



## **Leicestershire and Rutland Golf Union**

### **Under 35s League Competition – Revised for 2012**

1. The following conditions shall apply to the Under 35s League Competition (hereinafter called the League) organised by the Leicestershire and Rutland Golf Union.
2. Each Club in the Leicestershire and Rutland Golf Union may enter the League
3. Each Club may only be represented by one team
4. For a member to be eligible to play in the League they must comply with the following rules:
  - a) Be a playing member of the club they represent
  - b) Be born on or after 01 January 1977
  - c) Be an amateur
  - d) Have a CONGU handicap of no more than 18 (players off handicaps higher than 18 are allowed to play, but shall be deemed to have a handicap of 18)
5. No player may compete for more than one club in the league during a season
6. The League shall be made up of 1, 2 or 4 groups depending on the number of clubs entered for the season. Each team will play half of their match at home and half away. The decision on the quantity of teams per group will be reviewed at the Annual Fixtures Meeting. Leagues shall be determined by ballot as will which matches take place at home/away
7. If only one group is selected the top four teams will qualify for the League Finals; if two groups are selected the top two from each group qualify for the league finals; in the case of four groups each group winner will qualify for the League Finals.
8. Clubs should endeavour to have at least half of their matches played by June 30<sup>th</sup> and at least 75% of their matches played by July 31<sup>st</sup>.
9. One week before a fixture the team Captain of the away side should contact the team Captain of the home side to confirm the tie.
10. The league matches will consist of two teams of eight players who will compete in four games of foursomes matchplay over 18 holes
11. Stroke allowances will be one half of the difference of the combined handicaps for each pair. For example if pair A are a combined handicap of 14 and pair B is a combined 20, then pair B will receive 3 shots. Strokes are to be taken according to the medal play stroke index. There shall be no courtesy shots for ladies.
12. The two Captains concerned shall determine the time at which the match is to be played. Team lists are to be exchanged 10 minutes before the agreed start time; no changes to the teams are allowed once the lists have been exchanged. All players must be present to play within 30 minutes of the first match teeing off.
13. The result of each tie shall be decided according to the number of games won or lost. The result of the tie shall be sent to the Under 35s Tournament Secretary within 48 hours of the match being played. Three points shall be awarded to the winning club; one point will be awarded to each club in the event of a draw. The margin of victory will be incorporated into the League table under Games Won and Games Lost.
14. In the event of two or more clubs having equal number of points at the end of the group stage, the position of each club will be decided in the order by which the number of Games Won is greater than Games Lost. In the event of that two or more clubs cannot be separated applying this rule:
  - a) then the position will be decided in order of the number of Games Won



- b) if the clubs cannot still be separated the placing will be decided by the result of the games between the clubs
  - c) if still the clubs cannot be separated they will be offered a playoff at a neutral course
15. At least 7 days notice of any postponement shall be given to the opposing team. This is only permissible on one occasion with any subsequent postponement resulting in the non-offending team being awarded the match 4-0. In the event of a game being cancelled with less than 48 hours notice the non-offending team will be awarded the match 4-0.
16. The only exceptions to Condition 16 are:
- a) Epidemic
  - b) When the course at which the tie is to be played is deemed out of bounds
  - c) When the course at which the tie is to be played is not available due to unforeseen circumstances
17. The four qualifiers from the group stages will take part in the League Finals. The venue for the League Finals will be decided at the Annual Fixtures Meeting.
18. The League Finals Matches will be played in the following order depending on the number of groups:
- One Group
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|-----------|-----------------------|---|-----------------------|
| AM Semi 1 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place | V | 4 <sup>th</sup> Place |
| AM Semi 2 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place | V | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place |
| PM Final  | Winner Semi 1         | V | Winner Semi 2         |
- Two Groups
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| AM Semi 1 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Group A | V | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Group B |
| AM Semi 2 | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place Group A | V | 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Group B |
| PM Final  | Winner Semi 1                 | V | Winner Semi 2                 |
- Four Groups
- |           |                 |   |                 |
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| AM Semi 1 | Winners Group A | V | Winners Group D |
| AM Semi 2 | Winners Group C | V | Winners Group B |
| PM Final  | Winner Semi 1   | V | Winner Semi 2   |
19. In the event that a Semi Final or Final is halved overall, each side shall nominate one pair of players to take part in a sudden-death playoff. The sudden death playoff shall also be played off handicaps as per Condition 9.
20. Group matches are to be completed by 10<sup>th</sup> September – the league playoff finals will take place on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> September.