

**SUNDAY MORNING LEAGUE RULES 2007/8**  
**AMENDED 9.10.07**

1	The League consists of 20 teams of 2
2	4-ball better-ball matchplay rules apply- 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw. <b><math>\frac{3}{4}</math> handicap difference</b>
3	18 holes will be played and the total number of holes up or down entered on the results sheet. This will result in teams having a 'hole difference' which will decide positions in the league in the event of points totals being equal at the end of the season. If 'hole difference' also happens to be equal, positions will be decided by the total number of 'holes for'
4	If weather permits 19 matches will be played.
5	A maximum of 1 date will be set aside at the end of the season to replay any matches cancelled or abandoned.
6	Matches will only be cancelled or abandoned if the course is unplayable solely at the discretion of the league committee.
7	In the event of matches being abandoned after play has begun, unless ALL matches have been decided, ALL matches will be void. This does mean that some matches may be played over less than 18 holes. e.g. If a team is 4 up with 2 to play when play is abandoned they will be credited with a 4-0 win (as if the remaining holes were halved).
8	If the course is open, any teams who decide to walk in before their match has been decided will score no points at all. <b>They cannot 'settle for a half'</b>
9	Teams may by agreement walk in once their match has been decided (e.g. 4 up with 3 to play) but the final score will be counted as if the losing side <b>won</b> the remaining holes. (e.g. result would be 1-0)
10	If one member of a team is absent a substitute should be selected from the official substitutes list.
11	If no official substitute is available any member of the club with a valid full handicap may be used (excluding <b>members of other teams</b> ) Lady members may play providing the opposing team agree.
12	If no substitute can be found the player may claim 4 extra shots – 2 for the front 9 and 2 for the back 9
13	If one player turns up late he may join his partner on the course. If he joins in before the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee any shots claimed by his partner for the front 9 will be forfeit and the scores on each hole recalculated (please mark a card) If he joins on or after the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee his partner may keep the 2 strokes claimed for the front 9 but relinquish the 2 strokes for the back 9
14	If a player is forced to retire partway through the match his partner may claim 2 strokes for the back 9 providing the retiring player does not contribute from the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee onwards.
15	2 substitutes may be used in any one match. <b>The objective is to ensure that all teams get a game every week.</b> (see rule 17)
16	For reasons of prolonged illness or absence for a minimum of 5 consecutive weeks a 'permanent substitute' can be declared. This is at the discretion of the league committee.
17	If a team is unable to play or find at least one substitute their opposition will be awarded a 1-0 win. The team defaulting will also forfeit one point from their total (except in extraordinary circumstances agreed by the committee).
18	Trophies and prizes will be awarded at the end of the season.
19	There will be a 2s competition based on the most 2s scored during the season.
20	An Annual Dinner will be organised for Players, Substitutes and their Partners and Guests.
21	An A.G.M. will be held at the end of the season to elect the league committee for the following season, present prizes to the winners and deal with any other business to do with the league.
22	The committee for 2007/8 is Peter.Viner, Paul Jackson and A. N. Other.

**PLEASE AVOID SLOW PLAY.**

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE FIRST TEAMS OUT TO MAINTAIN A REASONABLE PACE AND ALL OTHER MATCHES TO KEEP UP. THIS MEANS YOU.**