



TERMS of COMPETITION for the HANDICAP LEAGUE

1. Each club may enter one team into the league.
2. The league will be divided into four divisions with the division each club plays in determined by their performance in the previous year.
3. The matches will be played as set out in the fixture list and teams will consist of 4 players.
 - Two players must have a Handicap Index of not less than 6.0 and not more than 9.9. Two players must have a Handicap Index between 10.0 and 14.9
 - In each game the higher Playing Handicap player will receive the full difference between the two players.
 - Players with a higher Handicap Index may be selected to play but must play off the maximum limit for the band they are playing in.
4. For the purposes of determining eligibility Handicap Indexes will be those applicable on the Monday in the week in which the fixture is scheduled to be played.
5. Subsequent adjustments will not affect eligibility to play but the latest Handicap Index must be used to calculate their Playing Handicap.
6. The 4 games are scheduled to tee off between 17.30 and 18.15.
7. The games are 18 hole match play, if the game is tied after 18 holes there is no sudden death, the match is halved.
8. The points awarded are as follows: 2 for a win and 1 for a halved game.
9. For each match the Team Captains must list their players in Playing Handicap order and exchange that order before the commencement of play. If more than one player has the same Playing Handicap they can be placed in any order. Once listed no amendments can occur unless a player fails to turn up. In the event of a player not being able to play, that game is not played and the points awarded to the opposing player.





10. If for any reason following the publication of the fixture list a match cannot be played then the match may be rearranged by mutual agreement and scheduled to take place 7 days prior or 7 days after the original scheduled match date. Matches not played within this time frame may be declared null and void.
11. Where play in matches on the date set out in the fixture list cannot be completed due to the course being unplayable the match may be rescheduled and be completed within 14 days of the original fixture date.
If both team Captains cannot agree on a date to replay the match, then the result may be declared null and void.

In points 10 and 11 above the Leagues Secretary should be informed.

12. The home Team Captain is responsible for completing the online scorecard (hhdugc.org.uk) and submitting as soon as possible but no longer than 24 hours after the match has been completed.
13. Once all matches are completed and if teams have accumulated the same number of points, then Champions, promotion and relegation will be decided by reference to:
 - i. The highest number of away points
 - ii. The combined result of the matches played between the clubs
 - iii. A play off on a neutral course determined by the Leagues Secretary
 - iv. If after the play off, the match is still tied, the players with the lowest Playing Handicaps will play sudden death to determine the winner
14. The winning club in each league will receive the divisional trophy.

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