

The 2019 National Golf Club Challenge Golf Club Event Rules

1. The event organiser has the final say on any decision on rules and rulings. Any decisions on disqualification are to be made by the event organisers only. This rule must be acknowledged on application AND acknowledged at registration with a signature at each event.

R&A Rulebook covers this section. Rule 34 – 2 & 34 – 3 and the Section marked “Definitions” cover this rule in The R&A Rules of Golf.

2. Individuals shall compete in the specified Scoring System – any score conversion to the Stableford format, required to participate in the Challenge, can be done either during or post round.
3. Each competitor must hold a current CONGU handicap and this MUST be produced on registration and verified by the competitor’s home club at the time of event.
4. The format for the golf event shall be the one specified by the event organiser but all scores concerning the challenge shall be recorded in the Stableford format.
5. All scores for each hole played from each competitor MUST be entered onto the relevant scorecard.
6. Individuals will have the responsibility to ensure cards are marked correctly and handed into organisers immediately after the round, making sure the card is signed by the marker and individual.
7. In the event of a card playoff, the organisers will use back nine, back six, back three, back one and back fifteen.
8. All twos to be marked on card with a circle around it.
9. On any longest drives and nearest pins, all names are to be marked clearly, crossing out the previous name on the marker. All markers should be placed at an angle where they will not interfere with other golfers playing that hole. Also on the longest drive holes the ball must be on the fairway without exception.
10. All local rules on the reverse of the scorecard should be adhered to all times. You are guests of our partner venues and certain standards are expected.
11. Each player, on the first tee must identify their balls and if a player loses a ball he/she must identify their new ball.

12. Individuals will have the responsibility to ensure that his/her groups keep up with the group in front. Under no circumstances must a team fall more than a hole behind the group in front. If this occurs the captain must allow the group behind to play through.
13. If you or a member of your playing group hits a ball in the rough, hit a provisional to ensure speed of play. 5 minutes are allowed to look for balls but groups must allow the group behind to play through if they are waiting.
14. Repair all pitch marks and replace all divots.
15. Standard Golf Dress Code must be adhered to.
16. All competitors must make themselves aware of the Rules of Golf laid down by the R&A. These rules must be strictly adhered to at all times and any breach will lead to disqualification. A copy of the R&A rules will be available online from The R&A website.
17. Golfers must play fair and in the spirit of the game
18. Remember you are members of your club, certain standards are expected without exception both on the course and in the clubhouse
19. Golfers play at their own risk. The National Golf Club Challenge can not be held responsible for injury or loss resulting in your participation in the Challenge.
20. Driving Range. All users must take their safety into account at all times and must adhere to the rules below for their own safety and that of others using or operating the range.
 - All golfers must tee off from the designated bays at all times
 - No golfer is allowed to go onto the range to retrieve balls at any time
 - Balls will be supplied to each golfer by the operators of the range
 - When balls need to be collected the range will be shut for that period. Under no circumstances shall golfers hit balls on the range while range balls are being collected. Any such instance will lead to instant disqualification from the event.
21. Any event with a prize list should adhere to R & A rules. A limit is set on the value of prize an amateur may win, so in the unlikely event you exceed this limit you will be given the choice to give up your amateur status or return a prize that will be auctioned off during the prize presentation. To avoid confusion, the limit and value of any prize won by any amateur golfer can be found in The R&A Rules of Golf, Rules of Amateur Status Rule 3 - 2. Prize Limits.
22. All golfers must adhere to each golf club's rules laid down by the event organisers.
23. Each golfer must sign a rules acknowledgement at registration.

The National Golf Club Challenge is a Charity Golf Day and participants must take part in that spirit.

Enjoy your golf and thank you for your support!