



Western Province Golf

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Super Senior League Conditions for 2021

These rules will govern the league for the entirety of the league season

1. **GENERAL:** The following are the Rules and Conditions governing the Super Senior League run under the control of the Executive of WPG.
2. **SHIELD:** Teams shall compete for the League Shield. Teams representing competing Clubs shall compete for the shield annually. The name of the Club winning the competition shall be engraved on the shield and given to that Club at the WPG Awards Ceremony at the end of the year.
3. **RULES OF THE COMPETITION:** Play shall be strictly in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Ltd.
4. **TEAM ELIGIBILITY:** Only Clubs affiliated to WPG and teams invited by the WPG Executive may compete in the league. Every Club shall be entitled to one team in the League. WPG may, at its discretion, invite a Club to enter a second team.
5. **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY:** Players must be registered full golfing members of the competing Club and handicapped at that Club. Only players aged of 60(Sixty) or above are eligible to compete in any given match during this League. A player who has represented his Club in any other league during the season cannot play for any other Club in any league during the same season, unless permission is received from the WPG Executive. Any player suspended from a Club or suspended from the Leagues in terms of the Constitution of WPG or League Rules of the WPG is not eligible to represent any Club during his period of suspension.
6. **TEAM MANAGERS:** Team managers are not permitted and no player assistance is permitted.
7. **COMPOSITION OF THE LEAGUE:** The League will consist of 8 teams. Each team will play matches at home and away, some teams may play one more or one less home or away.
8. **COMPOSITION OF THE TEAMS:** Each team shall consist of 4 players.
9. **FORMAT OF THE LEAGUE:** The format of the competition is better ball Stableford off scratch. Stableford is played under the rules of Stroke-play, as such, no putts may be conceded. The competition shall be played over 18 holes.
10. **SCORING:** At the end of 18 holes the individual games won, drawn or lost will be recorded. The winning team of the day will be that team with the most individual wins. In the event of a draw all stableford points of each team will be added and the team with the higher total will be the winner. If the total number of stableford points is tied, the match will be deemed as halved. In winning a match a team will be awarded 3 points. The team winning a drawn match on stableford count-out will be awarded 2 points and the losing team on count-out will earn 1 point. If the match be halved (stableford score tied) each team will be awarded 1½ points. Should a course at a venue become unplayable during a match then completed games will count with the uncompleted games being declared draws. Should a venue be unplayable before the match commences the result at that venue will be a two-all draw.

11. **WINNER OF THE LEAGUE:** On conclusion of final round the team with the most points wins the league. If more than 1 team is tied with the most points, the winner will be determined by the highest games difference for the season and if still tied then by their head to head results. If this is still tied, then the League will be shared.
12. **PROMOTION & RELEGATION:** N/A
13. **DATES & VENUES:** Dates and venues of matches shall be arranged by WPG. 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:** 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.
15. **SUBMISSION OF TEAMS:** Clubs shall submit their teams, on the prescribed form, by e-mail, to WPG by 12h00 on the Wednesday preceding the match. The names shall be submitted in playing order. Clubs must also indicate the 'home' times and tees for the fixture on the submission sheet.
16. **POPI ACT POLICY:** By players participating in leagues run under the auspices of WPG they are consenting to Western Province Golf collecting and storing certain personal player information (the minimum needed to conduct the administration of the respective leagues). Clubs / Players are assured that Western Province Golf is fully compliant with the Protection of Personal Information Act ("POPIA") regarding how we collect personal information, why we collect it, what it is used for and how it is stored. This personal information may be used to provide further details of the respective leagues and may be stored by Western Province Golf for purposes of further such events. Your personal information shall not be shared with any third party whatsoever, save for the publication of league results. If a player is a minor, by accepting the League Conditions, Western Province Golf accepts that players parent or guardian has given his/her consent to the above and for the club to have provided the player's personal information.
17. **SUBSTITUTION OF PLAYERS:** If a player is withdrawn from a team the substitute must be a direct replacement.
18. **SUBMISSION OF RESULTS:** All clubs must submit results via email to WPG on the official results sheet by 12h00 on the Monday following the match. Failing such, WPG may penalize teams by deducting 1 point from their accumulated points total on the log.
19. **LOCAL RULES:** The Local Rules of the Host Club will be the Rules in force on the day of the match.
20. **TEES:** WPG recommends the players play from the club competition markers on the day.
21. **PLAYER ADVICE:** Assistance in the form advice to any player can only be gained from the players own playing partner.
22. **ETTIQUETTE & DRESS CODE:** The WPG Executive reserves the right to disqualify a player who incurs a serious breach of etiquette during a Super Senior 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 i.e. same shirts and pants. Players failing to adhere to the above dress code will not be allowed on the course. WPG Code of Conduct will apply.

23. **SCORECARDS & HANDICAPPING:** In accordance with the WHS, for handicapping purposes, rounds are to be opened and scores entered in the HNA app by entering the hole-by-hole scores until the match is concluded after which the round is closed; the most likely score (MLS) is to be used where concessions are made. No scorecards are however required to be submitted.
24. **SNACKS & DRINKS:** It is at the sole discretion of the club to provide halfway and drinks after the round. A recommendation of halfway and a drink after the round would be adequate. It is required, barring exceptional circumstances, that the visiting team stays for 2 drinks after the game with host club.
25. **PLAYING FEES:** There will be no playing fees.
26. **REIMBURSEMENT:** N/A for this League
27. **CADDIES:** Professional caddies employed by the host Club must receive preference. The Club Caddie rules will apply to both Club and imported professional Caddies. A professional Caddie for purposes of the WP Leagues is a person who derives full-time or part-time income from his profession as a golf Caddie and is either registered with an affiliated golf Club Caddie program or through casual association with the Club accepted as a professional Caddie there.
28. **MOTORIZED DRIVEN 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, all their matches in their section will be null and voided. In terms of comparing for seeding all teams in the group will 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. Penalty for breach of this condition will be disqualification of the player for the specified match and rest of the day. penalty for breach of this condition will be disqualification of the player for the specified match.
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 Rules supersedes all previous versions and is effective from