

New Plymouth Contract Bridge Club	
Title	Late Arrivals
Policy	<p><b>Objective</b></p> <p>To prepare the room optimally for the number of tables in play and avoid late start of play. Late play causes difficulty and delay for Directors and inconvenience for players who may need to move tables.</p> <p><b>Club Rule</b> (As stated in the annual programme book)</p> <p>Players are required to be seated by:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">6:50 pm evening sessions 12:50 pm day sessions</p> <p>ie 10 minutes prior to the session commencing</p> <p><b>Definition:</b></p> <p>Late arrival is defined as a player or pair arriving at the club after the above times. Late arrival should be due to an unplanned event or situation.</p> <p><b>Director's action:</b></p> <p>A. One or both members of a pair arriving late <b>with</b> prior notice of this Room can be set up in anticipation of the arrival of the player or pair.</p> <p>B. One or both members of a pair arriving late <b>without</b> prior notice of this cannot normally play. However, the late pair may be permitted to play if a phantom would be eliminated.</p>
Responsibility:	Match and Grading Committee
Date	Reviewed February 2025