



# **RULES & REGULATIONS FOR KNOCK-OUT MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP 2025**

## **ELIGIBILITY**

All Full members, 5 Day Members, 6 Day Members and Senior categories of the aforementioned memberships of Stellenbosch Golf Club are allowed to enter the competition.

## **FORMAT**

Games are played on a **Match Play** basis over 18 holes with the winners of each round going through to the next round.

There will be a Single and a Better-ball Knock-Out Competition.

Eligible members can elect to play in either the Single competition, the Betterball competition or both.

## **ENTRANCE FEES**

Singles Knock -Out: R200 per player

Betterball Knock-Out: R500 per team

**No Entry will be accepted without payment.**

## **HANDICAP**

Each player is entitled to make use of his or her full handicap (100%) as per the SAGA Handicap Guide.

## **RULES**

The Knock-Out will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as published in the "R&A Decisions on the Rules of Golf" publication 2023 and in accordance with the Local Rules of the golf club, approved by the Tournament Committee.

## **DAYS OF PLAY**

Matches can only be played on days when all players are eligible in terms of their playing rights.

Should Full members play a knock-out game (singles or better ball) during the Wednesday or Saturday competition, players will not be allowed to participate in the competition of the day as the rules of match play differ significantly to those of stroke play.



### DATES OF PLAY

Matches in each round must be played **BEFORE OR ON THE APPLICABLE DATE** indicated on the draw schedule, which will be posted on the noticeboard.

The deadline dates for each round must be strictly adhered to.  
**NO EXTENSIONS WILL BE GRANTED**

### RECORDING OF RESULTS

After playing each match, scorecards and the result must be provided to the pro shop staff.

If no result is provided by the deadline or if a result is altered after it has been provided, both competitors / teams will be subject to disqualification, depending on the outcome of the Tournament Committee's decision.

### RECORDING OF ROUNDS

Notwithstanding the rules of Match play, all rounds are to be registered, completed and entered in the HNA score capture system.

### TEAM MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

In the Better Ball competition, the 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.

### PLAYOFFS

A match 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-offs are played under the same rules of Match play.

### SPIRIT OF COMPETITION

Matches and arrangements of dates and times are to be held in an amicable and sporting spirit and the committee prefers not to get involved in matters concerning the suitable dates.

Players are urged to arrange their matches 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.

In the past a tendency was observed where certain players were reluctant to accommodate their opponents which resulted in them advancing to the following round(s) without playing any matches.



Players or teams moving forward without playing a match will be closely monitored and in cases where opponents cannot agree on a suitable date and time must be referred to the Competitions Committee for arbitration. The Committee will favor those players who have proposed the most dates to play.

The decision of the Tournament Committee will be final, and no further appeals will be allowed.

#### ACCEPTANCE

All competitors entering for the knock-out championships agree to the acceptance of these rules.

#### BREACH

It should be emphasized that the above procedure is the **ONLY** way of settling disputes. A breach of these rules will be referred to the Tournament Committee and may lead to disqualification.

#### DISCRETION

The Tournament Committee has the discretion to alter or amend these rules and will do so by publishing a notice on the General Notice board located opposite the Men's changing room.

### **Tournament Committee**

Louis Destroo & Richard Stevens