

Stellenbosch Golf Club

RULES & REGULATIONS FOR KNOCK-OUT CHAMPIONSHIPS 2018

1. The championships is limited to ordinary (full) male members of Stellenbosch Golf Club and are played on a hole-by-hole **stroke play** basis over 18 holes with the winners of each round going through to the next round.
R100 entrance fee per player for the Singles Knock Out and R200 per team must be paid upon entry – **NO entry will be accepted without payment. (payment must be done in the Pro Shop)**
2. A player must use his course handicap as per the SAGA Handicap Guide.
3. Knock-out competitions will strictly be played **under the rules of stroke play** and may, if both competitors agree, be played concurrently with other stroke play competitions arranged by the club.
4. During knock out games players must agree from the tee they will play during the round.
5. During knock-out competitions, the reckoning (calculation) is done on a hole-by-hole basis. The competitor with the lowest handicap goes down to “scratch”, all other competitors receive strokes equal to the difference in handicaps. The strokes are taken on holes stroked i.e. 1, 2, 3, etc and the player / team scoring the lowest net score wins the hole. The player / team winning the most holes wins the knock-out round. **(Competitors are reminded that although the method of reckoning appears similar to that employed in match play, the knock-out competitions are played on a stroke play basis and all strokes MUST be played strictly in accordance with the rules of stroke play. The reckoning is just an arithmetical procedure applied to the stroke play scores.)**
6. Competitions in each round must be played **BEFORE OR ON THE APPLICABLE DATE** indicated on the draw schedule, which will be posted on the notice board. After play of each competition, **THE CORRECT RESULT MUST BE WRITTEN** on the draw schedule. If no result is entered by the deadline or if a result is altered after it has been entered, both competitors/ teams will be subject to disqualification, depending on the outcome of the Tournament Committee’s decision.
7. The deadline dates for each round will strictly be adhered to. **UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL EXTENSIONS BE GRANTED TO PLAYERS FOR ANY REASON WHATSOEVER. UNLESS OTHERWISE DETERMINED BY THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE.**

8. In the Better Ball Knock-Out, the better ball team originally entered cannot be replaced by alternates. Should a player be forced to withdraw, his partner may continue the knock-out on his own, but no substitutes will be allowed.
9. A knock-out competition which is halved after 18 holes, will be decided by a sudden death play-off starting from hole number one or, as per alternative arrangement by the Tournament Committee. The play-off is played under the same rules as the knock-out competition.
10. The knock-out championships are normally completed in an amicable and sporting spirit and the committee prefers not to get involved in matters concerning the arrangement of suitable dates for competitions between individual competitors. Players are urged to arrange their competitions well in advance and to be pliable and accommodating in order to facilitate such arrangements and avoid disputes. All matches must be played at Stellenbosch Golf Club.
11. In the past a tendency was observed where certain players were reluctant to accommodate their opponents and was then successful in advancing to the following round(s) without playing any competitions. This phenomenon will be closely monitored and in cases where opponents cannot agree on a suitable date and the dispute is in good time referred for arbitration, the competitor(s) who can substantiate availability for the larger number of suitable dates is likely to be favored.
12. Disputes which can be settled under the above rules will be arbitrated by the organizer of the championships or his delegate, while more serious disputes will be referred to the Tournament Committee. The decision of the Tournament Committee will be final and no further appeals will be allowed.
13. All competitors entering for the knock-out championships implicitly agree to the acceptance of these rules. It should be emphasized that the above procedure is the **ONLY** way of settling disputes. A serious breach of this rule will be referred to the Tournament Committee and may lead to disqualification.

Tournament Committee: Chris van der Merwe & Louis Destroo & Peter Hill