



CLUB BYE LAWS

CONDITIONS FOR MENS COMPETITIONS

1. Members playing in Club Competitions should be familiar with the 'Rule of Golf' - Section I (Etiquette), Section II (Definitions) Section III (Rules of Play) - as amended from 1st January, 2008 and as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.
2. No member shall compete in any competition unless he has previously paid his subscriptions, locker rent and **Competition Entry Fee** for the current competition and all previous competitions.
3. Each entrant must hold a valid handicap on the date of the competition. Members whose home clubs are away must inform the Handicap Secretary whenever their handicaps are adjusted. Reference should be made to the Clubs Handicapping Policy and the CONGU scheme
4. In all competitions, each player shall play off the handicap to which he is entitled, subject to the requirements of R. & A. rule 6.2.
5. Any member, not having returned at least **three** qualifying scores during the previous season will be eligible to compete in competitions. Members with inactive handicaps will be allowed to play in all qualifying competitions and major competitions but will not be eligible to win a prize whilst their handicap is inactive. These scores will be submitted to enable the golfer to obtain an active handicap. The above may be subject to change dependent upon the EGU/CONGU review.
6. Competitions may start at any time after 7.30 a.m. unless otherwise stated, or by arrangement with the Competitions Chairman.
7. All cards taken out by players in a competition **must be handed in on completion of play**. It is the player's responsibility to return the card after playing, and **any player failing to hand in his card will result in automatic disqualification from the next club competition** (not Open Competitions). Any cards incorrectly marked or not signed will be disqualified.
8. The Competition Committee reserve the right to reject **any** competition entry.
9. The closure of the course on the day of a major competition remains operative until play commences in that competition.
10. Any player or players wishing to make an official complaint e.g. slow play or contravention of golf rules must first notify the players in question of his or their intention, and both parties should then state their cases independently to a Competition Committee on completion of the round.
11. Withdrawal from a competition after 12.00 p.m. 2 days prior to the competition day **entails payment of the...competition entry fee**, also starting times cannot be changed after this time (see condition 2).
12. Gentlemen Members under the age of twenty-one will not be able to win the two major club competitions (i.e. Captains Prize and Presidents Prize) until they have previously returned six cards in senior competitions. (Applicable to first year only).
13. It is the individual player's responsibility for entering his name on the competition entry sheet, any player whose name appears **twice** on a competition entry sheet must play at either the **earlier** time or be **disqualified** and he will be liable to **pay both competitions fees**.
14. Junior Members with a handicap of 12 or below who are 16 years of age on the day of the competition are permitted to join the senior competitions on payment of 'the age 18 subscription'. Also, any Junior may enter senior competitions subject to them having a single figure handicap and paying 'the age 18 subscription', however, they would only be allowed to place their name on the competition sheet 48 hours prior to the competition, if space is available. This also applies to Mens Winter League.
15. Junior Members attaining the age of 18 during the year may join senior competitions on condition they pay the balance of 'the age of 18 subscriptions'.