



## General Conditions of Entry 2023

### General

1. All Garforth GC golf events shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Ltd (R&A) and such Local Rules, Temporary Local Rules and Terms of Competition as may be applicable for each event. All players are required to play with golf balls and use equipment which conforms to R&A specifications.
2. For 'Closed' Competitions, all players must be Members of Garforth Golf Club. All entrants to 'Open' competitions and Invitation Day guests shall be of Amateur Status as defined by The Rules of Amateur Status except where The Committee agree otherwise.
3. All entries must be made on the Official Entry Sheet placed on Club Notice Boards or Online as appropriate, together with the stipulated Entry Fee which must be received on or before the stipulated closing date for entries. No entry fee will be refunded, except to any entrant who may be balloted out and who does not subsequently compete, or at the discretion of the Committee. All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Golf Committee, which reserves the right to accept, refuse, or cancel an entry without giving reason for its decision. The Committee's decision shall be final. In such cases, any entry fee will be refunded. All entries must conform to the age and handicap index limits and other Terms of Competition of each event.
4. Eligibility - Each player must be a member of Garforth Golf Club or in the case of Open or Invitational Competitions, a member of a club affiliated to England Golf or who holds a current WHS Handicap through iGolf™. To be eligible to win a competition or a prize in a competition a player must have submitted six (6) fully completed competition 18 hole round score cards for WHS handicap purposes during the preceding twelve (12) months.
5. Players who withdraw after the publication of the draw, fail to appear on the tee at the due start time, or withdraw during the event without good cause, may be prohibited from entering future events run by Garforth Golf Club Limited
6. Code of Conduct - Players and caddies are expected to abide by the basic rules of behaviour as described in the Rules of Golf and Garforth Golf Club's Code of Conduct, available from the Managing Secretary.
7. Any player who is found in possession, administering, or using any substance listed on the WADA (World Anti-Doping Agency) Prohibited List, will be ejected from any competition administered by Garforth Golf Club Limited. The full list of prohibited drugs is available from UK Sport (<http://www.uk sport.gov.uk/>).
8. Caddies - There are no restrictions on the use of caddies
9. Buggies – Use of motorised ride on buggies shall be strictly in accordance with Garforth Golf Club's Buggy Policy – HS16 available on request from the Managing Secretary
10. Returning Score Card - A player's score is deemed officially returned when the player's scorecard has been deposited in the authorised posting box. A player's Handicap Index will remain unchanged during each individual round of Championships which exceed 18 holes



11. Result of a Match and when Competition Closed:
  - a) Match play: The result of a match is deemed officially announced when it has been recorded in the manner approved in the Competition Specific Terms of Entry
  - b) Stroke play: The results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition is closed when the winner is declared
12. Ties in competitions will be determined by the individual Terms of Competition for each Championship.
  - a. Strokeplay - if scores are tied the result will be decided by the 18 hole totals of the round(s) played, in the case of multiple round competitions, taking each round in reverse order of playing, i.e. 2nd round then 1st round. Should this fail to produce a result, then the result will be decided on the last 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole of the last round played. If a tie still arises it shall be decided over the last 6, 3 or 1 hole of the first nine holes of that round. If a tie still arises each preceding round shall be treated in the same way, taking each round in reverse order of playing, until a decision is reached. If a tie still arises the decision will be by lot.
  - b. Matchplay – if scores are level after 18 holes (or 36 Holes as relevant) players shall return to the 1st tee and play ‘sudden death’ until a result is obtained. In the event that a lack of available light or other acceptable reason, play shall be suspended in accordance with Rule 5.7 and The Committee informed before play continues on a mutually agreed later date
13. The responsibility for arranging tee times for matchplay knock out competitions lies with both parties. Should it be impossible to agree a mutually convenient time, the match will commence at the 1<sup>st</sup> tee at 5.00pm on the closing date of the particular round in question. Parties should present themselves at the Professional shop ahead of attending the 1<sup>st</sup> tee and any party failing to be present and ready to play at this defined time, shall forfeit the match
14. Members are reminded that subscriptions for the current year are due by the first of January, (except where a Member has opted for payment by instalments) in accordance with the Club’s Article of Association. **NO** Member whose subscription is in arrears may enter into or compete in any Club Competition.