

New Plymouth Contract Bridge Club	
Title Appeals Policy	
Policy	<p>Introduction</p> <p>The requirements of NZ Bridge manual appendix 12 (Appeals) shall apply and that the appeals form page D77 shall be used.</p> <p>The Director has full authority to impose the appropriate penalties for infractions and to award adjusted scores for damage as a result of an opponent's infractions. Nevertheless, some rulings will require the Director to exercise their bridge judgement. In doing so, Directors will always resolve any doubt they may have in favour of the non-offending side.</p> <p>Reasons to appeal</p> <p>Players may appeal against a Director's ruling when</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The facts are in dispute, or b) The innocent party believes that they have not gained an equitable adjustment for damage suffered through an opponent's infraction, or c) The offending side believes that the Director has erred in the application of the Law or their bridge judgement. <p>Although the Appeals Committee may exercise all the powers assigned by the Law to the Director, it is bound by the Director's interpretation of the Law. Also it may not rescind or vary a disciplinary penalty assessed by the Director. The Appeals Committee is the final arbiter in rulings that required the Director to exercise their bridge judgement, or rulings that required the Director to resolve disputed facts.</p> <p>Time frames</p> <p>An appeal must be lodged no later than 15 minutes after the end of play for the session or 15 minutes after the Director has advised the parties of the ruling being appealed, whichever is the later. Both members of the pair appealing must consent. If a party elects not to attend, the Committee can proceed in that party's absence</p>
Reference	NZBA Manual
Responsibility	M & G Committee
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