

About Projected Pairings and See TD

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If you are in the tournament, you are **ALWAYS OBLIGATED** to show for every round, **Unless** you request a Bye for that round **before 7:15 PM** of the night of play

The Bye request must appear on the Roster next to your name

We go by what is on the Roster, nothing else

I. Projected Pairings are always a “best guess”

- It is based on what players have told us about their planning to Not play, that is, taking a Bye.
- Players may change their minds **up to 7:15 PM** on Wednesdays.
- Project pairings may be updated several times a day ending about 6 pm on Wednesdays.
- Parings are **NOT automatically** updated
- The only time we know the real pairings is at the club **after 7:15 PM**.

II. See TD

- Means that the player is **currently projected** to **NOT** be paired

III. Who Gets Paired Out

When there are an odd number of players in a section:

- The lowest rated player with the least points;
 - Who has not already been Paired out, in this event
 - Can only be paired out once per event

IV. What if there are people paired out from both sections?

- We ask the players if they would like to play each other.
 - One or both may prefer not to play.
 - If they play, they can agree to play a rated or not rated game.

V. Uncertainty – I Don’t want to show up and not get a game

- Everyone, including you, can change their mind about playing until **7:15 PM** on Wednesday.
 - Setting the deadline earlier is not practical
 - Final pairings cannot be determined until **after 7:15 PM**.
- You may not want to risk traveling to the club to discover you will have no one to play.
 - Your final decision must be made by 7:15 pm on Wednesday night.
 - You must “**Request a Bye**” for the round on the Roster page to tell us
 - You must update the Roster to show your Bye.
 - No text, email or call can be done.
- Taking a half-point bye to avoid getting paired out **is no assurance** you won’t be projected to be paired out again in the same event.
- Some people bring something chess-wise to study and stay and watch the games in progress for a while.