



Bramshott Hill Golf Club

Competitions Rules

1. Competitions will be run by
 - a. The Governance Board for competitions open to all members
 - b. The Ladies section for Ladies competitions
 - c. The Men's section for Men's competitions
 - d. The Seniors section for senior's competitions
 - e. All sections may operate mixed competitions open to members across some or all sections
2. All entrants to a BHGC competition must be a fully paid-up member of the club.
3. Competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf and the Rules of Handicapping. There may be deviation from this for specific 'fun' competitions that will not count for handicap as agreed by the relevant committee.
4. All club members will be expected to play with and support new or less able players, to the benefit of them and the club as a whole (e.g., avoidance of slow play, understanding the rules of golf etc.).
5. Competition finances, including the collection of entry fees, and distribution of prizes will be completed by the relevant section running the competition. Prize money will be worked out on a 60:40 split, with 40% being retained for the running of the relevant section.
6. Competition winnings can take the form of:
Prizes, vouchers, or credit (paid into a member's credit account)
Cash or refunds from a credit account to the value of the prize may not be given.
7. Handicaps for all competitions shall be using their WHS Handicap Index and in an authorised format of play as identified by England Golf 'Playing Handicap – Mandatory Allowances Table.
8. Each section will detail the terms of reference for each competition they run, identifying the following:
 - a. Format of play
 - b. Handicap allowance
 - c. Entry fee
 - d. Qualifying cards (if required)
 - e. Other rules of the competition
9. Start times and draws for the competitions will be notified to entrants via the appropriate system. It is the responsibility of each golfer to check the system and to be on the tee ready to play 10 minutes before the allocated time.

10. Cut off dates in all knockout competitions will be set and it is the responsibility of each golfer to play before the cut off. Extension to cut off dates will only be given in very exceptional circumstances by the relevant committee, this does not include ill health, injuries or holidays. Each committee reserves the right to refuse any request for an extension.
11. All rounds of golf, where it is for handicapping purposes, either in a competition or as a general play round, once started should be completed and scores submitted using the appropriate system, as detailed in the Rules of Handicapping. It is the responsibility of each golfer to return their score card in a timely manner and before midnight. Where extenuating circumstances result in a round that has been started, not being completed e.g., ill health or urgent family care, the relevant handicap secretary should be informed by midnight and the appropriate rule will be applied.
12. Competitions may only be cancelled where the course is closed due to weather conditions making it unplayable and it will remain that way for the rest of the day. Where it will be closed for a short time e.g., for thunder and lightning, the competition will continue.
13. No member will be included in a competition without prepayment of their entry fee to the appropriate committee and they must pre-register their intention to play (e.g., by entering on Howdidido). Playing without payment and/or pre-registration will result in disqualification.
14. Junior members under the age of 14 may only play in competitions with an adult member (over 18) to attest their score card.
15. Any dispute over the results of a competition, shall, in the first instance be resolved by the relevant committee. Where they are not able to resolve the issue, or where the golfer(s) wish to appeal the decision, it should be referred to the Governance Board for resolution. If the issue is still not resolved the England Golf Procedure should then be used.
16. Buggies may be used in competition play by those covered under disability within the meaning of section 6 of The Equality Act 2010 and where the Course Operator (currently Mytime Active) allows it. Authorisation should be obtained from the Board, using the application form published on our website.

Please note that permission to use a golf buggy due to temporary injuries including broken bones, pulled or damaged muscles or ligaments, are not covered by the Equality Act unless they have/will last more than 12 months but may be considered. Permission granted to a player will not set a precedent for other players and the individual circumstance of each player will be considered on a case-by-case basis. A medical certificate may be required before permission is given.

If you are given permission to use a buggy, you may only share it with another player if they have permission as well. It is also not acceptable to carry another players clubs unless they have such authorisation.

Any player who already has authorisation prior to the introduction of this policy will retain the right to continue using a buggy.

17. Hole In One - for a hole in one to qualify for a place on the honours board, the following criteria must be met:
 - a. The competition must be a stroke play competition meeting the requirements of an acceptable card, for handicap purposes
 - b. It must be a BHGC Club competition, verified on Howdidido (Club V1).
 - c. The card must be submitted to the Section Handicap Secretary who will inform the Club Administrator.All conditions must be met for the name to be added to the honours board.