

The Team Captain is required to: -

- Check the players' handicaps before the day to ensure that the players have a minimum of 5 valid competition cards for their handicap records in a rolling year on the date when the competition is due to be played. Failure will mean disqualification of the player and the points awarded to the other team.
- On the day of competition, players' handicaps must be active.
- In the Stearn and Cranworth, a player whose handicap has dropped, by no more than 2 shots (Cranworth) and 1 shot (Stearn) of the handicap limit are permitted to play in later Rounds (off her current lower handicap) PROVIDED that she has already played in any previous round in the current year. A player with a higher handicap may still play but MUST play off the maximum handicap allowed for this competition. Failure to comply will result in disqualification of the affected player.
- Write out the team list ready for simultaneous exchange half-an-hour before the tee time. Note. The Cranworth singles players must be in "handicap" order.
- Ensure that her players know their opponents' handicaps before play commences and that the calculation of the number of strokes to be given or received is correct.
- Inform players they can only take advice from their playing partner, caddies, Captain of the day or referees.
- Players are allowed to acknowledge spectators and thank them for their support.

Pace of play

The Team Captain should be responsible for making sure the pace of play is reasonable. Slow play will be penalised under Rules of Golf 6-7

It is expected a two ball should take no more the 2 hours for 9 holes and a fourball 2 hours 15 minutes.

The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:

- a) on a par three hole,
- b) her approach shot and

c) a chip or putt.

The timing will start when a player has had sufficient time to reach her ball, she has had a few seconds to select her club and she is able to play without distraction. Time spent determining yardage will count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace her ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on her line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

The penalty for a breach of Rule 6-7 is loss of hole in match play and two strokes in stroke play

If there are queries regarding the Rules of Golf (as opposed to the Competition Rules), contact the secretary via email who will source the information for you. <u>secretary@suffolkladiesgolf.org.uk</u>

GENERAL COMPETITION RULES - Go to

https://www.suffolkladiesgolf.org.uk/competitions/rules/