

Dear Member

Following a recent handicap review, a few anomalies have been identified.

Below is some guidance when submitting a card for handicap purposes.

- a) All rounds must be pre-approved either via the EG App or in the Pro shop.
- b) All rounds must be witnessed and signed for by both parties on completion.
- c) All rounds must be completed to the point of putting out, any hole not holed out must be annotated as 0.
- d) Incorrectly completing rounds/ signing for the wrong score may render the card invalid and may be investigated by the handicap committee if it is deemed intentional.
- e) No rounds can be submitted whilst the course is shortened for maintenance or playing off mats/ winter tees (it is being investigated if the course can be mapped for the mats for next year).
- f) Cards cannot be submitted for team events like Bowmaker, Betterball, Matchplay (individual and pairs) or Scrambles etc. Cards can only be submitted for individual stroke play events. Any query should be brought to the attention of the Pro Shops staff prior to playing.
- g) If the course is closed, it is closed for a reason and must NOT be played.

Examples of issues identified are:

- a) There are a significant number of rounds (approximately 250) that have been uploaded whilst the course was playing off winter mats, these rounds will be removed from members accounts. This was the advice of EG.
- b) There are instances being reported of people inputting social cards which have included "Gimmies" this means the hole was not completed and should be registered as a NR. If too many shots have been taken on a hole, then a 0 can be submitted, this is the same as during club competitions, this will still allow the card to be used for handicap adjustment.
- c) Instances have been noted where retrospective cards are being submitted following a good round or winning a friendly roll up. This is not the correct process as all cards should be pre-approved before the round and all holes played to completion.
- d) A card was found to have been submitted when the course is closed, whilst this were not KH member it shows that it is possible to make errors when submitting cards via the EG App and as such care must be taken. It is your responsibility to ensure scorecards are correct at the point of submission.

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