

Rules of the Glamorgan and Monmouthshire Ladies' Golf League

2014-2015

1. Clubs competing in the League must be affiliated to their relevant County Association.

Those applying for admission, or wishing to withdraw from the League, must let the Secretary know, in writing, by October 15th.

The teams entered shall be arranged in divisions of not more than six teams, with the exception of the last two divisions, and shall play home and away matches against all the other clubs in the same division.

If a club has two teams in the same division competing against each other, each team must be nominated before the first League match and sent to the Secretary. The two teams in the same division must play their home and away matches before any other matches. Reserves for the First team must come from players whose handicaps DO NOT qualify them for either team.

No team may play a match until their League subscription has been paid.

2. The Match Captains of the competing clubs shall arrange the dates and times of matches. All dates of League matches must be in the hands of the Secretary by 1st March. If subsequently these dates have to be altered, then both Captains must inform the Secretary in writing.

It is the responsibility of the home Captain to confirm the match with the opposing Captain, no less than 48-hours before the match. Do not rely on leaving messages on answer-phones at any time. It is recommended that all matches be played by September 12th, to allow for re-arrangement. All matches must be completed by September 30th.

3. All lady members of a Club, including Limited and Junior members are eligible to play for a Club team. Life and Honorary members are eligible to play if they have been elected in recognition of services rendered to the club, as are fully subscribed Life Members. A player may only play for one Club in the League during a season.

The first team shall consist of the five lowest handicap players available on the day. The second team shall consist of the next five lowest handicap players available on the day and similarly for subsequent teams.

All players must play in strict playing handicap order. If the playing handicaps are the same, refer to the exact handicaps on the day of the match. If the exact handicaps are the same, the order of play shall be determined by the relevant team captain. To determine the order of play, the player with the lowest exact handicap shall precede the player with the higher. Any changes in handicap after the team has been posted must be taken into consideration in determining order of play.

Penalty: Loss of that game point and any other games affected. League team captains should refer to their Handicap Secretary regarding players' exact handicaps.

4. All matches must start at the agreed time. If any player is late arriving, the other matches must tee off without delay. Any player not on the 1st tee within 30-minutes of the agreed start time forfeits her match. All matches to be played from LGU tees and start at the first hole unless a Club rule states otherwise. No player is allowed to use a caddy during a league match. No player is allowed to use an Mp3 player or phone during a game. A mobile phone may be carried but must be switched to silent and only used for emergencies.
A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only, (DMD). If during a match a player uses a DMD that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that may affect her play she loses her match. (The player is in breach of Rule 14.3).
5. Each individual game must be played over 18-holes and the winner of the game shall be credited with one point. Should the game be halved, each player shall be credited with half a point. Team points shall be allocated as follows:

3 Team points for an AWAY WIN

2 Team points for a HOME WIN

1.5 Team points for an AWAY DRAW

1 Team point for a HOME DRAW

Should two or more teams have scored the same number of team points at the conclusion of the season, their order in the division shall be decided by the aggregate number of game points scored in individual games. Should there still be a tie, the order shall be determined by individual winning margins.

6. At the end of the season, from Division 3 downwards, the top team shall be promoted and the bottom team relegated. In Division 2, the top two teams shall be promoted and the bottom two teams relegated. In Division 1, the bottom two teams shall be relegated.

NB. All matches must be played. If two teams agree not to play, 1-point will be deducted from their score.

Any Club giving a walk-over will automatically be relegated at the end of the season. The Club receiving the walk-over shall be allocated the relevant points, i.e. 3-team points for an away win and 2-team points for a home win. Any Club giving two walk-overs in a season is automatically eliminated from the Glamorgan and Monmouthshire League. All matches played prior to elimination will be null and void. The eliminated club will be eligible to reapply to enter the Glamorgan and Monmouthshire League the following year.

If the course is open, a match must be played on the arranged date. In the event of bad weather, a match may be postponed if both Captains agree. The home team Captain must then inform the Secretary in writing of the rearranged date. If a match has commenced and the weather deteriorates, both Captains may agree to call in players and arrange an alternative date. If, in either case, rearrangement is impossible, no points shall be awarded.

The home Captain shall return the printed card fully and clearly completed immediately following a match. Both Captains must sign the card. N.B. Should the result card be incorrectly completed, the match shall be null and void. No points will be awarded. The match cannot be replayed.

7. The League Committee shall consist of the two County Captains, the League Honorary Secretary, a GUW representative and two invited representatives from each County. The Honorary Secretary shall be elected for a period of Three years but can be re-elected.

All team placings and disputes, under these rules, shall be adjudicated upon by the Committee of the League, whose decision shall be final.

Notices of Motion for the Annual General Meeting must be proposed and seconded by Clubs, must be submitted to the Secretary by October 15th.

For the Annual Meeting, Clubs shall nominate one delegate who shall be empowered to vote on any Motion.

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