

CHEATING

Message to all those playing online on CBAI BBO platform to be communicated to all players

Show it to your Partners & friends !

Because of the prevalence of unethical & dishonest behaviour by a small minority of online bridge players, the CBAI has asked club's / TD's to remind you about requirements for ethical behaviour at all times. There are daily reports of people perceived to be deliberately CHEATING when playing online. All players should be in no doubt that the CBAI is taking this issue extremely seriously and there will be consequences for anyone found to be cheating.

Club TD's or Online Managers are being asked to make all players aware of what actions are acceptable and those which are definitely not. - e.g. providing explanations in the chat area for partner to see as well as the opponents is NOT acceptable - Only the ALERT area should be used to explain bids.

When playing on the CBAI platform, Players are asked to note the following :

1	All players should enter their real names in their user profile. Preferably enter both name but a minimum of your first name is required
2	All players should be friendly and greet their opponents politely
3	Use the explanation box in the bidding area to explain your bids - Not the table chat

Whether you are playing in your local friendly club or a national competition or representing your country you must adhere to the international laws of bridge

CHEATING IS CHEATING WHETHER ONLINE OR IN A FACE-TO-FACE GAME AND IT WILL BE SUBJECT TO THE SAME DISCIPLINARY PROCESSES, THE SAME SANCTIONS AND THE SAME POSSIBILITY OF BEING NAMED PUBLICLY IF CONVICTED

Those who have concerns about the actions of another CBAI Member or player should raise them with the TD or Online Manager and should not make public accusations or insinuations on social media or anywhere else

Please Note

A	Self-Kibitzing	THIS IS CHEATING
B	Having another person kibitz and pass on info to you	THIS IS CHEATING
C	Phoning/contacting partner or another player during play	THIS IS CHEATING
D	Communicating with partner in the same house / room	THIS IS CHEATING
E	Showing your hand asking for a lead or suggesting bids	THIS IS CHEATING

Consequences

The TD or BBO Online Club Manager is required to forward details of any unethical behaviour to CBAI Head Office, who will undertake a full investigation of any alleged wrongdoing

If unethical behaviour is proven, the players will face suspension or expulsion from the CBAI and notification of same to International Bridge Organisations

