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## Non-playing Captains for NZ International Bridge Teams

When NZ Bridge send teams to compete in international events, some non-playing officials are sent to act in various roles. In this case team captains. There will usually be a mix of playing captains who are selected firstly as players in the team and non-playing captains.

The non-playing captains will be selected for each international event from a pool of interested persons, in consultation with the team(s) they will be responsible for, the Chef de Mission and the selectors. This is an unpaid role, though actual and reasonable expenses to travel with the team to international events will be paid.

Suitable candidates may be past or current international players, though aspiring international players will be considered.

The ideal candidates will have the following attributes:

- Ability to work with players before events to oversee preparation
- Work with the team(s) at the event to arrange playing line-ups for each match
- Assist with scoring and agreement of scores with opposing captains
- Manage any disputes involving assigned teams/players, in association with the Chef de Mission and other captains, including making representations to match officials, attending appeal hearings and conveying the responses to the players.
- Take responsibility for team morale and team discipline
- Work collaboratively with the Chef de Mission and other team captains
- Report on team performance as a team, as partnerships and as individuals after events.

This is an equal opportunity situation, with a desire to choose the best people for the job.

Please supply details of your interest, including reasons why you should be considered to the Secretary of NZ Bridge by the closing date, which is Monday 5 December 2022. Details of interviews and appointments will be made after that time, but will not take place until team selections for 2023 are made.

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**Chair International Committee**