

RULES FOR DE PAULA CUP

Scratch Competition

1. The De Paula Cup shall be administered by an Organising Committee of three members appointed by the County Committee.
2. Competitors must be members of the Hertfordshire County Ladies Golf Association.
3. Members with a Playing Handicap of 10 – 20 shall be eligible to enter. Entries shall be limited to the 32 lowest handicaps who apply. In the event of a tie for 32nd place this shall be decided by Exact Handicaps (as on entry form) and after that by a ballot. (An entrant **who alters her handicap before the closing date for entries must notify the Organiser immediately**). The allocation of reserves will be the lowest handicap reserve on the day of the vacancy.
4. Entry fee: **£18.00 (£8.00 Cadets** (*under 23 on 1 January in the year of the competition*) and Juniors). Entry fees will not be refunded after the closing date.
5. The Organising Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without assigning a reason.
6. The De Paula Cup shall be a match play competition played off scratch. Competitors must be prepared to play for the duration of the Competition.
7. The Organising Committee reserves the right to alter the length of the Competition at its discretion.
8. Any competitor who is not on the first tee at her advertised time of start renders herself liable to disqualification under Rule 6-3. In the absence of circumstances which would warrant the waiving of the penalty of disqualification under Rule 33-7, if the player arrives at her starting point, ready to play, within five minutes of her starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is loss of the first hole to be played, instead of disqualification. The Organising Committee shall have powers to delay the time of start of any competitor or competitors.
9. Competitors may not engage a professional or assistant professional golfer as a caddie.
Penalty for breach – disqualification.
10. The use of distance measuring devices is permitted **except a device which measures anything other than distance will not be permitted even if the other functions are switched off.**
11. Players shall walk at all times unless permitted to ride by the Organising Committee.
Penalty for breach of condition: Match play – At the conclusion of the hole at which the breach is discovered, the state of the match shall be adjusted by deducting one hole for each hole at which a breach occurred. Maximum deduction per round: two holes. Use of any unauthorised form of transportation shall be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise the player shall be disqualified.
12. All disputes during the competition shall be settled by the Organising Committee whose decision shall be final.

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