



## **WORLD BRIDGE FEDERATION**

**International Sport Federation (IF) recognized by the International Olympic Committee**

### **Matters for NBOs and players to note when considering transferring their eligible status from one country to another.**

- A. In most of the Zones, the Zonal Championship is very well defined, with National teams representing the countries that are then competing to qualify for the World Bridge Championships. Of the USBF and Canada, the US Trials are considered to be the Zonal Championship for this purpose.
- B. The WBF Credentials Committee will only examine requests forwarded officially by the NBOs. The players cannot request any change to their eligible status directly.
- C. The following must be taken into consideration:
  - a. Only the NBO staging the trials in which the player wishes to participate can decide whether or not to accept him/her. Each NBO may have specific laws, rules or regulations regarding the eligibility of players accepted to represent their country.
  - b. If the NBO decides to accept a player who is not a national of that country, the NBO must immediately contact the Zonal and/or the WBF Credentials Committee to ensure that the player will receive authorisation to play for this country.
  - c. Any authorisation given will be based NOT ONLY on the period of 2 years since the player's last participation for a different country, BUT also on the Bona Fide Residence requirements (resident's card, housing, paying taxes etc.)

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