



Course Handicap

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What is it?

- The number of strokes a player will receive for the set of tees being played

Why is it important?

- All golfers, irrespective of the format of play, are required to calculate their Course Handicap before heading out onto the course

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WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM

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NEW RULE

**Handicap
Index**

X

**(Slope
Rating
/ 113)**

=

**Course
Handicap
(rounded)**



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What is Course Handicap?

A Course Handicap will determine the number of strokes a player will receive when playing from any set of tees on a given course. Before any player starts their round they must convert their Handicap Index into a Course Handicap.

How to work out a Course Handicap?

The Course Handicap calculation is:

$\text{Handicap Index} \times (\text{Slope Rating} / 113) = \text{Course Handicap}.$

But don't let this calculation concern you because working out a Course Handicap has been made simple.

England Golf will provide Course & Slope Rating tables to all clubs ahead of the new System launching in November. These Tables should be positioned in conspicuous locations around the club to make them easy to find prior to beginning a round of golf.

Golfers will simply have to choose the tees they are playing off that day, and cross reference their Handicap Index on the Course & Slope Rating table to ascertain their Course Handicap. It really is as simple as that - they're then ready to get out on the course and play!