

SUBSTITUTES IN MAJOR EVENTS

1. The Director is authorized to permit any substitute provided that the substitute is of equivalent standard to the player for whom the substitute is sought.
Equivalent standard means that degree of equivalence where the ability of the substituting partner/pair is not significantly higher than that of the substituted partner/pair. In determining the degree of equivalence, masterpoint rank need not be the determining factor and the relative experience of the partners and players should be taken into account.
2. A visitor may act as a substitute in Club events with the exceptions of the Club Pairs and Teams Championships.
3. A player who acts as a substitute in a club event cannot compete in his/her own right in the event
4. A player may not act as a substitute more than once in a Club event with the exception of the Padman Trophy
5. A player intending to use a substitute must advise the Director prior to the commencement of the session, in order to allow sufficient time for the determination of equivalent standard, which should be explained if required.

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