## **DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONSHIP - TERMS OF THE COMPETITION**

## **ENTRY CONDITIONS**

The competition is open to members of affiliated clubs to NLCGA.

The Handicap Index limit will be 14.1 - 22.0, a player whose Handicap Index has increased above the limit will play off the limit for the Competition. Players must have a Handicap Index issued by a 'Golf Club' (as defined in the Rules of Handicapping Book) that is authorised to use the Rules of Handicapping.

A player must have submitted 5 x 18 hole cards or  $10 \times 9$  hole cards or any combination to equal 5 x 18 hole cards within the previous 12 months prior to the competition being played. It is the players responsibility to ensure they meet the qualifying criteria. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.

Clubs will be invited to enter players into the Team Trophy once individual entry has closed.

If the competition is oversubscribed entries with higher Handicap Indices will be balloted out and placed on a waiting list in Handicap Index order.

Entries received after the closing date will be placed on a reserve list and will only be used after the waiting list above has been exhausted.

Cancellations should be advised to the Competition Organiser as soon as possible.

No refund of entry fees will be given for cancellation within 14 days of the competition.

## **COMPETITION CONDITIONS**

The Championship will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews and Local Rules as may be approved by the Competition Organiser.

It will consist of one 18-hole stableford round playing for the Handicap Cup for the best nett score and the Bullard Team Trophy for best two nett scores.

Play will be off the regular Ladies' Competition tees.

If a player arrives at her starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after her starting time, the Competition Organiser will add two strokes to the first hole. Penalty for lateness beyond five minutes, in the absence of circumstances that warrant the waiving of the penalty under Rules of Golf (Rule 5-3), is disqualification.

The Competition Organiser reserves the right to arrange and/or alter starting times.

In the event of adverse weather conditions, the Competition Organiser reserves the right to alter the format of the competition in order to achieve a result. Players need to take responsibility for their own safety.

Motorised buggies are permitted subject to the Transportation Policy of the NLCGA.

Mobile phones are permitted but MUST be set to silent and only used for GPS and emergency calls.

Caddies are permitted. NLCGA request that caddies do not go on the greens. Advice may **only** be given to players by their caddies - Rules of Golf (Rules 10-2 and 10-3).

Players may not engage a professional or assistant professional as a caddie.

In the event of a tie, individual prizes will be decided by card countback, Team Trophy will be shared and team prize provided to both teams.

In all matters, the Competition Organiser's decision is final.