

R&A 9 HOLE CHALLENGE 2024 TERMS OF COMPETITION

CLUB QUALIFYING COMPETITION CONDITIONS

Eligibility

- 1. The competition is open to all Wales Golf affiliated clubs who have a designated 9-hole course which has been officially rated by Wales Golf*.
- 2. The competition is open to male and female players who are members of a club affiliated to Wales Golf.
- 3. Each player must be an amateur golfer having an official WHS Handicap Index
- 4. A player may enter from more than 1 club but in the event of winning more than 1 club qualifying competition they will have to choose which club they wish to be included in the 'league table' of scores maintained by Wales Golf.

Format (Option 1 - Club Qualifier)

- 1. The format of the event will be 9 holes of individual stableford. This can be a standalone 9-hole event or run in conjunction with an existing 9-hole club competition. All participating clubs are asked to encourage Ready Golf for the qualifying round.
- 2. Players will play in teams of two. Each team may consist of any combination of male or female players. Players under the age of 18 may play but each team can only include one player under the age of 18.
- 3. Each player will receive their Course Handicap & handicap allowance in accordance with the rules of the World Handicap System. This will ensure that the 9-hole stableford scores are comparable between male and female players.
- 4. The team score is calculated by adding each team member's 9-hole stableford points score together to create a combined total.

Format (Option 2 - Nomination)

- 1. Clubs may nominate the two players who have scored the lowest nett 9-hole score between the 1st January 2024 & 31st May 2024 when playing 9 holes at their club and submitting the score to their WHS handicap record.
- 2. In the event of a tie for the top 2 players, the qualifiers for the All-Wales Final will be decided by calculating the team score over the last 6/3/1 hole (s) in turn as required. If a tie still exists a hole-by-hole card play-off starting from hole 1 will be used.

Substitutions

In the event a substitution of a player is required, the second-place team (club qualifier) or third place individual (nomination) should be substituted.

Submission of scores and All Wales Final entry

Clubs must submit the winning score from their qualifying competition via the online entry portal on the Wales Golf website by the entry date provided on the registration page.

* To apply for a 9 hole rating for your course please email Wales Golf at handicapping@walesgolf.org