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Attention: Club Secretary, and/or the Congress, Holiday and Cruise Convener

Note: Holidays/Cruises will be treated the same as congresses as far as Congress Licence Fees are concerned.

Following are the 2009 conditions for congress and holiday/cruise approval. Club Secretaries and Masterpoint Secretaries, please ensure that you are familiar with them and retain a copy for reference. This letter and the Congress, Holiday and Cruise Licence/Director's report form are available online at:

<http://www.nswba.com.au/tourn/convener.html>

1. The following should be sent to the NSW State Masterpoint Secretary within two weeks of the event:

a) Correct masterpoints for the event. These should be sent in an mp2 (or red) file, preferably by email to masterpoints@nswba.com.au or on a disk by post c/- NSWBA.

If there are any clubs still not scoring on a computer, they should send their hand scored results accompanied by the completed ABF Congress, State & National Awards form for processing.

b) Full and correct results for the event as set out below either emailed with the masterpoints or posted c/- NSWBA.

Pairs

Name and date of event.

Qualifying – number of tables, number of sessions, type of movement (Mitchell/Howell), and sessional placings.

Finals – number of tables in each section (Final, Plate, Consolations), number of sessions, type of movement for each section, final placings.

Teams

Name and date of event

Movement type (Swiss/Whist), number of tables, number of matches, number of boards/match, number of wins, final placings, team members.

For all events the ABF numbers of all players who earned masterpoints must be supplied.

c) A completed Licence Fee/Director's Report form (posted c/- NSWBA with the cheque).

d) A cheque for the Congress, Holiday/Cruise Licence Fee payable to the NSWBA (posted c/- NSWBA). If you require a tax invoice for GST purposes please indicate so on the Congress, Holiday and Cruise Licence/Director's Report form with your payment and it will be posted out to you.

2. The License fee rates for 2009 are the same as those for 2008. And again there will be a \$1 per table discount for payment within 14 days. This is designed to encourage clubs to sort out the congress results and licences promptly so they are not forgotten.

First 10 tables -- No Charge.

For tables 11+

	Payment within 14 days	Payment after 14 days
<200km from Sydney GPO	\$4.00/table/day	\$5.00/table/day
>200km from Sydney GPO	\$3.50/table/day	\$4.50/table/day

(includes GST)

3. A congress programme (flyer) should be sent to the NSWBA. The NSWBA will place any electronically received flyers, contacts etc. on our website.
4. The congress programme must contain the clauses “Conducted under the auspices of the NSWBA” and “the ABF has approved the issue of red masterpoints at level B4”.
5. Any system restrictions must be advertised in the programme.
6. The congress must be open to all players registered with the ABF, subject to the powers of the NSWBA and the club to control entries.
7. All advertised prizes must be awarded.
8. All congresses must be run under the control of a non-playing director and they must be accredited by the ABF at congress level or higher, or in some cases in country areas the NSW State Masterpoint Secretary can approve a Director.
9. Once all the requirements, both pre and post tournament have been met, allocation of red masterpoints at level B4 will be approved. If not familiar with the running of a congress, the NSWBA recommends you read section 5:1:1 to 5:1:3 of the ABF Masterpoint Scheme booklet. Also, feel free to contact the NSWBA if you have any queries.
10. If you wish to change the date of or cancel any Congress or Holiday/Cruise application must be made to the office of the NSWBA.
11. The NSW State Masterpoint Secretary for 2009 is David Weston. His contact details are as follows:

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