

CANTERBURY CENTRAL SHIELD

Conditions of Play

The Central Canterbury Shield is played for by teams drawn from the Central Canterbury Clubs, either club teams or combined teams. The clubs from which the teams are drawn are: Akaroa; Burnham; Charteris Bay; Ellesmere; Greendale; Hororata; Kaituna; Lincoln; Tai Tapu; Weedons.

1. TEAMS

Teams are to consist of four male players.

- a) No player shall play for more than one club each year in the competition.
- b) If a Club enters more than one team in this competition, they cannot interchange players between those teams.
- c) Competitors must be full or life members of the club they play for.
- d) A participating club may have one 'import' player in their Shield team. An import player is someone unable to meet the playing rights criteria specified in Clause 1 (c). However, the import player's home club must be one of the Central Canterbury Clubs **without a Shield team**.
- e) Players are to be named in handicap order on the result sheet and play in that order.
- f) A player's handicap index on the day of the round shall apply.
- g) The Team Captain meeting is the last chance to submit team order.
- h) Teams to be handed in to host club, written on the Team Entry Sheet

2. COURSES

- a) All clubs in Central Canterbury shall be required to make their course available for matches in the competition.
- b) The courses shall be selected by the Match Committee, who will forward to all clubs a Match Programme setting out time and dates of fixtures.

3. CONDITIONS OF PLAY

- a) The competition shall be singles match play off the stick in conjunction with four ball match play over 18 holes.
- b) The team winning the greater number of matches shall receive 2 points. In the case of a draw, both teams receive 1 point.
- c) The matches are to be played on Sundays.
- d) Time of Starting: The players shall start off at the time laid down by the committee. If, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the player arrives at his starting point ready to play within 5 minutes of his start time, the penalty for failure to start on time is loss of the first hole. All afternoon rounds are to start no later than five hours after the morning start time.
- e) Teams winning by default or who have their opponents disqualified shall be awarded four games to nil.
- f) At the end of the Competition, the team securing the highest number of points shall be the winner. In the event of a tie, the winner shall be decided by the highest number of individual matches won over the season. If there is still a tie there will be a play-off by the teams concerned on a neutral course. The date and course is to be selected by the match committee. If there is still a tie there shall be a sudden-death play-off by the top three players, each match proceeding to a conclusion.

4. MATCH COMMITTEE

- a) The Match Committee is appointed by the Central Canterbury Executive Committee.
- b) The Match Committee may deal with any matter not provided for in these rules and its decision is final.
- c) The local rules of the host club are to be observed by the players.



- d) In the event of a decision being required on the day of a match, the matter is to be decided by the members of the Match Committee who are present and any other person whom they wish to co-opt.

5. RESULTS

It shall be the duty of all team captains, whether winning or losing, to complete and sign a results sheet for the match being played. Results must be scanned/mailed to Canterbury Golf to be received no later than the Wednesday following the match.

6. ENTRY FEE

The entry fee for each team is payable to Canterbury Golf at the time the entry is received prior to the start of the competition.

7. PROTESTS

Any protest concerning the result of any match in the Competition must be lodged in writing and reach Canterbury Golf Incorporated by the Wednesday following the match.

8. CODE OF CONDUCT

The Canterbury Golf Code of Conduct (adopted 16 June 2016) applies to all tournaments, interclub and representative matches run by Canterbury Golf. All players are advised to be aware of the provisions of the Code of Conduct. This can be obtained from the Canterbury Golf website or office.

9. LOCAL RULES

The local rules of the club where the matches are being played shall be observed by the competitors.

10. HEALTH & SAFETY - DAILY REQUIREMENTS

- a) The Canterbury Golf Official on duty (eg. Tournament Director or Convenor) is the designated Emergency Officer and Health & Safety Officer for that day.
- b) Where there is no designated person from Canterbury Golf on duty, the Host Club is responsible for nominating a person to take on this role. This may be the Host Club's Team Manager, a Club Committee Member, or other member nominated by the club.
- c) That person will complete the Event Health & Safety Sheet prior to the commencement of play.
- d) All Health & Safety matters or concerns should be addressed immediately and directly to the Canterbury Golf Official on duty. That person is responsible for taking any action required.
- e) All Players, Managers and Officials should be familiar with the NZ Golf "Suspension of Play" procedure documented in the NZ Golf Club Manual Section 5-9. This is summarised below:

How suspensions of play and the resumption are indicated –

1. Normal Suspension of play – three consecutive short notes of a hand siren.
2. Immediate Suspension of play for a dangerous situation – one prolonged note of a hand siren.
3. Resumption of play – two short notes of a hand siren.

Rule 5.7b illustrates what players are permitted to do in each situation after the siren has sounded –

1. Normal Suspension of play
 - a. If the players in a match or group are between the play of two holes (ie. Walking to the next tee) they must not resume play until the resumption siren sounds.
 - b. If the players in a match or group have started the play of a hole, they may either discontinue play immediately or continue play of the hole, provided they do so without delay. Play must be discontinued after the hole has been completed.
2. Immediate Suspension of play for Dangerous Situation
Play must be discontinued immediately following a long blast on the siren. If a player fails to discontinue play immediately, he is disqualified.



Lifting ball when play discontinued – Rule 5.7d

When a player discontinues a hole (either normal suspension or dangerous situation) he should mark the position of his ball and lift it without penalty.

Procedure when play resumed – Rule 5.7c & d

Play must be resumed from where it is discontinued, even if it is a different day. If the marker has moved it must be estimated and the ball placed on the estimated spot.

TROPHIES & CUPS

Canterbury Central Shield – Overall winning team

Grant Lethaby Trophy – most individual wins in competition.

EXTREME WEATHER GUIDELINES

For temperatures 30°C and above, the host club may suspend or abandon play, in accordance with Rule 5.7b. Play should not be cancelled prior to teams arriving at the course and commencing play.

Temperatures should be verified by NZ Met Service or on-course information.

Interclub conditions of play require abandoned matches to be declared null and void as we cannot guarantee alternative dates and courses. However, every effort will be made to reschedule.

PLAYER AND HOST CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES

Host clubs should monitor play and ensure that extra water and drinks are available around the course.

Players should take every possible precaution to manage their golf activities during hot weather. The following guidelines should be observed:

- Wear light coloured, loose fitting clothes with high wicking (absorption) properties that provide for adequate ventilation.
- Wear head covering for shading – full cap/brimmed hat recommended. • Use cart-mounted umbrella for shade.
- Apply sunscreen with a minimum SPF (Sun Protection Factor) rating of 30+. Re-apply at approximately two-hour intervals.
- Frequently consume fluids to avoid dehydration. Don't wait until you are thirsty – it's too late then. Carbohydrate-based sports drinks also replace carbohydrates and electrolytes lost during prolonged activity.