



JUNIOR INTERCLUB LEAGUE

Rules Governing Play - Effective 1 April 2024



01: An Inter Club Junior League shall be held annually for which each golf club affiliated to the Nottinghamshire Union of Golf Clubs may enter one [1] team (see 06 below) comprising five [5] players, boys, or girls.

02: There will be no entry fee for the tournament.

03: The Inter Club Junior League will be subdivided into two [2] or three [3] divisions depending on entries. The composition of each division will be determined by the Junior League Committee.

04: The series of matches within each division must be completed by 30 September at the latest. Each match shall consist of 5 games. It is the responsibility of the home team Junior Organiser to contact, organise and agree with the opposing Junior Organiser every aspect of their home game, and to confirm arrangements within 7 days of each home match.

05: Any disputes in arranging fixtures should be settled by the team junior organisers. If agreement is not reached, then the dispute must be referred to the Junior League Committee whose decision will be final.

06: A Club is entitled to put more than one team into the Junior League if they believe they have enough players to compete for the season. At the start of the season the JO will decide the names of players who will compete in each team for the season. The names of the players will be submitted to the Secretary of the Junior League before the 1st of April (commencement of the season) along with the details of the team they will compete in ie Team A, Team B etc. Once the season commences the players from Team A will only be allowed to play for that team. However, players from Team B will be able to play for Team A if they are short of players. The Manager of the Junior League will be able to monitor from the result sheets submitted to him/her.
Clubs who enter more than one team into the League will be placed in different Divisions.

07: The competition will be decided by singles match play, played over eighteen holes [18]. The lowest handicap player shall concede strokes to his / her opponent, based on the full difference between the Course Handicaps. The winner of each match shall be determined in accordance with Rule 3 of the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Rules Limited.
The maximum handicap limit on all matches shall be as follows – Maximum Boys Playing Handicap 36; maximum Girls Playing Handicap 36

08: The new Rules of Handicapping now include “Course Rating minus Par” when calculating a Course Handicap.
When playing individual Matchplay from different tees, an adjustment is made to take account of the difference in Par on each tee set.

EXAMPLE

Boys play from White Tees and Girls play from Red Tees.

White Tee – Par 72

Red Tee – Par 75

Players from the Red Tees have 3 strokes added to their Course Handicap to obtain their Playing Handicap.

The number of strokes available to any player is 100% of the difference in Playing handicaps.

09: Points shall be awarded to each team in accordance with the following:

Win: Three [3] points

Halved match: One [1] point

Loss: Zero [0] points.

If a team is unable to field 5 players, they shall forfeit the game(s) which are unplayed.

Any Club which forfeits more than 1 match shall be removed from the League and any matches already played shall be deleted.

10: If, at the end of the series of matches, two or more teams are tied on points, final positions will be determined by the difference in the "for" and "against" columns in the league table. If a result cannot be determined by this method, then the result of the individual match, or matches, between the teams involved will be used to determine the winner. If a winner cannot be determined by the tie-breaking methods described above, then the teams involved will play-off over a neutral course on a date arranged by the Nottinghamshire Union of Golf Clubs.

11: At the end of the season, the top 2 teams in each divisional league will go forward to a final to be played at a neutral course where the overall winner will be decided. The format of play for the final will be determined by the Junior League Committee. In the event of a tie, the team will elect one player to play sudden death until a result is established.

12: Team Captains shall exchange a written list of players, and order of play, in Handicap Index order, prior to commencement of play. A copy of those player lists must be forwarded to the Junior League so that player handicaps can be validated via the Central Database of Handicaps.

13: A golf club may make changes to its team for any, or all, of the rounds of the competition providing the players substituted comply with the rules of the competition.

14: In order to be eligible to represent a golf club a player must be of amateur status as defined by the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the Royal and Ancient Rules Limited, and be a member of that golf club, and must be under the age of 18 years on the 1st January in the year of the competition. For the purpose of the competition, the players must hold a WHS Handicap Index.

15: Competitors may only represent one [1] golf club during the calendar year of the competition but must not be restricted from playing for any club at which they are a member.

16: In the event a member of a team is not present to commence play at the appointed time they shall be subject to a penalty in accordance with Rule 5 - 3 of the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Rules Limited.

17: In the event of a match not commencing due to a team failing to report for play on the appointed day, then the non-offending team shall be awarded three [3] points for the win and a score of 4 - 0 recorded. The offending team will be penalised by the deduction of three [3] points from its overall points total.

18: In the event of a match being postponed due to inclement weather or bad light, the match shall be replayed as soon as practically possible. The Junior League Committee of the Nottinghamshire Union of Golf Clubs must be informed of any such decision as soon as practically possible.

19: Disputes regarding the fitness of the course of play shall be settled by the team junior organisers who should endeavour to reach agreement. In the event that agreement cannot be reached then play shall be suspended and the matter referred to the Junior League Committee for a decision.

20: The winners of each division shall receive a Shield to recognise their success and the winner of the final will receive a Trophy, all will be presented on the day of the final.

21: The use of Caddies is strictly prohibited. The use of motorised ride-on golf carts by competitors is strictly prohibited, unless they are required on medical grounds and are supported by a medical certificate, and only providing the Club allows the use of motorised ride-on golf carts.

22: All matches shall be governed in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Rules Limited, and the local rules of the golf course over which the match is to be played, providing such local rules do not contradict the Rules and Conditions governing play as detailed above.

23: It is the duty of both club Junior Organisers to submit the match results using WhatsApp to the Junior League Manger copied to the Junior Leaguer NUGC Representative. These results must be submitted as soon as practically possible, preferably on the day following the match. Please note that results for completed matches will not be incorporated into the league tables until these sheets are received.

24: Light refreshments [e.g. jacket potato and filling, sandwiches, and chips, etc.] for up to sixteen [16] persons, will be provided by the host golf club following the conclusion of each match.

25: The Junior League Committee for 2024 shall comprise the following members: -

Martin Richardson – Junior League Manager
Ade Bexon – Junior League Committee Member
Iain St John – Junior League Committee Member
Rob Sallis – NUGC Junior League Representative

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