



Western Province Golf

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Harry Solomon League Conditions 2021

1. General

The following are the Rules and Conditions governing the Harry Solomon League run under the control of the Executive of Western Province Golf (WPG).

2. Trophy

The Harry Solomon League shall compete for the Harry Solomon Cup. This is a floating trophy presented by JM Logan in memory of the late Harry Solomon who rendered invaluable service to Western Province golf between 1923 and 1956. Teams representing competing Clubs shall compete for the trophy annually.

3. Rules of the Competition

Play shall be strictly in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

The Local Rules, in effect on the day of play at the venue of each match, shall apply.

4. Team Eligibility

Only Clubs affiliated to WPG or invited by WPG may compete in the league. Every Club shall be entitled to one team in the League. The Executive may, at its discretion, invite a Club to enter a second team in the League.

5. Player Eligibility

Players must be registered affiliated members of the competing Club and handicapped at that Club.

The handicap index range for all players competing in the league is 9.5 to 16.0, inclusive.

A player with a handicap index higher than 16.0 may be selected but must play off an index of 16.0.

In order for a player to be eligible, his handicap index must have always been greater than **7.5** from **1 February 2021**.

Players HI's shall not be not frozen, but a League condition "hard" cap of + 2.0 on HI, using a base date of 29 April 2021 shall apply.

No player may play with an open round, this will result in a loss of the relevant better ball match if this is brought to the attention of WPG before 12h00 on the Monday following the match. Similarly, a player playing off the incorrect HI, will result in a loss of the relevant better ball match if this is brought to the attention of WPG before 12h00 on the Monday following the match. It is the responsibility of the club's to check the status of their player's handicaps/open rounds. No ruling on this matter will be made after 12h00 on the Monday following the match. The results of matches are final once it is published on the WPG web page.

Any player suspended from a Club or suspended from the Leagues in terms of the Constitution of WPG or League Rules of WPG is not eligible to represent any Club during his period of suspension.



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6. Team Managers

Team managers are not permitted and no player assistance is permitted.

7. Composition of the League

The league will consist of 17 teams divided into two sections of 6 teams and one section of 5 teams.

8. Composition of the Teams

Each team shall consist of 16 players. 4 pairs (8 players) to play at 'Home' and 4 pairs (8 players) to play 'Away'.

The minimum total HI of each paring shall be 23.

9. Format of Competition

The format of the competition shall be four-ball better-ball, 2nd ball match play played off 90% of the SAGA computed course handicap, the Playing Handicap (PH), as per Rule 6.2 and Appendix C of the Rules of Handicapping.

The lowest PH in a four-ball playing off scratch and the remainder of the four-ball playing off a PH equal to the difference between the lowest PH in the four-ball and their PH.

10. Scoring

The team winning the most games on the day will be declared the winner of the match. Games that are tied at the end of 18 holes shall not proceed beyond the 18th green, but shall be considered halved games. A team that wins a match outright will be awarded 2 points. If the match is halved each team will be awarded 1 point.

In the event of adverse weather conditions at a venue, which include, rain, lightning and bad light and play is abandoned at that venue, the result of the games at that venue will be determined as follows;

1. Any game which has not completed 9 holes, will be declared a half.
2. The result of any other incomplete game will be decided on the status of the game at the time that it was officially abandoned provided nine holes have been completed.

Should the other venue remain playable, these games shall continue and the result determined accordingly.

11. Winner of the League

Each team will play the other teams in their Section. At the conclusion of the sectional matches, the top 2 teams from each section will advance to the knockout stage, including the top 2 points-based teams, not already included in the quarter finals. The teams will be seeded 1 to 8. This will be done in the following order: Points, games for, wins, result between the teams and total ups. If teams can still not be separated it will be decided by lot. In the knockout the matches will be determined by seeding. The winners will advance through to the semi-finals etc.

The quarter and semi-finals will be played on a home-and-away basis and the final at a venue arranged by WPG. In the event of a tie, the quarter-final and semi-final will be the team with the higher seeding. In the final, each club will nominate a pair to play-off for the trophy.

12. Promotion & Relegation

N/A



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13. Dates & Venues

Dates of matches shall be arranged by WPG. Should a Club be unable to play their match on the date arranged by WPG that Club may, after consulting with their opponents Club and WPG, agree to play their match on an alternate date. Should any venue be deemed unsuitable for the playing of League matches, the Executive of WPG reserves the right to exclude or remove matches from such a venue.

14. Starting Times

In accordance with Rule 5.3a of the Rules of Golf, players will start at the times allocated by the 'Home' Club Committee after consultation with the 'Away' Club. These times should be allocated in the afternoon field. WP Golf suggest a tee time of around 12h30 (unless both clubs agree to a morning tee time). The match must be played at similar times at both venues.

Cape Peninsula matches will be played at King David Mowbray on a Sunday.

15. Submission of Teams

Clubs shall submit their teams, on the prescribed form, by e-mail, to WPG by 12h00 on the Thursday preceding the match. The names shall be submitted in playing order. Substitutions must take the place of the player replaced, no changes to the playing order are allowed.

HI and Pairing HI Total must comply with League conditions at time of submission. If players HI changes to below 9.5, he plays off lower HI and calculated PH for that weekend's fixture, thereafter he is not eligible to play unless he meets HI conditions.

16. Substitution of players

If a player has to be replaced after the draw for a fixture has been distributed, it must be a direct replacement. The replacement player's handicap index must be equal to or greater than the HI of the player he is replacing.

17. Submission of Results

Clubs must notify WPG of the result of all matches (home and away) via email by 12h00 on the Monday following the match. Should they be late in submitting the result, they will receive a 'Yellow Card' for the first instance. Should this happen again, WPG will penalize the team by deducting 1 point from their accumulated points total on the log during the league stages. During the knockout stages 1 match point will be deducted.

The results at a venue should be provided to the Club Captain for announcement at prize giving. If the results are not readily available from the host club, the responsibility for determining the overall result rests with the team Captains.

18. Local rules

The Local Rules of the Host Club will be the Rules in force on the day of the match.

19. Tees

For Harry Solomon matches, the matches are to start from the 1st tee as there will be handicapping/stroking requirements for the duration of the game. The Tees played from are those stipulated by WP Golf, as given in **Appendix A**. Home games for Atlantis will be played at Atlantic Beach and may tee off from the 10th tee.



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20. Player Advice

Assistance in the form of advice to any player can only be gained from the player's own playing partner/caddie. Should a team be in breach of this condition, Rule 10.2 of the rules of golf will be applied, Match play - loss of hole.

21. Etiquette & Dress Code

The WPG Executive reserves the right to disqualify a player who incurs a serious breach of etiquette during a Harry Solomon game as per the Rules of Golf and to discipline a player for bad behaviour on the course and any serious breach of etiquette will be severely dealt with in terms of the Constitution.

Teams must play in uniform. The following dress code will apply:

- Teams may wear shorts or longs, as long as the colour does not differ. Shorts may not be cargo pants, etc.
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times and golf caps worn the correct way.

Players failing to adhere to the above dress code will not be allowed on the course, the host club is to enforce the dress code.

22. Scorecards & Handicapping

As per the **Rules of Handicapping, Rule 2.1a all scores are to be captured for handicapping purposes**, within the required submission time period.

Scores are to be captured as per Rule 3.2 of the Rules of Handicapping, the score captured is that at the end of the match e.g. should a match finish on the 16th hole, the player must add net par for the final two holes, irrespective if these are played or not.

It is recommended that players use the HNA App to capture hole by hole scores and submit upon completion of their match without entering scores for any un-played holes, as the App will automatically calculate the net par scores.

23. Snacks and Drinks

It is at the sole discretion of the host club to provide halfway and drinks after. A recommendation of halfway and two drinks after the round would be adequate. It is required, barring exceptional circumstances that the visiting team stays for two drinks after the game with the host club.

24. Playing Fees

There are no playing fees.

25. Reimbursement

N/A

26. Caddies

Players may use only professional caddies employed by the host Club, unless arranged otherwise with the host club.



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27. Distance Measuring Devices

The use of Laser range-finders and GPS locators, or any equivalent equipment is allowed as per the Rules of Golf.

28. Motorized Golf Carts

The use of driven motorized golf carts is permitted with the approval of the host Club. The use of motorbikes is prohibited.

29. Withdrawal

Should a team withdraw or be suspended during the course of the season, along with R 5 000.00 fine per team, all their matches in their section will be null and voided. In terms of comparing for seeding all the teams in the group have be adjusted by the appropriate multiple.

30. Drug Free Sport (Anti-Doping Policy)

All competitors are subject to the provisions of the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy. Details of the Policy, and the current Prohibited Substances and Methods, are available from the International Golf Federation's website (www.internationalgolffederation.org). Competitors who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from the South African Golf Association. Random testing may take place. This will include alcohol during the course of play. Breach of condition is disqualification. (Match in Question)

31. Disputes

The Executive Committee of WPG shall appoint a Tournament Committee, and this Committee, whose decision shall be final, will settle all disputes.

32. Changes

The Executive Committee of WPG shall have the right to amend, alter, delete or add to the above Rules at any time.

33. Version

This version of the Harry Solomon League Rules supersedes all previous versions and is effective from 14 May 2021.



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Annexure 1

Course	Length (m)	Tee & Par	Course Rating	Stroke Rating
Atlantic Beach	5 874	72	72.4	132
Bellville	5 896	72	71.6	132
Clovelly	5 760	72	70.8	137
Durbanville	5 947	72	72.3	133
Erinvale	6 035	72	73.3	142
KD Mowbray	5 898	72	71.7	124
Kuils River	5 767	72	70.5	118
Metropolitan	5 704	70	69.9	115
Milnerton (Par 72)	5 956	72	72.4	130
Parow	5 975	72	71.8	133
Rondebosch	5 980	72	69.8	124
Royal Cape	5709	72	70.4	133
Simons Town	4 148	66	63.8	118
Somerset West	5 650	72	70.1	125
Steenberg	5 824	72	71.5	133
Strand	5 941	72	72.5	130
Westlake	5 844	72	71.2	123