

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITIONS

1. GENERAL COMPETITION RULES

- a. Players must enter the competition in the Professional's Shop via the terminal and obtain a scorecard. The terminal will issue a handicap printout to place on the card, which shows the players Handicap Index (HI), Course Handicap (CH) for the day and Playing Handicap (PH) for the day's competition.
If the terminal is not in operation the Pro will sign players into the competition of the day, but players will be responsible for completing their Hi, CH and PH.
- b. **Players must ensure their scores are entered into the Clubhouse computer or via the App by the end of the competition day. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.**
- c. Please ensure your scorecard is completed, signed and returned it to the Committee by the end of competition day via the drop box between the 19th and 20th. Failure to do so may result in disqualification. Once entered into the drop box the card is deemed to be returned to the Committee and the card cannot be retrieved or amended. **All competition cards must be returned to the Committee even if the score is entered on the App, or if it is an N/R due to injury.**
- d. Any General Play / Handicap cards need to be returned to the Professional's Shop and NOT via the drop box (it is useful to take a photo of the card on your phone until it is processed). If you have used the App to enter your score and it has been verified electronically by your playing partner, you do NOT need to return your card.
- e. Players must ensure their score is recorded for each hole, even in the event of a nil return. Please ensure when entering nil return that you select the correct option – No Score at Hole.
- f. Scorecards must be signed by both the Marker and Player. Failure to do so will result in disqualification from the competition – electronic signatures on the app are acceptable BUT please help your committee and sign the card as well.
- g. Full details of each competition will be advised in advance and is available on the website.
- h. Competitions in which ladies and gents may enter, the V1 & WHS systems will apply an appropriate course rating and playing handicap adjustment. If a manual adjustment is required e.g. Mixed Greensomes, then the Golf Committee will endeavor to arrange this before play but reserves the right to undertake it post play.
- i. Failure to comply / consistent breach of the general competition rules, may result in sanctions being considered.

2. GENERAL DAY TO DAY COMPETITIONS

Tuesday Competitions

- a. Ladies and gents may enter.
- b. Gents scores to be merged into the divisions.
- c. Gents cannot enter in Lady Captain's Day and cannot win ladies' honours board trophies.

Wednesday/ Thursday Midweek Medal & Stableford Competitions

- a. Ladies and gents may enter.
- b. Ladies scores to be merged into the divisions. (Div1: up to and including PH15, Div2: PH16 and above).
- c. The division winners & the ladies' best score will qualify for the Donald Woodcock Trophy final.

Saturday Competitions

- a. Ladies and gents may enter.
- b. The three divisions are: Div1: up to and including PH 10, Div2: PH 11 to 18, Div3: PH 19 and above.
- c. Ladies' scores to be merged into the three divisions.
- d. Ladies cannot enter Captain's or President's Day and cannot win gents' honours board trophies (with the exception of winter league).
- e. Where entry is permitted, ladies are eligible to win prize vouchers.

Sunday Medal & Stableford Competitions

- a. Ladies and gents may enter.
- b. Ladies scores to be merged into the two divisions. (Div1: up to and including PH 15, Div2: PH 16 and above.)

3. KNOCKOUT COMPETITION RULES

- a. All players have equal responsibility in arranging suitable dates. Players must check course availability via BRS or the Professional. Players are able to book a time ahead of normal booking availability via the Professional.
- b. If a mutually convenient date cannot be agreed, the player/team on the first tee at 6pm on the final 'play by date' will go through.
- c. Both players/teams will be disqualified if the tie is not decided by the 'play by date'.
- d. Discontinuance of play; as per rules of golf.
- e. It is the responsibility of the winner to enter the result of the match in the V1 system.
- f. All queries regarding 'play by dates' should be directed to the Handicaps & Competitions Committee Chairperson, or in their absence, the Club Captain.
- g. No extensions to 'play by dates' will be allowed.

4. GENERAL CLUB RULES & RULES OF GOLF REMINDERS

- a. To be eligible to win a trophy, you must have submitted three 18-hole competition scores in the previous 12 months. The competitions affected by this rule are those on the Electronic Honours Board. Players who don't meet the above criteria can still enter competitions, win twos prizes and win positional prize money (including the first prize), but can't win the trophy.
- b. When booking to play in a competition you are making a commitment to play and to your playing partners. Circumstances change, so if you must remove yourself from the booking, please be aware of how this affects your playing partners. A phone call to them may help, as would an early decision. This is particularly relevant in Team/Pairs competitions when someone may be left unable to compete or two players stuck in the middle of two four-balls.
- c. When booking into a Saturday competition you have until 5.30 on Friday to scratch, otherwise you will be charged the entry fee. PLEASE try to scratch as early as possible during the week. Repeated late cancellation may result in further sanctions.
- d. On the day, once you have entered a 'qualifying' competition, you MUST return a score for WHS purposes, unless you have an illness/injury or emergency or the competition is cancelled.
- e. If you have an illness/injury or emergency please mark your card accordingly and return it as normal. Input your scores into the system using the option 'Did Not Play' for holes after you ceased playing.
- f. White and Blue Tees are competition ONLY i.e. designated White/Blue Tee Competitions, be they monthly Medal/Stableford or KO's. Any other use of the White/Blue Tees is not allowed unless permission is expressly given by the Captain, for example in an Inter Club competition.

5. PENALTIES FOR A COMPETITION NON-ATTENDANCE

The objective of this policy is to encourage Members to be respectful of the Tee Booking Procedures and of other Members who may have been unable to secure a Tee Time or who may be left without a playing partner.

If a Member is unable to attend at their competition Tee Time, then the Member must, in advance of their Tee Time, either:

- a. Remove themselves from the competition start sheet on the BRS booking system, if still open; or

- b. 2. Contact the Professional Shop to request to be removed from the competition start sheet on the BRS booking system or the Manual start sheet as applicable.

For Club Drawn competitions, which typically have a Manual Start Sheet, one clear day's notice of withdrawal (i.e. by Thursday close, for a Saturday competition) must be given to allow time for replacement / re-arrangement to be made.

In the event that a Member does not adhere to the above procedure then they may be subject to sanction. Incidents will be dealt with at the next Golf Committee Meeting where mitigation will be considered and a possible sanction imposed.

Sanctions for Honours Board Competitions (April-October)

- a. First occurrence: One competition suspension;
- b. Second occurrence: Two competition suspension;
- c. Third occurrence: Three competition suspension etc.

Non-Honours Board Competitions (April-October)

- a. Three no-shows will be tolerated per calendar year;
- b. No-show incidents to be communicated to the offender; and
- c. After three no-shows the Member will be subject to the "Honours Board Competitions" sanction regime.

The Member must:

- a. Advise any mitigating factors to the Golf Committee Chairman within 48 hours of the competition date; and
- b. Provide appropriate evidence when required.

Suspensions commence for competitions dated eight days following the Golf Committee Meeting. All suspensions will be imposed for competitions held on the same day of the week as the competition(s) not attended.

This policy applies during the Season, from April to October. However, Members are requested to apply the same procedures during the Winter Season, although the sanction regime will not apply during this period.

These rules are not definitive but are prepared to try and help everyone to get the best experience from their golf.

The Rules of golf, Local Rules, Rules of Handicapping and as appropriate Winter Rules always apply.