# **Terms of Competition**

# **Times of Starting and Groups**

# a. Starting Times (Rule 5.3a)

Competitors must start at the times established by the *Committee*.

Please note players should be on the Tee and ready to play at their allocated time or appropriate penalty must be applied.

#### b. Groups (Rule 5.4a & 5.4b)

In all competitions competitors must remain throughout the round in the group arranged by the Committee, unless the Committee authorizes or ratifies a change.

Where names are entered on an open list it is considered inappropriate for any member to alter or amend the list of names.

#### **Match Play**

When a match play competition is played over an extended period players may arrange the date of their match prior to the last day. It is recommended that the player(s) on top contacts his (their) opponent(s) to arrange a mutually convenient time **but this is not mandatory**. Each Player has an equal responsibility to ensure the match is arranged without delay.

Should for any reason the match not have been played/completed by the last day it **must** be played at 10am on the last day or the first available tee time thereafter as allocated by the Professional.

Should one side or both fail to report on the last day **both sides will be disqualified** from the competition unless a concession has been notified to the Match Committee via the Professional prior to the last day.

<u>NOTE</u>: It is hoped that all matches will be completed before the last date and that all competitors will arrange a mutually convenient time.

#### **Resolution of Ties**

#### a. **Stroke Play**

The method of matching cards will be used to determine the winner on the basis of the best score for the last nine holes. If the tying players have the same score for the last nine, the winner will be determined on the basis of the last six holes, last three holes and finally the 18th hole.

If this method is used in a competition with a multiple tee start, the "last nine holes, last six holes, etc." will considered to be holes 10-18, 13-18, etc.

For competitions where the handicap stroke table is not relevant, such as individual stroke play, one-half, one-third, one-sixth, etc. of the handicaps will be deducted from the score for those holes.

Fractions in such deductions will be used by the Committee for the resolution of ties.

The competitions where the handicap stroke table is relevant, such as four-ball stroke play, bogey, par and Stableford competitions, handicap strokes will be taken as they are assigned for the competition, using the players' respective stroke allocation table(s).

Should the result still be tied a playoff will be take place over holes 11 and 12 prior to the close of competition. It is the players responsibility to be available for a play off if required.

#### b. Match Play

If a match ends all square after the stipulated round it will be played off hole by hole until one *side* wins a hole.

The play-off will start on the hole where the match began. In a handicap match, handicap strokes will be taken as in the stipulated round.

# Terms of Entry for Competitions at Clwb Golff Abersoch

Terms of Competition to be eligible to Enter and Win.

# Members with Home Handicaps.

To have played in 3 single eighteen hole qualifying competitions (or 6 nine hole single competitions or combination equal to a total of 54 holes) at Abersoch in the prior 12 months or previous golfing year.

# Members with Away Handicaps.

To have played in 3 single eighteen hole qualifying competitions at Abersoch in the prior 12 months or in the previous golfing year as above and have WHS Index at their Home Club.

# Non-Members.

To have a current WHS Index to take part in any Open Competition.

### **Junior Members**

May play in Junior competitions on allocation of a WHS Index.

#### **Mixed Competitions**

To be eligible to play in mixed competitions where the gentlemen play from yellow tees a current WHS Index is required.

When white tees are used all competitors (Gents, Ladies and Juniors) must comply with the terms of entry for competitions at Clwb Golff Abersoch to be eligible to play.

#### **Club Knockouts**

To be eligible to enter any knockout competition at Clwb Golff Abersoch members must comply with the above terms of competition.

If uncertain of your handicap status please ask the Club Professional for guidance.

#### **Handicaps**

#### Gentlemen.

The handicap limit for men is a WHS index of 54 shots per 18 holes in all competitions except the Challenge Cup and President's Cup when the maximum Course Playing Handicap is 28.

These limits will be used prior to announcing the results of a competition.

# Ladies

The handicap limit for ladies is a WHS index of 54 shots per 18 holes in all competitions except the major competitions when the maximum Course Playing Handicap is 36.

# Mixed Golf

The handicap limit for all golfers is a WHS index of 54 except in the following competitions where there is a maximum Course Playing Handicap of 28 for men and 36 for ladies:

R.D. Jones Mixed Foursomes (Medal) Bankart Cup Mixed Foursomes (Medal)

### **Initial Allocation of Handicaps at Clwb Golff Abersoch**

Handicap at Clwb Golff Abersoch are allocated and maintained in accordance with the Recommendations of WHS and Wales Golf.

To acquire an initial Handicap allocation a player must return either three 18 holes scores or six 9 hole scores or a combination of both totalling 54 holes over qualifying 18/9 holes at Abersoch. The marker must have a current active handicap.

### **PREFERRED LIES (local rule)**

"When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less, the player may take free relief **once** by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from this relief area:

Reference Point: Spot of the original ball.

Size of Relief Area is within 6 inches from the reference point, but with these limits:

Must not be nearer the hole than the reference point, and

Must be in the general area.

In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b (2) and 14.2e.

# **TRANSPORTATION**

During a round a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee.

# **Returning Score Cards**

Once a player leaves the scoring area in the front hall having agreed with their markers and having entered the score into the computer the card is considered returned. Up to leaving this area players may make alterations to their score.

Rule 3.3b applies in all stroke play.