

## Central Otago Pennant Series RULES 2012

### **General**

- 1 All Players must be financial members of the Clubs they are representing
- 2 Teams shall consist of (six) 6 players.
- 3 Starting times will be noon (12.00a.m.) unless otherwise advised.
- 4 Points will be awarded (a) 2 points for a win (b) 1 points for a draw © 0 points for a loss.
- 5 In the event of a player defaulting the match losing margin will be nil
- 6 Playing order together with official handicap index shall be tabled 15 minutes before the
- 7 official starting time.
- 8 Only the controllers shall be entitled to make alterations to the set draw.
- 9 The HANDICAP INDEX for each grade shall be:- Senior A open, Senior B up to 9.0, Intermediate 8.0-15.0; Junior A 14.0-22.0; Junior B 21.0-30.0, President's Senior up to 12.0 Intermediate 12.1-17.0 Junior 17.1-30.0
- 10 A player may drop in handicap index to play in a lower grade
- 11 **Players whose handicaps are not processed by your club can't represent your club in the Otago pennants.**  
**EXCEPTION a player attending a recognised educational institution, who has his handicap processed outside Otago may play for a club he is a member of.**  
A player can only play for one club in a season.
- 12 All matches will be played until a result is determined.
- 13 The winning margin will be recorded on the result sheet

### **Competition**

Competition will be individual match play. Senior A "off the stick" with other divisions on handicap differentials. Teams will play with the number SIX (6) player teeing off first through to number ONE (1) player teeing off last, except for the President's and Junior B grades where the number ONE (1) player tees off first through to number SIX (6) teeing off last.

### **Rules**

The rules of play shall be the R & A rules of golf and any such local rules as the host club may post on the day.

: NOTE: Penalty for breach of a local rule in match play is loss of hole.

**Central Otago Golf Inc local rule: It is not permitted to practise on the course on the day of competition. Penalty is disqualification.**

### **Slow play may be penalised**

Players must note that slow play will not be tolerated. Each group must hold their place in the field (calling through excepted) If they fail to do so, a warning will be given to the group as a whole. if no effort is made to regain their position, an attempt will be made to determine the offender(s) and a further warning given.

The official has the right to impose a penalty of one stroke on the effective player(s).

Players are not permitted to continue play after a match is won or lost

### **Special Rules for Senior A & B**

- 1 All matches will be played from the Championship tees.
- 2 Team order may be changed from match to match.
- 3 The winning team in either section or round robin play shall be the team with the highest number of points. Should there be a tie then the total number of wins and halves shall be used and totalled. If this fails to resolve the tie then the winning hole margins shall totalled. If it is still equal then a play-off between the two teams shall be held on a neutral course and if that results in a tie after the use of the hole margins then two nominated players shall play sudden death on holes designated by the Pennant Convenor

### **Intermediate; Junior A & Junior B & President's**

- 1 All matches will be from regular tees
- 2 Team order may be changed for each round
- 3 Team personnel may be changed for each round
- 4 To determine the final positions the rules that apply to the Seniors will apply
- 5 If there are 3 zones the winner of each zone shall play using the special draw for 3 teams over 2 rounds e.g.

Round 1: A1 v C1; A2vB1; C2vB2; A4vC3; C4vB4; A5vB5; B6vC5; A6vC6; A3vB3

Round 2: B1vC1; A1vB2; C2vA2; A3vC4; C3vB3; A4vB4; A5vC5; B5vC6; A6vB6

### **The Finals**

- (a) Shall be played on neutral courses
- (b) Clubs may play their best teams
- © Should a match be tied then the hole margins shall be totalled and if there is still a tie each team will nominate a player to take part in a sudden death play-off.

### **Equipment**

The use of golf carts is permitted if required.

### **Distance measuring devices:**

A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However if a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play e.g. (gradient, wind- speed, temperature etc.) the player is in breach of rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

### **Weather Affected Matches**

- (a) If the match does not get started or has to be abandoned before the completion of 12 holes by all team members the match will be rescheduled by the Controller,
- (b) If all team members have completed 12 holes and then play is abandoned it shall be deemed to have been completed as a match.  
Scores at the point of abandonment must be recorded to get a result e.g. Red 6 v Blue 6  
Red 2up @ 15; Red 3 v Blue 3 Red 3up @13.
- © In the event of the unlikely situation of it not being possible to find a suitable date for the abandoned match  
(a) the scores at the time of the abandonment must be recorded and used to determine the result
- (d) The decision to abandon play shall be made by the Club Official on duty at the course on the day of play

### **Cell phones**

Cell phones are prohibited. The penalty for using a cell phone during a match is disqualification. Please note that a cell phone that is switched on is deemed to be in use. The only exception to this rule is a medical situation (or similar) agreed with the captains prior to play.

### **G.P.S.**

Only N.Z. Golf approved devices are permitted.

### **Decisions**

The decisions of the Convenor and Committee shall be final

The Pennant Committee shall determine the type of draw to be used after all the entries have been received.