



Hong Kong, China Contract Bridge Association

Master Point System

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Master Point Objectives

Master points of the HKCBA are awarded to reflect the true worth of the players: their competitiveness, their achievements, and their participations. We have, therefore, divided the master points in 3 categories:

1. Placement Points (“PP”): *Should reflect the **competitiveness** of the players.*
2. Gold Points (“GP”): *Should reflect the **achievements** of the players.*
3. Black Points (“BP”): *Should reflect the **participations** of the players.*

Awards of PP & GP

To qualify for PP and GP, a player must have played at least 25% of the total number of boards required to play by his team/pair.

PP and GP shall be awarded for the final top 3 ranks of the tournament.

Tournament Type	PP	GP
Inter-city (Open Team & Open Pairs)	3,2,1	8,4,2
Inter-city (Others)	0	4,2,1
Tier 1 Tournaments (Open Team of Four & Open Pairs)	3,2,1	8,4,2
Tier 1 Tournaments (Open Series Trial)	3,2,1	6,3,2
Tier 1 Tournaments (non-Open Series Trial)	0	4,2,1
Tier 2 Tournaments (Year-Round)	0	6,3,2
Tier 2 Tournaments (non-Year-Round)	0	4,2,1
Tier 3 Tournaments	0	0

Awards of BP

Pairs Events

$$\text{BP} = \text{No. of boards} \times 0.1$$

Team of Four Events

$$\text{BP} = \text{No. of boards} \times 0.1 \times \frac{4}{\text{No. of team members}}$$

Team of Six Events

$$\text{BP} = \text{No. of boards} \times 0.1 \times \frac{6}{\text{No. of team members}}$$

BP shall be calculated and awarded, regardless sit-out, by the above formulas for:

- (i) each stage of each event; and/or
- (ii) each night of a year-round event.

Example 1

Open Team of Four Qualifying stage had 11 rounds with 8 boards per round.

A team with 6 players has finished the qualifying.

$$\text{BP for each player} = (11 \times 8) \times 0.1 \times \frac{4}{6} = 5.87$$

Example 2

YR MP Pairs had 26 boards in one of the nights.

Pair A played all 26 boards; Pair B sat out for a round and played only 24 boards.

$$\text{BP for each player of Pair A} = \text{BP for each player of Pair B} = 26 \times 0.1 = 2.60$$

Example 3

Invitational Team has 28 boards per night.

A team with 10 players has sent 4 players to play.

$$\text{BP for each of the 4 players that night} = 28 \times 0.1 \times \frac{4}{4} = 2.80$$

Award of Titles

Title	Required PP	Required GP	Required BP
National Grand Master	20	150	1,000
Grand Master	10	100	800
National Life Master	5	75	600
Life Master	0	50	400
Gold Master	0	25	150
Silver Master	0	10	100
Bronze Master	0	0	50
Master	0	0	20