

Tickenham Golf Centre General Competitions

Terms and Rules

Rules of Golf – All competitions shall be played in accordance with the R&A Rules of Golf and such Local Rules and Conditions of Competitions as shall be published. Local Rules are clearly marked on the score card provided and/or on the notice board.

Amateur Status – All players must be of Amateur Status as defined by The Rules of Amateur Status.

Entry: Method and Fees – All entries must be completed and received at the Club shop ahead of play

All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Competitions Committee (Golf Sub-Committee) which reserves the right to accept, refuse or cancel without reason. The Committee's decision will be final.

Entry: Handicaps -

a) All players must be in possession of a WHS handicap with the appropriate level of handicap index at the time of entering or as relevant to the rules pertaining to each individual competition.

Withdrawals – A player will forfeit their entry fee if:

- a) they withdraw after registration unless the course is closed due to inclement weather
- b) they fail to register at the registration desk on the day of the competition
- c) they fail to appear on the tee at their appointed start time
- d) having qualified to continue in an event, fails to do so*
- *If a competitor withdraws from the competition before the cut is made the players score shall still be included in determining the cut mark.

Registration – Players must register in person (if a team event, the lead player may register) at the appropriate registration desk on the day of the competition and at least 20 minutes prior to their start time.

Failure to do so may result in the player(s) forfeiting their place. The player(s) concerned will also forfeit their entry fee.

General conduct

a) From registration and through to the close of the competition or match players must conduct themselves accordingly to the provisions of rule 1.2 of the R&A Rules of Golf and must not act in a manner which might bring the game or the Club into disrepute.

Note: Trolleys must not be taken onto tees or between a greenside bunker and the green and/or onto the fringes of greens.

Clubs and Ball – Conforming driver heads and golf balls – an updated list of the equipment permitted is available on the R&A's website – www.randa.org

Practice – Unless otherwise specified practice rounds are permitted (subject to advance booking and availability)

Returning score card – A players score card is deemed officially returned when they entered the score in the results computer in the Club Shop. Whilst a physical score card should be submitted to the score card box the computer record will take precedence.

Result of a competition – The result of a match is deemed officially announced when it has been recorded by a club official. The result of a competition is deemed officially announced when the Trophy is presented to the winner or the results published on the Club's website (Masterscoreboard.co.uk.)

Decision of Ties – Ties shall be decided on count back over the last 18, 9, 6, 3 or 1 holes. In the event of a further tie then lowest net score on lowest stroke index hole will be used until a result is determined. In the event of a tie in a match play event shall be decided on a play-off over holes 1 & 9 until a result is determined.

Inclement Weather – If in the opinion of the Golf Sub-Committee (or the Professional or the Secretary) it becomes impossible to play because of adverse weather conditions or other circumstances, the Committee may vary the conditions of the competition. In the event that the competition is abandoned, entry fees will be refunded.

In the event of thunder and lightning the Pro shop will signal a suspension of play for a dangerous situation with one long note of the Klaxon. This is the signal for everyone to mark their ball and evacuate the Course. People on the Course are responsible for their own actions in such a dangerous situation. If the weather improves (or the circumstance allows) play will resume.

Trophies and Prizes - All trophies won by a player (s) will be held in the Club Trophy Cabinet and displayed with the winner (s) name after the competition year end. Unless otherwise stated, a player may not win more than one medal in any competition and may win more than one prize voucher.- Prizes will be awarded in the form of credit and is placed on the golf shop account of the player to be spent in the golf shop on any goods or services. You may see a statement of your account at any point by asking in the golf shop.

Dress Code – Our club's dress code is relaxed and for beginners we recommend wearing flat soled shoes and comfortable clothing. Golf shoes are a benefit as they assist with your grip as well as being waterproof.

Health and Safety—The Club owns a defibrillator which is located in the clubhouse. All players are expected to familiarise themselves with the fire exits. Should the fire alarm sound, all players must immediately vacate the clubhouse by the nearest fire exit and assemble in the car park adjacent to the main entrance, until notified that it is safe to return.

Liability-The Club cannot be held responsible for the loss of or damage to any personal items or equipment whilst on the premises.

Disputes - In all disputes the Competition Committee's decision is final. The Club reserves the right to refuse entry.

Pace of Play - We encourage and promote "Ready Golf" with the aim to encourage faster round times to improve pace of play.

Players should play when they are ready to do so. Ready golf does not apply in match play, but all players are expected to play ready golf in all other formats.