



WESTERN DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED A0062389Z
PENNANT RULES AND CONDITIONS
SEASON 2020.

1. **Conditions of entry.** Any player taking part in the Pennant Competition, must have *amateur status* and be a bona-fida member of the club he/she represents. No player may represent more than one (1) club during the competition in any one (1) year without prior approval of the Match Committee.

2. **Team composition**
 - 2.1. **Scratch Pennant.**

All matches in Mens Division 1, 2, & 3, will be played in teams of (7) players. Individual matches to be played in reverse order of team listing. The number seven (7) in player playing first and the number one (1) player playing last.

 - 2.1.1. If a Club which has two or more teams in the same Scratch Division after the first round only the Numbers six (6) and sevens (7) player in Team 1 can be swapped between the two (2) teams. There is no restriction on Team 2.
 - 2.1.2. Scratch Divisions will be allocated on promotion and relegation.

Winning teams in Division 2 and Division 3 Scratch will be promoted and bottom teams in Division 1 and Division 2 Scratch will be relegated.
 - 2.2. **Handicap Pennant**

Will be played in teams of five (5) players. The number five (5) player (highest handicap) playing first and the number one (1) player (lowest) playing last.

3. **Maximum Handicap** in the Men's Handicap Pennant is 36 and 45 for women.

4. **Team Sheet** In all Handicap Division's the players GA Handicap must be recorded on the Team Sheet in the appropriate place provided, together with playing daily handicap on which the match is being played.

5. **Captain of the Day.** The host club must provide a Captain of the Day. The number 1 player of both competing teams is to assume the responsibility of the tee stewards and ensure that players are at the relevant tee at the appropriate time.

6. **Team Sheet completion.** The Team Captain will be responsible to hand the team sheet to the Captain of the day no later than thirty (20) minutes prior to the teams advertised starting time.

Penalty.

 - 6.1. The number seven (7) player loses the first hole in Scratch Division Pennant and
 - 6.2. the number five (5) player loses the first hole in Handicap Pennant.

7. **Time of play.** Matches will be played as they appear in the draw and will commence at the times stated on the sheet.

8. **Late arrivals.** Players arriving late on the tee will be penalised as follows: Up to five (5) minutes late, lose 1st hole, up to ten (10) minutes late, lose 2nd hole, up to fifteen (15) minutes late, lose



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3rd hole, more than fifteen (15) minutes late, lose the match. Penalty walkover 5/4 recorded.

9. **Abandonment of contests.** In all cases of inclement weather and/or bad course conditions, every effort should be made to complete all contests on the scheduled day. If the Match Committee of the day (Host club, captain and team captains) declares it is not possible then they will determine the outcome.
10. **Qualifying for play.** Any Player to compete in a final match of the Pennant Competition must have played two (2) games in that Division. For a Division with only 4 matches the player must have played 1 (one) match in that Division.
 - 10.1. Any player, in Men's Pennant after playing more two (2) games in any higher division may not play in a lower division during the current season. Once ladies have played two games in a higher division they also are unable to play in a lower Division.
11. **If match is square** after 18 holes, match will continue until a result is reached. (With strokes being given).
12. **Tie of Match.** In the event of two (2) teams tying with the same number of contests being equal and the number of individual matches won being equal the matter is a decision, based on a countback of holes.
13. **Forfeits.** In case of a match being forfeited a 5/0 and 7/0 result is to be recorded on the Official Result Sheet.
14. Men's Pennant on all nine (9) hole courses matches are to be played in fours, the first group will be a two (2) the numbers seven's (7's) or five's (5's) as the case maybe then all other groups will be four's (4's) following on in order as mentioned previously, with no two (2) players from the same club in the same group.

Women's Pennant only. Multiple tees to be used for commencement of games. The host club will nominate the tees to be used. All matches to be played using the Australian Match Index.
15. **Rules** queries that cannot be resolved on the day can be referred to the WDGA Match Committee.
16. **Afternoon Tea** (sandwiches and slice/fruit) will be provided by the host club, for which visiting Team Captain's will be responsible for the overall cost of seventy dollars (\$70.00) for teams of seven (7) and fifty dollars (\$50.00) for teams of five (5). Those Clubs who make pre-match luncheon facilities available should notify competing teams accordingly when advising starting times.

Ladies East Zone no money exchanges hands, West Zone \$10 per head.



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- 17. Forfeits** lodged after 5.00pm on the Friday prior to any pennant match in question will tender the forfeiting team responsible for the catering costs of both teams involved where applicable. One hundred and forty dollars (\$140.00) teams of seven (7) and one hundred dollars (\$100.00) **teams of five (5).**

- 18. Results.** The Captain of the Day on whose course the matches are being played, is required to complete and sign the official Result Sheet then **email it to wdgassociation@gmail.com**

- 19. Communication of results** will be displayed on the WDGA website.
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- 20. Pennant finals** after match catering to consist of sandwiches and slice/fruit at a cost of \$15 per head including caddies.

Reference: Golf Australia 2019 Victorian Pennant Handbook.