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2010 CONGRESS DIRECTOR EXAM

PAPER 2 – LAWS AND REGULATIONS

INSTRUCTIONS

- ◆ Please use black or blue pen.
- ◆ Answer all questions on the exam paper. Add pages if insufficient space.
- ◆ All answers require at least one Law Reference Number unless stated otherwise
- ◆ Time allowed is flexible but 3 hours should be sufficient.
- ◆ Candidates may refer to the 2007 Laws, the QBA Regulations and one other piece of reference material except for sets of answers from past papers.

“You” means you as the director. In some of the situations described it would be usual for you to consult with others. As this is not possible you should base your ruling on your own judgement.

To pass this exam, candidates must show a thorough understanding of all the laws, with particular reference to the more difficult areas.

QUESTION ONE

- (a) A player calls you and says that they are being distracted by the presence of a spectator. They ask you to have the spectator move away but the spectator says, "I'm not doing anything. I'm just sitting here." Do you ask the spectator to move? Why?

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- (b) Immediately after the completion of the auction below, East calls you and says that they didn't mean to pass. Away from the table they say that 3C shows an invitational hand with at least 4 hearts and that after some thought they had decided that 3H was high enough, but passed instead of converting to 3H. What is your ruling?

| NORTH | EAST | SOUTH | WEST |
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| | 1H | 2C | 3C |
| Pass | Pass | Pass | |

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QUESTION TWO

- (a) During a barometer movement Pair 16 arrive a little late to sit North South at Table 5 only to find Pair 8 already sitting there, and in the process of bidding the first hand. The auction had reached this stage:

| NORTH | EAST | SOUTH | WEST |
|----------------|--------------|-------|------|
| 1♣ (Precision) | 1H (Natural) | | |

What do you do? Pair 8 are supposed to be North South at Table 3.

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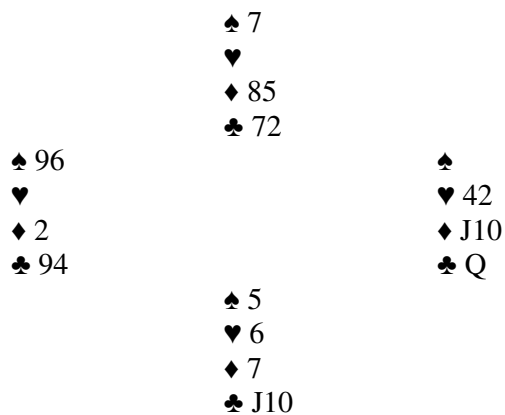
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QUESTION FIVE

East is declarer in 6NT and has already lost one trick with the remaining cards as in the diagram below. After winning Trick 8 in their own hand they call for the ♠9 from the dummy and North plays the ♠7. East now claims by saying, “I have another spade trick in dummy and then I’m playing the ♦2 to my ♦J and cashing my ♦10 and ♣Q. Making 12.”



North/South initially agree, but then South calls you over for a ruling because they realize that declarer had actually won trick 8 in their own hand and then led to Trick 9 from the wrong hand. What do you do? Give your reasons.

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QUESTION SIX

Board 12
 Dir: W
 Vul: NS

♠ Q10985
 ♥ A4
 ♦ 62
 ♣ AJ87

♠ J76
 ♥ Q7
 ♦ J95
 ♣ Q10642

♠ 32
 ♥ J1085
 ♦ AQ1074
 ♣ 93

♠ AK4
 ♥ K9632
 ♦ K83
 ♣ K5

3♣ was alerted and explained to East on request as a singleton or void.

NS had agreed to play Jacoby 2NT, but South incorrectly believes they are also playing it after interference. According to their system, South is showing a balanced 10-12 HCP with a diamond stopper, and North's 3♣ is natural and non-forcing.

| | NORTH | EAST | SOUTH | WEST |
|--|-------|------|-------|----------|
| | 1♠ | 2♦ | 2NT | Pass |
| | 3♣ | Pass | 4NT | Pass |
| | 5♥ | Pass | 6♠ | All Pass |

Responses show Keycards in the agreed suit or the last named and are 5♣: 0 or 3 Keycards
 5♦: 1 or 4 Keycards
 5♥: 2 Keycards no trump Queen
 5♠: 2 Keycards with trump Queen

4NT is Roman Keycard Blackwood 03/14.

East leads the ♦A and then the ♣9. Declarer makes 12 tricks. East calls you at the end of the hand to say that they would not have led the ♣9 to Trick 2 if they hadn't been told that North held a singleton or void in clubs. They said they would have led the ♥J. Have North and South both acted ethically? What is your opinion and your ruling? Give your reasons.

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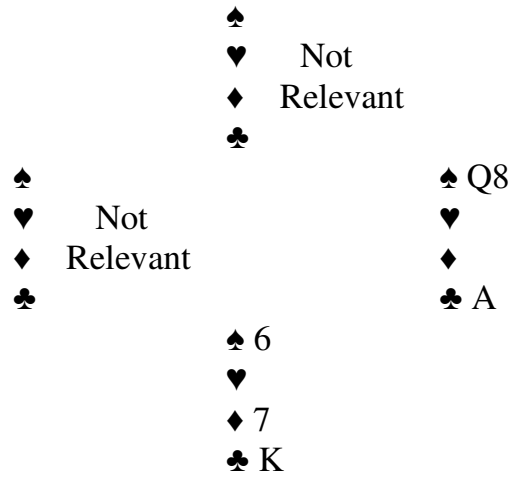
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QUESTION SEVEN

(a) Declarer South is on lead in a contract of 3NT, and has won 9 of the first 10 tricks, and the remaining cards in each hand are as below:



As South ponders the lead to Trick 11, East puts their remaining cards face up on the table with a flourish. Although East says nothing they clearly believe they will win the last 3 tricks, although it appears that they have forgotten that South has the boss diamond. South calls you and asks if they can nominate that East discard the ♣A on their ♦7 so that South wins 11 tricks. What is your ruling?

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(b) A spectator who has no connection to any player at the table gasps loudly as West (a defender) fails to follow suit and West now notices his revoke before it is established. What do you do?

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QUESTION NINE

After consulting with other directors, you have ruled “no adjustment” to a table score of 1660 for 6SX making 12 tricks. Both pairs at that table accept your ruling and although reminded of their rights to appeal have stated that they do not wish to appeal. Another pair, who will be pushed out of first place because of this result, announce that they wish to appeal your ruling? What do you think about this?

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QUESTION TEN

East, an inexperienced player, is declarer in 4H. North has the ♦5 as a major penalty card and South has the ♣8 as a major penalty card. North wins Trick 9 and pushes out the ♦5 as their lead to Trick 10.

East says, “I don’t want you to lead that card,” and North says, “I have to lead it. It’s a major penalty card.” Play continues. East makes only 9 tricks and finally you are called to the table for the first time.

Do you do anything about it? Detail the reasons for your decision.

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QUESTION ELEVEN

- (a) South is dealer but East opens 2H. As soon as you reach the table South announces that they do not accept the bid. 2H shows two suits of the same rank. What is your ruling?

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(b) East is able to show a spade suit in the subsequent legal auction. South becomes declarer in 5D. What lead restrictions, if any, are offered to South?

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QUESTION TWELVE

Dummy's spade holding is ♠73. The lead to Trick 9 is from dummy and declarer South calls for the ♠5. East plays the ♠10 without looking at the dummy. As declarer is about to play a card, North says, "There isn't a ♠5 in dummy. What card do you want?"

After some thought, declarer calls for the ♦8. What is your ruling?

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QUESTION THIRTEEN

Alerted promptly. North asks at their turn and is told that 2D shows both Majors (at least 5/4) with 8+ HCP

Board 17
Dlr: N
Vul: Nil

After the good spade raise 4D shows a first round diamond control in the real EW system.

♠ AQJ
♥ AJ3
♦ Q105
♣ J1093

♠ K652
♥ 4
♦ K76
♣ KQ754

♠ 743
♥ KQ872
♦ AJ984
♣

♠ 1098
♥ 10965
♦ 32
♣ A862

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|-------|------|-------|
| NORTH | EAST | SOUTH |
| 1NT | 2D | Pass |
| Pass | 4D | Pass |
| Pass | Pass | Pass |

WEST
3S
5D

3S shows spade support and serious interest in game.

In the real EW system 5D denies a first round heart or club control and shows a second round diamond control.

South leads the ♣A and East makes 11 tricks.

NS are unhappy. They say East was looking very uncomfortable when West described 2D as both majors and dithered a lot before bidding 4D.

East says they woke up immediately they had written 2D that they had the system wrong and believed that they was doing the right thing by repeating one of their suits.

West says, "We've changed our system. Partner has forgotten twice already."

In the old system (when 2D showed D+H) 3S would be a good hand with 5+ spades and no interest in diamonds or hearts.

What is your ruling? Give your reasons.

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