

## SABF TRIALS 2026

We are inviting entries to 4 sections, Open, Women's, Mixed and Senior trials. **Please enter on the SABF website [www.sabf.co.za](http://www.sabf.co.za)**

### Eligibility:

1. South African citizens or permanent residents.
2. Fully paid up members of SABF in good standing.
3. Senior players must have achieved the age of 65 in 2026 to be eligible.
4. Trialists who are not successful in the Open or Women's Events, may enter the Mixed or Senior Events.
5. Successful trialists are expected to make themselves available to participate in the African Zonal Championships in September 2026 and, if successful, to participate in the World bridge Federation events in 2027.

### Format

1. Pairs trials will be held face-to-face with cross-imping provided that at least 8 pairs enter. The top 3 pairs will qualify to represent SA in the ABF zonal.
2. If 11 or more pairs enter, there will be qualifying round robin and the top 8 pairs will play a final round robin.
3. Approximately 240 boards will be played.
4. If fewer than 8 pairs enter, a knockout teams event will be held.
5. **Rules and regulations** will be published on the SABF website and players are urged to become familiar with these prior to the event.

### Dates

**Open/Women's trials:** 3 May – 9 May **Senior/ Mixed trials :** 17 May – 23 May

### Venues

1. Open and Women's trials will be held in Johannesburg, face-to-face.
2. Mixed and Senior trials will be held in Cape Town, face-to-face.

### Closing dates for entries

Open and Women's: 22 April 2026

Mixed and Senior's: 12 May 2026

**Entry Fee** R2400 per pair must be paid upfront to the following account

SABF

Nedbank current account number 1777000327

Reference: Name SABF no. Trials 2026

The SABF reserves the right to not send teams if the entry to trials is poor.

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