

League Rules

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1. The League shall consist of the following clubs – Beaconsfield, Denham, Ellesborough, Gerrards Cross, Harewood Downs, Hazlemere, Temple and Wexham Park. From time to time but generally at the Annual General Meeting of the League, representatives of the member clubs shall elect coordinator/s who shall be responsible for the running of the League and the associated website.
2. Each Club shall play every other Club in the League once every year. Matches played at home one year shall be played away the following year. Matches shall be played between 15th March and the last day of the Buckinghamshire County Council summer school holidays. The home Club shall be responsible for arranging match dates; the Home Junior Organiser contacting the Away Junior Organiser in the preceding week to confirm the details and emailing the result to the Coordinator/s as soon as possible.
3. Teams shall consist of no more than FIVE players and ONE reserve, if available, each of whom must be a member of the Club for whom they are playing and be under EIGHTEEN years of age at 00:00 hours on 1st January of the year in which the match is played. Players who are members of more than one Club within the League may only be selected to play for one of them in a season. Once a player has represented one Club in a season, they are not allowed to represent another club for the rest of the season.
4. All players must have a WHS Handicap Index. The maximum Handicap Index allowed in matches is 32.0, any players with a Handicap Index of 32.1 or higher will play off a Handicap Index of 32.0.
5. The Home club to be responsible for arranging the Tees of the Day. In general, boys shall play from the Men's Medal Tee, and girls from the Ladies' Medal Tee however, with agreement from both teams, younger boys and/or girls may play from forward tees provided these have a valid Course Rating and Slope Rating for their gender.
6. Matches shall be played as singles games with handicap allowances calculated as follows:
 - For each player, determine Course Handicap using Handicap Index and the Slope Rating for the tee to be used. Round to a whole number.
 - Handicap allowance is the full difference between the Course Handicaps of the two players, adjusted for the difference in Course Rating (if any)
 - If the players are the same gender and playing off the same tees, there is no adjustment
 - If the players are different gender and/or using different tees, look up the Course Rating for the gender/tees being used and adjust the handicap allowance by the difference in Course Rating
 - Strokes shall be taken in accordance with the Men's Medal card, except when two girls are paired against each other in which case the Ladies' Medal card is used.
7. Teams shall play in order of handicap with lowest Handicap Index first. Where one team has fewer players than the other, then the teams shall be matched up for their games in ascending handicap order so that the players with the highest handicaps in the team with more players are granted any walkovers that become necessary.
8. (a) Matches shall be scored on the basis of two game-points for each singles won, and one game-point for each singles halved. A team failing to field the prescribed total of five players shall forfeit to the opposing side two game-points for each missing player. The team with the highest number of game-points will be deemed to have won the match. The match will be deemed to be halved where both teams have an equal number of game-points. A match won will score two match-points, a match halved will score one match-point.
 - (b) The overall League winner shall be the Club with the highest total of match-points when all matches have been completed.
 - (c) If two or more Clubs have the same total of match-points, the match(es) between the tied clubs will be used to resolve the tie. If still tied, then the League winner shall be the Club with the highest game-points differential, excluding points assigned as a result of a complete match walkover.
 - (d) Where, after reasonable efforts to reschedule the match, a club is still unable to field a team with a minimum size of 3 players then a walk-over (W/O) is to be granted to the club that was able to field a team. When a club has granted 3 such W/Os then they will withdraw from the competition for that year and the results of those games that they have played shall be removed from the record for that year.

- (e) Where a W/O is granted to the whole team then points for a win will be added to the score of the club that was able to field a team. However, in the case of either individual or team W/Os, no points will be awarded to individual player's scores counting towards the Player of the Year competition.
9. If a team fields an ineligible player:
- (a) If the player does not have a WHS Handicap Index or plays off a handicap that is higher than their current handicap, then their individual game is forfeit and is deemed to be a walkover.
 - (b) If the player has already played for another team in the CJGL or is not a current member of the club they are representing, then the match result is void and the match must be replayed.
10. (a) During matches it is mandatory that a Responsible Adult Person (RAP) from each club will be present at the commencement of the match and that the RAPs from both clubs will be present throughout the period of the match until the last junior has left the premises.
In particular this is so that an RAP from both clubs is always available in case of emergency or the need to make contact with members of the team's families
Without such continuous attendance of the home and away RAPs the match should not proceed.
- (b) Where young or inexperienced players are playing, it is permissible that there should be a Match Walker with such games. Any Match Walker must be a person agreed by both Junior Organisers. The Match Walker is allowed to help with trollies, for example on steep or awkward slopes or to keep up with play. The Match Walker is NOT allowed to give advice or coaching and should generally stay at least 50 yards away from the players.
11. Caddies are NOT permitted.
12. Match Followers are NOT permitted. Parents, Junior Organisers and players who have completed their matches are not allowed to follow matches that are still in play, with the exception that spectators are allowed to watch a match that is on a putting green.
13. Ball Spotters are allowed only at designated locations agreed by the home and away Junior Organisers and will be a person or persons designated by the Junior Organisers.
14. It is hoped that the Junior Organisers will be able to play some golf during the match and that the home Club will provide after match refreshments for the teams and organisers.
15. The etiquette and dress rules of the host Club shall be imposed.
16. If during a match there is a dispute between the players regarding any matter concerning the match that cannot be resolved between the players; then they should continue the match and report the dispute to the RAPs from each club, who for the purposes of the match shall be deemed to be the committee for that competition. In reaching their decision the committee should refer to the latest copy of the R&A publication Rules of Golf and may take advice from the home professional or secretariat. Any such disputes must be resolved without delay.

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