

## Terms of Competitions (Ladies)

The following Ladies' Club Terms of Competition shall be deemed to have been made subject to, and in accordance with Section 7.6 of Dooks Golf Club Constitution.

The following terms under which competitions are to be played have been drawn up by the Ladies Committee. Members are advised to know and comply with them.

### 1. Rules of Golf

1.1. The Rules of Golf as approved by R & A Rules Limited and the U.S.G.A. in addition to Local Rules as made and published by the Ladies' Committee shall apply to all competitions. Players should familiarise themselves with these rules.

### 2. Eligibility

2.1. Only players who meet the eligibility rules for certain competitions, as laid down by the Ladies Committee, may enter those competitions. (This Committee may waive restrictions in certain circumstances).

2.2. Junior Members are eligible to play in the Lady Captain's Prize, Captain's Prize or President's Prize but are ineligible to win first prize.

2.3. Lady Captain's Prize: All fully paid-up Ordinary Lady Members with a full current handicap are eligible to play but to win the competition the member must have returned three completed competition cards from qualifying 18 hole and/or 9 hole competitions in Dooks Golf Club within the 12 months preceding the competition (unless the Committee decides otherwise).

2.4. President's Prizes: All fully paid-up Ordinary Lady Members with a full current handicap are eligible to play but to win the competition the member must have returned three completed competition cards from qualifying 18 hole and/or 9 hole competitions in Dooks Golf Club within the 12 months preceding the competition.

2.5. All fully paid-up members with a full current handicap are eligible to play and win all other competitions (other than Majors).

### 3. Motorised Buggies

3.1. Motorised golf buggies may only be used with the permission of the Ladies' Committee and provided the player is in possession of a current medical certificate of disability.

3.2. If using own buggy, a copy of the relevant insurance certificate must also be submitted.

3.3. The buggy may only be used by the person named on the certificate and may carry only her equipment and caddy. (Penalty for breach - Disqualification).

### 4. Entry

4.1. To enter a competition, a player **must** ensure that, **before** starting to play;

4.1.1. Her card has been swiped or number inputted **and**

4.1.2. Her identifiable competition entry fee has been paid.

4.2. When competitions are designated 'prepaid', entry fee must be paid in advance in order to secure booking.

4.3. A minimum number of 15 entries are required to constitute a competition for prize purposes.

4.3.1. Should only one player enter the competition her score must be recorded and count for handicap.

4.4. Players may play in more than one competition on any day providing they are in the same format and only one of the competitions is a qualifying competition.

## 5. Cancellation of competitions

5.1 A competition will be cancelled, by agreement of a minimum of 4 members of the ladies committee, if:

- (a) the course is closed,
- (b) it is deemed unsafe to play for health and safety reasons (e.g. adverse weather conditions).

## 6. Times of Starting (Rule 5-3)

6.1. The player shall start:

6.1.1. At the time laid down by the Committee, or if permitted by them:

6.1.2. At the time reserved on the advance time sheet.

6.2. Players shall not compete in a competition prior to the official start time, unless with advance permission from the Committee.

6.3. Players shall not compete in a competition after the last tee-time indicated on the time sheet, unless with advance permission from the Committee.

## 7. Match Play

7.1. The conditions under which Club Match Play Competitions are to be played shall be laid down by the Committee and displayed on the advance time sheets and draw sheets.

## 8. Maximum Score Competitions

8.1. The Committee has set the maximum number of shots for Maximum Score competitions at Par plus 5 for each hole.

## 8. Timesheets

8.1. When time sheets are in operation, players:

8.1.1. shall not play unless they have an allocated time slot (i.e. may not cut in between groups).

8.1.2. **must** notify their opposition and partners in good time if they are withdrawing from the time sheet. (Reserving a time is a **commitment** to play with or mark for the other players at that time slot).

8.1.3. should be present at the 1st tee and ready to play five minutes before their starting time.

## 9. Teeing Area and Course

9.1. The stipulated round commences from the first tee and consists of playing the holes of the course in the sequence prescribed by the Committee, unless otherwise authorised by them.

9.2. The *holes* and *teeing areas* for a single round of a competition being held on more than one day may be differently situated on each day.

## 10. Standards of Player Conduct

10.1. The rules regarding player conduct, as contained in Rule 1 of the Rules of Golf, should be complied with at all times. In addition:

10.2. Competitors playing in an Inter-Club or Club Championship Match should, if practical, be extended the courtesy of being called through a slower group.

10.3. Players in a Club competition shall have priority over players who are not competing.

10.4. The maximum grouping allowed is four players, unless otherwise authorised by the Committee.

## 11. Pace of Play

11.1. Players are expected to keep their place on the course by avoiding slow play - (Your place on the course is **immediately behind** the group ahead and not immediately in front of the following group).

- 11.2. If a group fails to keep its place on the course and loses more than one clear hole on the players in front, it should invite the group following to pass.
- 11.3. Slow play will be penalised under Rule 5.6.
- 11.4 Players are encouraged to play “ready golf” in stroke play competitions.

## **12. Score Cards**

- 12.1. All competitors are requested by the Committee to date and name their own cards.
- 12.2. All competitors are required to enter their handicap on their own score card.
- 12.3. A competitor should not mark or alter her own score card. (The appointed marker is responsible for checking and recording the competitor’s score and for any alterations to the recorded scores).
- 12.4. Scores should be recorded on the score cards after each hole.
- 12.5. Score cards should be marked and signed before entering the locker room or Clubhouse. In adverse weather conditions, score cards may be signed in the Concourse.
- 12.6. Returned scores should not be disclosed to a player who has not started in the competition.
- 12.7. Players are requested to enter all ‘singles’ scores into the computer and the card must be returned as soon as possible after the round, whether the round is completed or not.

## **13. Disputes and Rules of Golf**

- 13.1. Any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules shall be referred to the Committee, **as soon as possible**, whose decision shall be final.

## **14. Decision of Ties**

- 14.1. The manner in which ties are to be decided will be by matching the tied score cards to determine the winner based on count-back, as approved by R&A Rules Limited.
- 14.2. For 18 hole competitions, decide on last 9 holes, then last 6, 3 and 2. If still tied, decide on last 3 holes of front 9.
- 14.3. For 9 hole competitions, decide on last 6 holes, then 3-2.
- 14.4 If the above procedures do not produce a result, the winner will then be determined by lot.

## **15. Prize Presentations**

- 15.1. Prize winners are expected to attend prize presentations as a courtesy to our Officers, Sponsors and Members whose generosity is much appreciated. If, due to exceptional circumstances, players are unable to be present to receive their prizes they should nominate another person to collect their prizes on their behalf.

## **16. General Conditions**

- 16.1. For alternate day competitions, i.e. a competition run over Saturday and Sunday, it is acceptable for a competitor to play all or part of the course on the alternate day and play in the competition the next day without breach of rules.
- 16.2. The Committee reserves the right to:
- 16.2.2. correct any mistakes made in the checking of score cards.
- 16.2.3. alter the published competition or conditions of same if it is deemed necessary.
- 16.2.4. cancel a competition due to insufficient entries or to postpone or abandon it at any stage in exceptional circumstances, if the Committee so decides.

***LADIES COMMITTEE***  
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