

# Team Betterball (3 Players)

## Formats of Play & Terms of the Competitions

*"It is the responsibility of each player to know and follow the Terms of the Competition".*

*The competitions shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and Local Rules approved by the Committee.*

1. **NON-QUALIFYING COMPETITIONS** - Handicap Indexes will not be affected.
2. **ELIGIBILITY:**
  - **PLAYERS** – Players must be members of Thorney Lakes Golf Club.
  - **HANDICAP INDEX** – Players must have a Handicap Index.
  - **NOTE** – Members who have not completed the 54 holes required for their initial Handicap Index allocation are NOT eligible to enter these competitions.
3. **HOW TO ENTER** - Teams are organised and entered by the players themselves.
4. **TEE TIMES** – Tee times for this competition must be booked through the Pro-Shop.
5. **ENTRANCE FEES** – Paid on the day in the Pro Shop. Players must collect the specially prepared scorecard before proceeding to the first tee.
6. **FORMATS OF PLAY:**
  - **BETTERBALL (Stableford)** – A form of Strokeplay. Points are awarded for each hole by comparing the number of strokes you have taken (including strokes made and penalty strokes) to the fixed target score for the hole which is Par.
  - **NOTE** – Players' attention is drawn to Rule 10.2b (4) of the Rules of Golf. Players must not deliberately stand in a location on or close to an extension of the line of play behind the ball for any reason. Players are also reminded that the line of play does not extend beyond the hole.
7. **TEAM FORMAT:**
  - Teams must consist of three players
8. **SCORING FORMAT:**
  - Aggregate Stableford Points – Best 2 scores from 3 to count on all Par 4s. All scores to count on Par 3s & Par 5s.
9. **HANDICAP ALLOWANCE** = 85% of the player's Course Handicap.
  - **NOTE** – These competitions are subject to Course Handicap Limit of 18 (Handicap Index 17.8)
10. **STROKE INDEXES** – Players will use the stroke indexes relative to the tees being used.

11. **SCORECARD RESPONSIBILITIES, PLAYERS & MARKERS** – Before submitting a scorecard, players' attention is drawn to Rule 3.3b of the Rules of Golf which gives specific guidance on scorecard responsibilities in handicap stroke-play. Any breach of this rule is disqualification.
12. **COURSE TEES** – Men will play from the White Tees. Players with a Handicap Index allocated from the Red Course must play from the Red Tees.
  - **NOTE** - Players using the Red Tees will receive an additional 0.3 strokes to their course handicap to reflect difference in course ratings between the White & Red courses before the playing handicap calculation is applied.
13. **ORDER OF PLAY** – All competitions will start from the 1<sup>st</sup> tee. Any teams found to be in breach of this term will be disqualified.
14. **NOTE** - All competitions covered in these terms & conditions are played over 18 holes.
15. **When the Result of the Competition is Final** – The result of the competition is FINAL when the competition has been closed by either the Competition Secretary or the Pro-Shop.