



NORFOLK COUNTY GOLF UNION

COUNTY AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP & CLUB TEAM CHALLENGE SHIELD

TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. These Terms of Competition are to be read in conjunction with the Norfolk County Golf Union (NCGU) Rules and Regulations as they currently appear on the NCGU website.
2. The **County Amateur Championship** shall be played annually on a date and at a venue to be determined by the NCGU.
3. If the Championship must be cancelled or abandoned due to weather conditions, it shall be rearranged or cancelled as decided by the NCGU Board.
4. The Rules of Golf, plus the England Golf Hard Card and any Local Rules of the host venue on the day of the Championship, shall apply.
5. The Championship shall be open to all male members of any Golf Club affiliated to the NCGU on the day(s) of the Championship and will be played from the competition medal tees of the day(s).
6. Day One of the Championship will take the form of 36 holes scratch stroke play. The leading 20 players and ties will qualify for 18 holes scratch stroke play on Day Two.
7. Players may only enter the Championship online through Golf Genius and only before the advertised closing date. Any entries received after the closing date will only be considered if the maximum number of entrants has not been achieved.
8. The entry fee, as decided and specified by the NCGU Board, must be paid online at the time of entering the Championship.

Any refunds in respect of withdrawals will only be granted subject to notice of such withdrawals being received up to, and not beyond, the closing date. Any refunds in respect of withdrawals after the closing date will only be considered by the NCGU Board if there is a reserve entry available.

9. Entries for this Championship will be limited to payers with a WHS Handicap Index of no greater than **7.0** on the entry closing date. Entries may be limited at the discretion of the NCGU and, if entries exceed the limit, players with higher WHS Handicap Indexes shall be eliminated by ballot.
10. Players shall be advised of their starting tee-time no later than seven days in advance of the Championship.
11. Play in the Championship shall be in groups of 2 or 3-balls.
12. Where a player unsure how to proceed under the rules of the Championship, he may choose to complete a hole under the two-ball rule without penalty, in accordance with the Rules of Golf. At the end of the round, the player should advise the Competition Administrator and ask for a ruling before signing and submitting their scorecard.
13. Scorecards must be returned to the Competition Administrator immediately at the end of each round.
14. The winner of the **Championship Trophy** shall be the player returning the lowest scratch score over 54 holes. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by a sudden-death play-off.
15. The winner of the Championship shall be awarded the Championship Trophy and will qualify to represent Norfolk in the **England Golf Champion of Champions Competition** held in that calendar year.

Prize vouchers shall be awarded to the winner, runner-up and places as determined by the NCGU.

16. The **Club Team Challenge Shield** shall be played in conjunction with this Championship.
17. Clubs may enter any number of teams, each consisting of three players, for an entry fee decided and specified by the NCGU.
18. Details of the team entries, including payment of the entry fee, must be made to the Competition Administrator in advance of the commencement of the Championship.
19. The lowest aggregate of all three scratch scores shall be used to determine the winning team.

In the event of a tie, the winning team will be determined by the lowest scratch score of all three players combined on countback, being the best 9, 6, 3 and 1 holes on the back nine of the second round and, if still tied, the best 6, 3 and 1 holes on the front nine of the second round.
20. The winning team shall receive the Club Team Challenge Shield and prize vouchers as determined by the NCGU, and the winning Club will qualify to represent Norfolk in the **England Golf Champion of Champions Competition** held in that calendar year.