

SURFERS PARADISE BRIDGE CLUB

BEHAVIOUR PROTOCOL

Players to be seated ready to play 15 minutes prior to scheduled start of play.

Mobile phones to be switched off or switched to silent mode while play is in session.

Players are to maintain a courteous attitude at all times, and not make any remark or extraneous action that may cause annoyance or embarrassment to another player.

Players are not to make comments during the bidding, or play of a hand, which could influence the bidding or play of the hand.

Players not to vary the tempo of bidding or playing to disconcert an opponent, but should follow correct and uniform procedure in bidding and playing.

Players are not to indicate approval or disapproval of a bid or play.

Players are not to gloat over a good result

Any discussion about a hand must not be able to be heard at another table, and must not hold up play.

Players are not to leave the table without good cause, before the round is called.

A breach of this protocol shall in the first instance be addressed by calling the Director. After the Director has ascertained the facts and deems the matter serious enough, the Director may elect to impose a Procedural or Disciplinary Penalty. The initial Penalty should be half of a top at Matchpoints, and 3VP's at Imps. If such Penalty is imposed the Director shall also make a written report to the Management Committee.

If a player or the Director feels the issue has not been resolved satisfactorily, it is the Director's responsibility to ensure that the complaint is passed on to the Recorder. Complaints direct to the Management Committee will not be acted on until investigated by the Recorder.

The Recorder will investigate the complaint, and report the results of the investigation to the Management Committee. The Management Committee will then decide what action to take.