

# Portal Golf Club

## 9 Hole Competitions

There are 3 changes for a player when compared to the usual 18-hole competition which can often lead to confusion.

They are:

1. Calculation of Handicap Allowance
2. Buffer Zone allowances for any Handicap adjustments
3. Stroke Indices for the 9 hole cards

### 1. CALCULATION OF HANDICAP ALLOWANCE

The Par of both cards is 35 and both the White and Yellow tees' 9-hole SSS is 70

**Nine-Hole *QUALIFYING* Competitions MUST be in STABLEFORD format.**

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A Nine-Hole *Competition Handicap Allowance* must be calculated as follows:

$[Exact\ Handicap + \text{Nine-Hole SSS} - (\text{Nine-Hole Par} \times 2)] / 2$

For example, if the player has an *Exact Handicap* of 12.8 and the Nine-Hole SSS and Par are 69 and 34 respectively the *Nine-Hole Competition Handicap Allowance* is:

$[12.8 + 69 - (34 \times 2)] / 2 = [12.8 + 69 - 68] / 2 = 6.9$  rounded to 7.

Where the *Nine-Hole Competition Handicap Allowances* calculated for players differ from their *Playing Handicaps*, the Committee must make the players aware of their total stroke allowances for the competition.

***Thus to calculate your 9-hole handicap simply divide your exact handicap by 2, rounding up as usual into a playing handicap***

### 2. BUFFER ZONE ALLOWANCES FOR ANY HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS

The following Buffer Zones apply to Qualifying Scores over Nine-Holes:

Handicap Category	Buffer Zone (Stableford Points)
1	36
2 and 3	35 to 36
4	34 to 36

### 3. SI ALLOCATION FOR 9-HOLE CARDS

Premier - White and Yellow 9-hole Cards		
Hole No.	Par	Stroke Index
1	4	7
2	5	3
3	4	9
4	4	2
5	3	6
6	4	8
7	3	4
8	4	5
9	4	1