

EBU panel TD ranks

This table aims to give a rough idea of what various ranks of TD should be able to do, or which events they might run, as a guide to helping you decide whether you think you are ready for promotion. If you do think you would like to apply for promotion, please contact either the Chief TD or the Chair of the TDDG. There are no quotas or vacancies – TDs are promoted when they indicate they would like promotion and demonstrate they are suitable. In all instances the qualities needed are additional to those required at lower levels.

Flexibility is important, and so you could find yourself in charge of something that is indicated below as appropriate for someone of a higher rank. If you do, and think you have done a good job, it might well indicate to you that it is the right time to think about applying for promotion.

Since the flourishing of online bridge brought on by the COVID pandemic, all new TDs and those looking for promotion are expected to be familiar with online bridge as well as face-to-face, and willing to work in both types of event as necessary.

Rank	Should be able to	Might be in charge of	Qualities needed
Congress	Run & score a section of a match-pointed pairs event Work as part of a team running a Swiss Pairs, Swiss Teams, or multiple-team event Score a Swiss Pairs event Score a Swiss Teams event & run a triangle.	A one-day event by yourself (eg Portland Pairs, Masters Pairs) A one-day event with other(s) below you. A section of a larger event	Teamwork Ability to follow orders Judgement (which would be expected to continue developing with each promotion) Initiative Attention to detail
Senior	Organise & run a large event, with a number of TDs under you Set up events in the appropriate scoring program Set up online events	An event running over several days A large section of an event with several others working under you	Organisation Leadership
National	Organise and run a large congress containing several events, with a number of TDs working under you	The largest and most complex events, with several components	Problem-solving Good communication with players & colleagues Public Relations