

Nottinghamshire County Ladies' Golf Association General Conditions of Competition and General Advice

General Conditions of Competition

The following Conditions of Competition, with any additions or amendments published by the NCLGA on the relevant entry form or at the golf course, will apply to all NCLGA championships and tournaments ("competitions").

References to the "Committee" are to the committee appointed for the purposes of the relevant competition (three to form a quorum).

1. Local Rules;

The NCLGA has adopted the following local rules to apply in all the competitions under its jurisdiction:

Distance measuring devices

A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a <u>stipulated round</u>, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect her play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3."

Accidental Movement of a Ball on a Putting Green

Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1 are modified as follows:

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.

This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced.

Any additional local rules applicable to a competition will be notified to players before the start of their stipulated rounds.

2. Caddies

In ladies' competitions there are no restrictions on the use of caddies. In junior competitions caddies are not allowed. (Exception: In some Junior events caddies under 18 years of age are allowed – See relevant Junior Competition Rules)



PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: See Rules of Golf, page 157.

3. Transportation

The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf (pages 159-160) is in effect: players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Committee.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: See Rules of Golf, page 160.

4. Conforming driver heads and golf balls

The specimen Conditions in the Rules of Golf, pages 154 and 155 (1a and b), are in effect. Note: Updated lists of conforming driver heads and balls are available on the R&A's website (www.randa.org).

5. Practice (Rule 7-1)

Match play: On any day of a Match Play Competition, a player may practice on the course before a round, but only if allowed by the Golf Club where the match is being played. When a match is completed, no further holes in that match may be played. N.B. The Mixed Inter-Club, and other Mixed events, including the County Handicap Final, are run by the NUGC and the Rules and Conditions of the NUGC operate at these events so differences may apply.

Stroke Play: A competitor must not practice on the Competition course or test the surface of the putting green by rolling a ball or roughening or scraping the surface before or between rounds. Penalty: Disqualification.

N.B. All recognised practice areas within the bounds of the course may be used by players on any day of a competition.

6. Time of starting (Rule 6-3)

All players in a group must be present and ready to play at the time established by the Committee and should report to the starter at least five minutes before their start time.

7. <u>Suspension of play due to a dangerous situation</u> (Note to Rule 6-8b)

The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf (page 158) is in effect, i.e. when the klaxon sounds, play must be discontinued immediately.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: Disqualification.

Note: A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signalled by one prolonged note of klaxons. Other suspensions will be signalled by three consecutive notes of klaxons.

8. Inclement weather

If, in the opinion of the Committee, it becomes impossible to complete a competition in accordance with that competition's Conditions because of adverse weather or other



circumstances, the Committee may vary the Conditions to the extent necessary to achieve a result within the time allowable.

9. Referees

When referees are available at competitions, they are present to assist players when any dispute or doubt arises during a stipulated round. In these circumstances the referee's decision is final. In the absence of a referee, any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules must be referred to the Committee.

10. <u>Returning score card</u> A player's score card is deemed officially returned to the Committee when the player has left the recording area.

Note: Players must promptly return their score cards to the recorder.

11. Results: competition closed

Match play: The result of a match is deemed officially announced when it has been recorded by the recorder.

Stroke play: The results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition is closed.

12. Committee

Disputes and other matters relating to a competition will be settled by the Competition Committee, whose decision will be final. The Committee to comprise of the Competition Secretary, the Assistant Competition Secretary and the County Captain, or their representatives on the day.

General Advice

Dress code

The NCLGA requires playing members to comply with the dress code of the golf club where the competition is being played.

<u>Mobile phones</u> (including pagers and similar devices) may not be used on the course by players or caddies for making/sending or receiving calls or texts except (i) in cases of emergency or (ii) to request the assistance of a referee.

Medical conditions

It is important that any entrant who suffers from a condition which may require urgent medical attention (e.g. asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, heart condition, allergy to bee or wasp stings, etc.) notifies an officer of the NCLGA with regard to the steps to be taken in the event of an attack.



Loss and theft

Neither the NCLGA nor any golf club at which a competition takes place accepts any responsibility for the loss or theft of a player's golf equipment or personal effects and players are advised to carry adequate insurance cover.

APPENDIX

NOTTS COUNTY LADIES' GOLF ASSOCIATION

COMPETITION RULES

- 1. All competitions are run under the R&A Rules of Golf, the NCLGA General Conditions of Competitions and NCLGA Local Rules.
- 2. Players shall, in all of the Competitions listed below, and additionally in NCLGA league matches, walk the course at all times, unless prior permission has been granted by the Committee to use a buggy. An exception applies to those competitors aged 80 years or over participating in the Summer Meeting and Veterans Trophy.
- 3. No player shall take more than one prize (excluding cups).
- 4. Ties will be decided on the last 18, 9, 6 or 3 holes (dependent on the Competition).
- 5. Competitors must be female at birth or have the female gender assigned.
- 6. All competitors must be a member of the Association. (Associate Members may play in all NCLGA Competitions except the County Championship and County Matches).
- 7. Handicap Limit at date of entry
- 8. In case of withdrawal, entry fees will not be returned once the draw has been made.
- 9. A player takes the vouchers (however many) if they win Cups and Trophies. They cannot take a voucher if there is no Cup/Trophy and they have already won a voucher.



TROPHIES

County Championship & Spring Meeting

36 Holes Championship & Qualifying rounds	8 best gross scores to qualify
18 Hole Spring Meeting	18 holes stroke play
Challenge Cup	36 holes scratch
Josephine Bright Cup	36 holes handicap
Stacia Scrimshire Cup	36 holes scratch – 21 years and under
18 Holes Scratch Cup	Morning round
18 Holes Handicap Cup	Morning round
18 Holes Scratch Salver	Afternoon round
18 Holes Handicap Salver	Afternoon round
Spencer Watson Shield	Won by Club whose members return 4
	lowest gross scores over 36 holes

Coronation Cups

In pairs 18 Holes Better Ball Stableford

Summer Meeting & Veterans Trophy

Summer Meeting

Jubilee Bowl	Best 18 holes scratch
Jubilee Bowl	Best 18 holes handicap
Cavendish Bentinck Challenge Bowl	1 st round of aggregate scratch at
	Summer and Autumn meetings
Handicap Challenge Bowl	1 st round of aggregate handicap
	at Summer and Autumn
	meetings

Veteran's Trophy (55 years and over)

Scratch Cup	18 holes scratch
Challenge Cup	18 holes handicap
Dorothy Payne Cup	18 holes handicap 70 years of age and over



Autumn Meeting

Challenge Bowl	18 holes scratch
Challenge Bowl	18 holes handicap
Cavendish Bentinck Challenge Cup	Best aggregate scratch at Summer and
	Autumn meetings
Handicap Challenge Cup	Best aggregate handicap at Summer and
	Autumn meetings
Jubilee Shield	Club whose members return 4 lowest
	nett scores
Notts. Coronation Medals	Best Silver and Bronze division nett
	scores

PLEASE SEE INTER-CLUB AND LEAGUE GENERAL AND DETAILED RULES IN THE NCLGA REGULATIONS AND RULES