



Recommended movements for teams

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Swiss: odd or even number

No of boards →	Up to 16 to18	About 20	About 24	About 28
No of Teams ↓	About 2 hours	About 2 ¼ hours	Just under 3 hours	About 3 ¼ hours
10 (**)	3 rounds of	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	4 rounds of
	5 boards (15)	5 boards (20)	6 boards (24)	7 boards (28)
11 (one 3-way)	3 rounds of 6 boards (18)	Seeleft	4 rounds of 6 boards (24)	4 rounds of 8 boards (32)
12	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	4 rounds of
	4 boards (16)	5 boards (20)	6 boards (24)	7 boards (28)
13 (one 3-way)	3 rounds of 6 boards (18)	Seeleft	4 rounds of 6 boards (24)	4 rounds of 8 boards (32)
14	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	5 rounds of
	4 boards (16)	5 boards (20)	6 boards (24)	6 boards (30)
15 (one 3-way)	3 rounds of 6 boards (18)	Seeleft	4 rounds of 6 boards (24)	4 rounds of 8 boards (32)
16	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	5 rounds of	5 rounds of
	4 boards (16)	5 boards (20)	5 boards (25)	6 boards (30)
17 (one 3-way)	4 rounds of	5 rounds of	4 rounds of	5 rounds of
	4 boards (16)	4 boards (20)	6 boards (24)	6 boards (30)
18	4 rounds of	4 rounds of	5 rounds of	5 rounds of
	4 boards (16)	5 boards (20)	5 boards (25)	6 boards (30)

	Rounds							
Teams	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
10	3.0	2.3	1.8	1.5	1.3	1.1	1.0	0.9
11	3.3	2.5	2.0	1.7	1.4	1.3	1.1	1.0
12	3.7	2.8	2.2	1.8	1.6	1.4	1.2	1.1
13	4.0	3.0	2.4	2.0	1.7	1.5	1.3	1.2
14	4.3	3.3	2.6	2.2	1.9	1.6	1.4	1.3
15	4.7	3.5	2.8	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.4
16	5.0	3.8	3.0	2.5	2.1	1.9	1.7	1.5
17	5.3	4.0	3.2	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.8	1.6
18	5.7	4.3	3.4	2.8	2.4	2.1	1.9	1.7
19	6.0	4.5	3.6	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.0	1.8
20	6.3	4.8	3.8	3.2	2.7	2.4	2.1	1.9
21	6.7	5.0	4.0	3.3	2.9	2.5	2.2	2.0
22	7.0	5.3	4.2	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.3	2.1

** In general the number of possible opponents should be at least 3 times the number of rounds (see the yellow boundary in the grid above). When this cannot be done, there is danger of "over Swissing". However, with a small number of teams this may not be possible.

When there are 3-ways/triples/triangles, it's best to have an even number of boards per round. Teams also play more opponents on average, because of the triple. For these reason, we suggest tending to have fewer rounds.

If the event is "club friendly" then the Tournament Director's objective may be to "play as many different teams as possible. In that case, it is better to play a Round Robin.

Round Robin: even number of teams

No of boards → No of Teams ↓	Up to 18 About 2 hours	About 20 About 2¼ hours	About 24 Just under 3 hours	About 28 About 3 ¼ hours
4	3 rounds of 6 boards (18)	3 rounds of 7 boards (21)	3 rounds of 8 boards (24)	3 rounds of 9 boards (27)
6	5 rounds of 3 boards (15)	5 rounds of 4 boards (20)	5 rounds of 5 boards (25)	5 rounds of 6 boards (30)
8	7 rounds of 2 boards (14)	7 rounds of 3 boards (21)	6 rounds of 4 boards (24) Partial Round Robin	7 rounds of 4 boards (28)
10	9 rounds of 2 boards (18)	9 rounds of 2 boards (18)	8 rounds of 3 boards (24) Partial Round Robin	9 rounds of 3 boards (27)
12	9 rounds of 2 boards (18) Partial Round Robin	10 rounds of 2 boards (20) Partial Round Robin	11 rounds of 2 boards (22)	10 rounds of 3 boards (30) Partial Round Robin
14	9 rounds of 2 boards (18) Partial Round Robin	10 rounds of 2 boards (20) Partial Round Robin	11 rounds of 2 boards (22) Partial Round Robin	13 rounds of 2 boards (26)
14				10 rounds of 3 boards (30) Partial Round Robin

Round Robin: Odd number of teams

No of boards → No of Teams ↓	Up to 18 About 2 hours	About 20 About 2¼ hours	About 24 Just under 3 hours	About 28 About 3 ¼ hours
9 (with a short sit out for some/all teams)	9 rounds of 2 boards (18)	See left	8 rounds of 3 boards (24) Partial Round Robin	9 rounds of 3 boards (27)
11 (with a short sit out for some/all teams)	9 rounds of 2 boards (18) Partial Round Robin	10 rounds of 2 boards (20) Partial Round Robin	11 rounds of 2 boards (22)	10 rounds of 3 boards (30) Partial Round Robin
13 (with a short sit out for some/all teams)	9 rounds of 2 boards (18) Partial Round Robin	10 rounds of 2 boards (20) Partial Round Robin	12 rounds of 2 boards (24) Partial Round Robin	13 rounds of 2 boards (26)
13 (with a short sit out for some/all teams) - Alternative				10 rounds of 3 boards (30) Partial Round Robin

Round Robin: Special case of 3, 5, 7 teams (run as "Swiss")

No of boards →	Up to 18	About 20	About 24	About 28
No of Teams ↓	About 2 hours	About 2¼ hours	Just under 3 hours	About 3¼ hours
3	2 rounds of	2 rounds of	2 rounds of	3 rounds of
Three-way	8 boards (16)	10 boards (20)	12 boards (24)	10 boards (30)
5	4 rounds of	See left or right	4 rounds of	4 rounds of
In each round	4 boards (16)		6 boards (24)	8 boards (32)
One x two-way	Load RealBridge special		Load RealBridge special	Load RealBridge special
One x three-way	config file*		config file*	config file*
7 Two x two-way One x three-way		See right	6 rounds of 4 boards (24) Load RealBridge special config file*	

^{*} RealBridge special config file = write to support@realbridge.online to ask for this