

Royal Cape Golf Club, 174 Ottery Road, Wynberg 7800 POSTNET Suite 429, Private Bay X16, Constantia, 7848

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HARRY SOLOMON LEAGUE CONDITIONS 2022

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.

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 (HI) range for all players competing in the league is 9.5 to 16.0, inclusive. (11 to 18 on the HS Course).

The players HI on the day of the match shall be the same HI as at the time of the team submission.

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 7.6 from 1 March 2022.

<u>Players HI's shall not be not frozen</u>, but a League condition "hard" cap of <u>+ 2.0 on HI</u>, using a base date of 15 April 2022 shall apply.

No player may play with an open round, this will result in a loss of the relevant 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 match if this is brought to the attention of WPG before 12h00 on the Monday following the match. It is the responsibility of the clubs to check the

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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.

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 three pools. (A, B & C)

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'.

A minimum of 6 players in the team fall in the Handicap Index range of 12.8 to 16.0 and can be paired in any combination.

9. Format of Competition

The format of the competition shall be Better Ball Match Play with a Handicap Allowance of 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.

Should a course at a venue become unplayable during a match or before a match commences the result at that venue will be a draw, each pair being awarded a halved game. Provided the other venue remains playable, the 4 games played at the other venue shall determine the result.

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. In the event that teams cannot be separated, the result will be decided by lot.

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In the knockout rounds, the matches will be determined by seeding. The winners will advance through to the semi-finals, etc. The quarter and semi-final matches will be played on a home-and-away basis. In the event of a tie the winner of a quarter-final / semi-final match will be determined by the holes count on the day. Should there still be a tie, the higher seeded team will be declared the winner.

The final will be played at a venue arranged by WP GOLF. In the event of a tie, in the Final, the winner will be determined by the holes count on the day. Should there still be a tie each team will nominate a final playing pair to take part in a sudden death play-off for the trophy.

12. Promotion & Relegation

N/A.

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 home course will be King David Mowbray and matches will be played on a Sunday.

Atlantis home course will be Parow, and matches will start from the 10th tee.

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.

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, no changes to the playing order are allowed.

The substitute must be such that the condition that a minimum of 6 players must be in the HI range of 12.8 to 16 is adhered to.

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



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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. <u>Tees</u>

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 Parow and will tee off the 10th tee.

20. Abandoned Play

In the event of play for the day being abandoned, the results of the match will be determined as follows:

- If any match has not completed nine holes, the match will be declared a half.
- The result of matches, where more than nine holes have been completed, will be determined by the state of the match when play is discontinued.

21. Player Advice

Assistance in the form 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.

22. Slow Play

Slow play under <u>Rule 5.6</u> will be strictly enforced. Any player found to be in breach will be penalized in terms of the rules.

23. 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.



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

24. Scorecards & Handicapping

As per the Rules of Handicapping, all scores are to be captured for handicapping purposes, in that;

- a. Score cards are to be kept and player scores verified by marker signature after which all score cards are to be handed to the team captains for further reference.
- b. Players are to capture and enter their scores via the HNA app on a hole-by-hole basis up to the point that the match is concluded then closing the round at that juncture i.e., no scores to be entered for "casual" play after the match is concluded and the HNA app will assign these scores as per the handicap rules.

25. 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.

26. Playing Fees

There are no playing fees.

27. Reimbursement

N/A.

28. Caddies

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

29. <u>Distance Measuring Devices</u>

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

30. 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.

31. Withdrawal

Should a team withdraw or be suspended during the course of the season, along with a 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 been adjusted by the appropriate multiple.

32. Drug Free Sport (Anti-Doping Policy)

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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)

33. Disputes

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

34. Changes

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

35. Version

This version of the Harry Solomon League Rules supersedes all previous versions and is effective from Monday, 25 April 2022.





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ANNEXURE 1

Course	Length (m)	Tee & Par	Course Rating	Stroke Rating
Atlantic Beach	5 866	72	71.0	123
Bellville	5 814	72	71.6	132
Clovelly	5 780	72	71.3	126
Durbanville	5 957	72	72.3	133
KD Mowbray	6 020	72	71.7	124
Kuilsrivier	5 767	72	70.5	118
Metropolitan	5 699	70	69.9	115
Milnerton (Par 72)	5 975	72	72.4	122
Parow	5 995	72	71.8	126
Rondebosch	5 592	72	69,8	124
Royal Cape	5 709	72	70.5	127
Somerset West	5 665	72	70.6	128
Steenberg	5 844	72	71.0	125
Strand	5 997	72	72.0	123
Westlake	5 867	71	71.2	123