

New Laws On Contract Bridge Effective April 1st

The new set of contract bridge laws prepared by the Laws Committee of the Whist Club of New York, and the Laws Commission of the American Contract Bridge will go into effect April 1st.

There are very few new things, however, to learn to bring the player right up to the minute. Since the war itself, has increased the need for home recreation and has increased the interest in contract bridge the law makers decided to re-lease the new laws at this time.

The most important are given here:

New Bonus For Making Doubled Contract

The side that makes a double or redoubled contract may now add a 50-point bonus to its honor score. This bonus is always 50 points, whether doubled or redoubled and whether vulnerable or not. The laws in use prior to 1935 included a similar bonus. It has been restored to the scoring table to provide a more equitable balance between the penalties assessed when a doubled contract is defeated and the extra points gained by the contractors if the doubled contract is made.

The word "contractors" is another newcomer to the laws. It is the new official name for the declarer and his partner, hitherto called the "declarer's side." It will be remembered that the 1935 laws attempted to remove the opprobrium of the term "dummy" by suggesting that he be called "declarer's partner." Everybody went right on calling him the "dummy," however, and the term was appropriate because he not only

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look his part in the play, but had very few lawful opportunities even to take part in the conversation. The new laws give him additional rights.

New Rights For Dummies

He may call attention to any breach of law by any player, including a possible revoke by his opponents. If he has looked at another player's hand, however, he loses all rights. And he cannot warn declarer against leading out of wrong hand.

Lead Out of Turn

Next to the revoke, this is the offense that occurs most often in bridge games. Under the old laws, if a defender led out of turn, declarer could call a "lead" from the other defender. Now he may "require or forbid the lead of a special suit."

This means that, if a defender leads out of turn, declarer still may say to the other defender, "Please lead a spade." But also he may say, the defender may lead any of the "Please do not lead a spade." Then other suits. Among other advantages of this change is that the declarer never need put himself into a position where he would like to kick himself around the block for having called the one lead that would defeat him.

If a player now makes an insufficient bid—for example, bids "one diamond" over "one heart"—the next player may choose to "condone" it. Then the bid of one diamond stands without penalty, and the opponent may, if he wishes, bid "one heart" over it, even though this is the second time one heart has been bid.

"Only One Authorized C. Opponent." Under the new code, when any law of the game is broken, only the player at the left of the offender will have the right to demand a penalty or to condone the offense. The other opponent's sole privilege is to ask his partner he knows his rights and explains those rights if requested to do so.

Correction of Errors in Scoring. For the first time the 1943 laws make clear when and what may be done to correct a mistake in the score. A mistake in entering the score may be corrected at any time before the rubber score has been totaled and agreed upon. After that, the score stands no matter how wrong it is, with the sole exception that an error in addition or subtraction may be corrected at anytime before the game is over.

Inspecting Quitted Tricks The new code repeals the old unpopular "blue" law that said you had to pay your opponents 50 points if you looked back at a trick that had been turned. This law was always unpopular and practically never was enforced. Now you may look back at last trick, whether turned or not, until you and your partner lead or play the next trick. After that you may do so only with opponent's permission.

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BEFORE THE CLERK

Rev. Jasper Mainor, et als.,
Petitioners

vs.

Annie Mainor, et als., Respondents
NOTICE SUMMONS BY PUBLICA-TION

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And said Respondents will further take notice that they are required to appear at the office of the undersigned at Raeford, N. C., and answer or demur to said Petition within 10 days after completion of service of this summons by publication, or the Petitioners will apply for the relief demanded. Service will be completed on March 11th, 1943.

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