



2024 Terms of Competition

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Section Five

TERMS OF COMPETITION

5.1 Introduction

The Scramble will maintain the highest levels of integrity by strict adherence to the Rules of Golf and the Scramble Rules and Terms of Competition set in place by the PGA. These measures are taken to ensure fairness of play for all golfers and to ensure the Scramble is an enjoyable experience.

5.2 The Scramble Terms of Competition

The PGA will determine all Rules and Terms of Competition associated with the Scramble and will administer these in conjunction with the Royal & Ancient Rules of Golf (R&A), Golf Australia Code of Conduct, specific Scramble Tournament Rules and any Local Rules applicable on the day of the event. All participants of the Scramble by entering the event agree to abide by the Rules and Terms of Competition established and accept the PGA's jurisdiction over the Championship. A list of the Terms of Competition of the Scramble are posted on the official Scramble website at www.thescramble.com.au and will be updated as required.

Acceptance of Rules and Conditions for Entry:

It is the responsibility of each amateur to make certain they are aware of the Scramble Tournament Terms of competition, including rules and policies of R&A and Golf Australia. The submission of a team's entry to participate in the Scramble by way of either online or paper form indicates acceptance and acknowledgement of these conditions for every member of a team.

Results and Qualification:

Should the Scramble Rules Committee become aware of a breach of the Tournament Rules or Terms of Competition by an individual or team after a Local Event has been completed, but before the Regional Final has commenced impacting the eligibility of a team or a penalty to the team score is to be made, this term of competition or penalty must be applied which may result in a change to the provisional results posted on the day, with a different team progressing to the Regional Final.

If, after the Regional Final commences, it is reported to the Scramble Rules Committee that a handicapping or a breach of a Term of Competition has occurred by a team during the Local Event that would have resulted in a team failing to qualify for the Regional Final, the team concerned will be disqualified from the Regional Final.

Should the Scramble Rules Committee become aware of a breach of a Term of Competition by an individual or team after a Regional Final has been completed but before the Championship Final has commenced, resulting in the teams eligibility to compete or if a penalty to the team score is to be made, this Term of Competition or penalty must be applied and may result in a change to the provisional results posted on the day, with a different team progressing to the Championship Final.

If, after the Championship Final commences, it is reported to the Scramble Rules Committee that a handicapping or Term of Competition breach occurred by a team during the Regional Final that would have resulted in a team failing to qualify for the Championship Final, the team concerned will be disqualified from the Championship Final.

1. The PGA reserves the exclusive right to alter dates, venues and rules regarding the management and conduct of the event.
2. On the day that the Local Event is conducted, the Scramble Coordinator at the host venue must certify each entrant's official Golf Australia handicap.
3. All teams and individual participants must conform to the Scramble Handicap Requirements. It is the player's responsibility to ensure that they are playing off the correct handicap on any day of competition. If an amateur is found to have played off an incorrect handicap, deliberately or otherwise, the team may be subject to either a score adjustment or disqualification as determined by the R&A Rules of Golf.
4. The PGA of Australia reserves the right to adjust any team's or individual's handicap at Local Events, Regional

Final and the Championship Final based on their past performance or past scores, or on evidence forthcoming from an examination of handicap records. All teams and individual participants who have qualified for a Regional Final and/or the Championship Final must conform to these Scramble Handicap Requirements.

5. An amateur player may attempt to advance to the Regional Final by competing in more than one Local Event. However, once that amateur has qualified for a Regional Final he/she is no longer eligible to compete for prizes or Regional Final qualification in any further Local Events.

Competing in any subsequent Local Event for prizes or Regional Final qualification will result in the automatic disqualification of that team, and the original qualifying team may also be subject to disqualification (at the discretion of the Scramble Rules Committee). It is the responsibility of the Team to notify the coordinator of their Scramble Event that their team entry is deemed social and they cannot accept any prizes or further Regional Final qualification on that day.

6. Any Team that competed in a Championship Final will be subject to a four (4) stroke penalty at each stage of the event for the following two (2) seasons. The penalty will be applied to the team score on the first hole of the score card. It is the responsibility of the Team to notify the coordinator of their Scramble Event if a penalty is required against their score.

Note: The term **Team** in this Condition refers to more than one (1) of the Championship Final Team Members. Individual members who join three (3) new partners to form a team are not subject to penalty under this Condition.

7. A Team that has won either the Championship Final or the Women's Championship Final will not be eligible to compete in the event as a Team for the following two (2) seasons.

Note: The term Team in this Condition refers to more than one (1) of the Championship Final Team Members. Individual members who join three (3) new partners to form a team are not subject to penalty under this Condition

Penalty for breach of Condition: Team Disqualification.

8. All players qualifying for the Regional Finals or the Championship Final in the 2024 season must have completed a minimum of five (5) individually handicapped competition rounds from 1st February 2024 and 30th September 2024.. Handicap checks will be carried out across all levels of the event.

Note: Conforming Social Scores (CSS), adhoc rounds, NCR's and rounds played outside of an officially handicapped competition are deemed ineligible.

Penalty for breach of Condition: A two (2) stroke penalty will be applied to the team score on the first hole of the scorecard for every player who has not met the requirements. The penalty shall be imposed each round at each level of The Scramble (i.e one two stroke penalty at the Regional Final level; and then again per round at the Championship Final should the team qualify).

9. A handicap verification process will take place at all Regional Final & Championship Final events. Photo ID may be required to be provided by each team member to verify their Golf Australia Handicap.

Failure to provide photo ID when requested: Team Disqualification.

10. All teams that qualify at a host venue from the same event must play in the same Regional Final. Where multiple local events are conducted by a club or facility, the PGA shall allocate Regional Final allocations based on the spread of teams and course availability.

11. Teams who qualify for a Regional Final are required to play on a neutral course, other than at the venue which hosted the Local Event. Any variation to this Condition will be at the discretion of the Scramble Rules Committee.

12. All Regional Final qualifying teams **MUST** provide a non-playing scorer to the Regional Final event.

Penalty for breach of Condition: A one (1) stroke penalty will be applied to the team score on the first hole of

the scorecard for every team who has not met the requirement.

13. Only those PGA Professionals who meet the eligibility criteria as per section 5.3 may take a team to the Regional Final.

14. For Pro-Am Tournaments and Trainee Tournaments, a Player will be permitted to utilise a motorised golf cart only when the Local Rules for the Tournament specifically allows for such or, the Player has received approval to do so through the Policy for Motorised Transportation for PGA of Australia Tournaments.

15. The PGA of Australia reserves the right to suspend teams or individuals from competing in the Scramble pending an investigation of handicapping discrepancies. An amateur who is found to misrepresent his/her handicap or who breaches a Condition of Competition may be disqualified from further play.

16. The Scramble Rules Committee reserves the right to suspend those players who breach Handicap Conditions or Terms of competition from future tournament participation. Where necessary, amateur infractions shall be reported to the applicable State or National bodies.

17. If a Scramble participant has had their handicap assessed to a lower figure by the Scramble Rules Committee, the assessed handicap will be enforced for the remainder of the current season and the following season. However, should the participants Golf Australia handicap be reduced to a figure lower than the assessed handicap, the revised Golf Australia handicap will be used. It is the amateur player's responsibility to inform the coordinator of their Scramble Event of this adjustment.

After the period of the handicap adjustment, the amateur player must apply in writing to the Scramble Rules Committee, who at which point will confirm the official Scramble handicap that will apply.

18. The PGA of Australia may, in its absolute discretion, determine whether to accept or refuse a player's entry into the Scramble at any level of the competition. A Scramble Coordinator may also determine the eligibility criteria for participants entering their specific Local Event.

19. If an amateur player's tournament playing privileges are suspended by a Golf Australia accredited facility, he/she shall be considered ineligible until the suspension has been lifted.

20. The PGA of Australia will not accept Local Event refunds without email verification from the host venue / Scramble Coordinator.

Note: Cancellation policies for Local Events are determined by each individual venue.

21. The PGA of Australia adheres to a refund policy whereby if a participant withdraws from either a Regional Final or a Championship Final within seven (7) days of the official event date, no refund will be given for loss of event related expenses. Event related expenses may include, but are not limited to registration fees and interstate travel expenses for both players and accompanying guests.

22. If an individual wishes to make an appeal against a ruling that has been made, such appeal must be received in writing by the Scramble Rules Committee no later than seven (7) days after the ruling of concern is imposed. Appeals must be submitted using the appropriate appeal form. This form and an outline of the appeal process can be obtained by contacting thescramble@pga.org.au.

5.3 PGA Professional Eligibility

PGA of Australia Members who meet the following Membership classifications are eligible to join a team at the Regional or Championship Final as the Team Professional.

- Life, Full or Semi Active Vocational Member of the PGA of Australia
- PGA Associate (inc those currently enrolled via the Tour Professional Articulation Pathway and ALPG Transition Program)

Note: PGA Associates are subject to approval by the Scramble Rules Committee (see additional information).

PGA of Australia Members who meet all of the following criteria shall be eligible to compete in the Regional or Championship Final as the Team Professional.

Note: The above criteria does not apply to “feature Tour Professionals” at the Championship Final.

- Must not hold a Tournament Exemption Category on the PGA Tour of Australasia (excluding the Category afforded to MPP Invites and Graduate category) or any recognised International Tour at 1 October 2024.
- Must not have finished in the Top 100 of the previous season’s Final Order of Merit on the PGA Tour of Australasia or any other recognised International Tour

The PGA reserves the right to refuse the eligibility of any PGA of Australia Member based on recent results from any recognised International Tour or Official World Golf Ranking as at 1 October 2024.

Additional Information relating to PGA Professional Eligibility and Conduct

All PGA Members invited under the ‘Adopt A Pro’ system must be approved by the PGA in conjunction with the Scramble Rules Committee. It is the relevant PGA State Office responsibility to govern the eligibility of its PGA Members (The Scramble Rules Committee will co-operate fully should a PGA State Office make an enquiry regarding the eligibility of a PGA Member).

PGA Members competing in the Regional Final are required to play on a neutral course, other than the venue which the PGA Member is employed. Any variation to this condition will be at the discretion of the Scramble Rules Committee.

PGA Members are permitted to play in more than one Regional Final. Should the PGA Member win a Regional Final he/ she played as an ‘Adopt A Pro’ they are not automatically eligible to accompany the team to the Championship Final. This is the entitlement of the PGA Member who staged the Local Event.

First year Associates are permitted to play in a Regional Final accompanying their home club only- not as part of the ‘Adopt A Pro’ system, unless approved by the PGA under extenuating circumstances.

Any PGA Associate participating must successfully completed all components of their current Associate year as per the PGA Associate Rules and Regulations.

PGA Members are reminded that whilst playing in any Scramble, they are, as in other tournaments, participating under the Member Regulations of the PGA of Australia. Professionals play off a scratch handicap.

PGA Members accompanying a team to the Regional Final and to the Championship Final are the Team Captain. It is their responsibility to adhere to all Terms of Competition and to mark and sign the team’s scorecard in accordance with the Scramble Tournament Terms of Competition and the Rules of Golf.

5.4 Handicap Requirements — Local Events

To be eligible to compete in the Scramble all amateur players must hold an official Golf Australia handicap. Players with a Golf Australia handicap that has been set to provisional are not eligible to participate in the Scramble.

An amateur's player's approved handicap must reflect his/her potential playing ability.

All players must use their **OFFICIAL** GA Handicap on the day of the Local Event (not any Club Handicap).

Note: Host Clubs have the right to refuse entry to any player.

The maximum GA Handicap is 54.0 for males and females.

The maximum Daily Handicap is 36 for males and 45 for females.

The four team members' aggregate GA Handicap must total at least 32.0. The maximum team aggregate GA Handicap is 132.0.

A maximum of two single figure handicap (9.9 or less) players based on individual's GA Handicap are allowed in each team on the day of the Local/District Event.

For Example:

8.7 + 11.1 + 1.4 + 10.2	= 31.4	(ineligible)
13.5 + 12.7 + 8.3 + 2.4	= 36.9	(eligible)
2.3 + 11.7 + 25.3 + 27.2	= 66.5	(eligible)
1.3 + 5.7 + 9.9 + 28.7	= 45.6	(ineligible, team consisting of more than two single figure handicappers)
39.6 + 35.1 + 23.5 + 43.5	= 141.7	(ineligible, team aggregate GA Handicap must not exceed 132.0)

To determine the net score on the day of the Local Event, team members' GA Handicaps are adjusted as per the Slope Rating of the tees being played from to determine their Daily Handicaps. The aggregate Daily Handicap is divided by 8 to determine the team Daily Handicap to one decimal place. The resulting figure is then subtracted from the team's score for the Ambrose 18-hole event. For example:

Team aggregates Daily Handicap of 57 divided by 8	=7.1
Team scratch score	= 70
Net score	= 62.9 (70 minus 7.1)

Note: Women are to use the Slope Rating from their respective tees to determine their Daily Handicap.

The team's aggregate GA Handicap (not Daily handicap) established at the Local Event is the base aggregate handicap for the subsequent stages.

Amateur players will not be eligible to enter a Local Event until their team has submitted a Local Event Entry Form or online entry to the host clubs Scramble Coordinator, which displays each team members Golfink Number and Golf Australia Handicap. If any amateur participant does not have an established handicap at the host club, he/she may be required to produce verification of his/her current GA Handicap via photo ID to verify their Golf Australia Handicap.

Each teams scorecard must show each team member's GA Handicap and Daily Handicap. The scorecard is to be signed by at least two members of the group. Signing for an incorrect scorecard or handicap will be subject to penalties as determined by the R&A Rules of Golf.

5.5 Handicap Requirements —Regional Finals/Championship Final

All players qualifying for the Regional Finals or the Championship Final in the 2024 season must have completed a minimum of five (5) individually handicapped competition rounds between 1 February 2024 and 30 September 2024.

Conforming Social Scores (CSS), adhoc rounds, NCR's and rounds played outside of an officially handicapped competition are deemed ineligible.

Two x 9 hole cards in handicapped competition rounds may constitute one competition round.

Penalty of Condition: A two (2) stroke penalty will be applied to the team score on the first hole of the score card for every player who has not met the requirements per round. Handicap checks will be carried out at all levels of the event.

- Official GA Handicaps on the day are to be used to determine the team member's Daily Handicap, based on the courses Daily Slope Rating.
- Please note there will be NO upward adjustment of the Team's aggregate GA Handicap or individual GA Handicaps established at any level of the Event.

For example: If a team member's GA Handicap increases between qualifying at the Local Event and playing in the Regional Final, then they must use the GA Handicap they qualified on at the Local event to determine their Daily Handicap. If a player's GA Handicap decreases between Local and Regional Events, then they must use the current lower GA Handicap to determine their Daily Handicap. If a team member's GA Handicap increases between qualifying at the Regional Final and the Championship Final, they must use the GA Handicap that they qualified at the Regional Final.

- Should team members lose strokes from their GA Handicap then their team's aggregate Daily Handicap is to be reduced accordingly.
- Should a team have fewer than four amateur players available to play, they may still compete. Only the handicaps of those players participating will count towards the team's handicap. The aggregate team handicap is still divided by 10.
- If a team has fewer than the five team members at the Regional Final and/or the Championship Final, the three tee shot rule will be limited to the remaining team members. If a team member should join the team during a round of play, the three tee shot rule would apply to the holes remaining. An absent partner may join the team between holes, but not during play of the hole.

To determine the nett score on the day of the Regional Final and the Championship Final, team members GA Handicaps are adjusted as per the Slope Rating of the tees being played to determine their Daily Handicaps. The aggregate Daily Handicap is divided by 10 to determine the team Daily Handicap. The resulting figure is then subtracted from the team's score for the Ambrose 18-hole event. For example:

Team aggregate Daily Handicap of 56 is divided by 10	= 5.6
Team scratch score	= 70
Nett score	64.4 (70 minus 5.6)

Note: Women are to use the Slope Rating from their respective tees to determine their Daily Handicap

Please Note: If the team's aggregate GA Handicap drops below the minimum of 32.0 the reduced GA Handicap will apply at the Regional Final to determine Daily Handicaps.

Should three (3) team members' GA Handicap drop to 9.9 or lower after qualifying at the Local Event and progress to the Regional Final, they are eligible to compete however must play off the lowest handicap.

- Qualifiers to the Regional Final and Championship Final will not be eligible to play in the specific stage of the Scramble until they have been duly certified by the Scramble Rules Committee. To become duly certified, the handicap of each amateur team member must pass an examination.
- The disqualification of either a PGA Member or an amateur team member shall result in the disqualification of their affiliated team.

5.6 Regional Final Eligibility

A club may send more than one team to the Regional Final, based on the number of Local Event entries, if it meets the following requirements.

A club can send a maximum of four (4) teams to the Regional Final for each Local Event conducted.

LOCAL EVENTS:
A minimum of 48 participants to send one team
A minimum of 108 participants to send two teams
A minimum of 160 participants to send three teams; and
A minimum of 212 participants to send four teams

Important Note: no club will qualify a team for a Regional Final unless the Scramble Local Event it is hosting has at least the minimum number of 48 officially entered players who have paid the entry fee.

5.7 Golf Course Eligibility

A regulation eighteen-hole (18) or nine-hole (9) Golf facility with an official Slope Rating.

Note: in cases where a club does not engage or is not serviced by a PGA Member, a Scramble Coordinator can provide assistance in supporting and administering that clubs Scramble Local Event - subject to approval by the PGA Events Division. It is encouraged that clubs initially seek the assistance of a PGA Member prior to running an event.

5.8 Rules of Play

The Royal and Ancient Rules of Golf will govern all competition, except for local rules of play and those regarding the Scramble team format. A local rule or condition of entry may not supersede a Scramble rule. See Scramble Local Event Rules Sheet at the end of this section.

Substitutions:

A team member may be substituted if he/she is unable to play in the next level of competition. Teams are permitted to make only two (2) substitutions during a Scramble tournament season (Local Event through to and including the Championship Final). Teams are permitted to make one (1) substitution from their Local Event team before the Regional Final and only one (1) substitution from their Regional Final team before the Championship Final.

It is a recommendation (but not compulsory) that prior to the next stage of competition, the decision should be made in writing and submitted to your Scramble Coordinator as to whether the substitute will accompany the team to the next stage of the Scramble should they be successful, or whether the original member at the Local Event level returns to the team for the next level of the competition. If written notification is not submitted prior to the next stage it will be the right of the substitute player to proceed to the next stage of Competition.

The Scramble Rules Committee reserves the right to disallow a substitution of any team member when it is apparent that the substitution is being made to improve the team's chances of winning and/or not to replace a team member who is unable to play in the next level of competition.

Handicap Requirements for Substitutions

The GA handicap of the substitute team member (amateur) must not be greater than 2.0 strokes lower than the team member (amateur) they are substituting for. There is no upper limit for a substitute's GA Handicap. The substitute team member (amateur) will play from the lower of either their current GA handicap or the qualifying GA handicap of the original team member (amateur).

For Example: If the original team member (amateur) had a GA Handicap of 12.3 for the Local Event and the substitute's GA Handicap is 15.7, then the substitute team member (amateur) will use a GA Handicap of 12.3 at the Regional Final. If the original team member (amateur) had a GA Handicap of 12.1, and the substitute is off 11.2, then the substitute will use a GA Handicap of 11.2 to determine their Daily Handicap for the Regional Final or Championship Final.

If a team is unable to participate within this rule the next placed team from the previous level will advance in their place.

Team handicaps cannot at any stage adjust upwards during the Scramble tournament season. The lowest team GA Handicap from the Local or Regional Final level will always apply when substitutes are involved.

Mixed Events: Females can be substituted by a male (and vice versa) providing that all GA Handicap requirements are met.

A PGA Professional may be substituted by his/her assistant or by a PGA State Office approved PGA Professional.

Women Participants

Women amateurs and Female PGA Professionals are to tee off from the ladies tees.

Scoring

A team's score is calculated after an eighteen (18) hole round has been completed. An exception to this may be applied during weather affected round, at the discretion of the Scramble Rules Committee.

Tie Breakers

The method for determining tie-breakers at both Local Events and Regional Finals is as follows:

- Count Back - The winner is determined by count back taking the lowest gross score for the last nine holes (holes 10 to 18).

If tied teams have the same score for the last nine holes, then the winner will be determined on the basis of the lowest gross score for the last six holes, then the last three holes and then hole by hole from the eighteenth hole.

- Sudden Death - (Championship Final) - In the case of a tie at the Championship Final a (gross) sudden death play-off would be used to determine the winner whilst time permits.

The time allowed for a result and the sequence of holes to be played will be announced by the match committee at the time of commencement of the play-off.

If, at the completion of the allotted time, no result has been achieved, the winning team will be decided by using the count back system applicable (prescribed above) and applied to the final round of the Championship Final. If a tie still exists the count back will be applied to the second round and finally the first round to determine the winner.

Special Rules

- If a team is disqualified for a rules violation, no entry fees will be refunded.
- If a team cannot participate in the next level of play, their entry fee will be refunded providing the PGA Events Office is given 7 days notice prior to the event.
- A team is not eligible to compete for prizes or Regional Final qualification at the Local Event with only 3 players as the team has not met the requirements to enter the Scramble.
- An absent partner may join the team between holes, but not during play of the hole. If a team member should join the team during a round of play, the three tee shot rule would apply to the holes remaining.
- A Member who misrepresents a handicap or who knowingly violates a Tournament Term of Competition may be reported to his/her respective PGA State Office and to PGA of Australia National Office where he/she may be held in violation of the PGA Code of Ethics.

5.9 The Scramble Inclement Weather Policy: Local/Regional Finals

The following Policy only applies to Scramble Local Events and Regional Finals. Should play be suspended during a Scramble Local Event or Regional Final, with the inclement conditions making the completion of the round unachievable on the scheduled date, the following procedure shall be applied to determine the result;

1. If all teams HAVE NOT completed a minimum of 12-holes:

The event shall be cancelled, no result recorded and the event should be rescheduled as soon as possible.

2. If all teams HAVE completed a minimum of 15-holes: but less than 18 holes

The team's net stroke score on each of the first 15 holes completed shall be converted to a Stableford points score. The winning team shall be the team with the highest number of Stableford points scored on their first 15 holes played. Should a team have completed more than 15-holes, any Stableford points that would have been scored on the additional holes played will not count towards their total score.

3. If all teams HAVE completed a minimum of 12-holes: but less than 15 holes

The team's nett stroke score on each of the first 12 holes completed shall be converted to a Stableford points score. The winning team shall be the team with the highest number of Stableford points scored on their first 12 holes played. Should a team have completed more than 12-holes, any Stableford points that would have been scored on the additional holes played will not count towards their total score.

Should a card countback be required to determine a winner it shall be based on the following method:

- The total number of Stableford points scored by the team over the last 9 counting holes of the holes played
If scores remain tied then:
- The total number of Stableford points scored by the team over the last 6 counting holes of the holes played
If scores remain tied then:
- The total number of Stableford points scored by the team over the last 3 counting holes of the holes played
If scores remain tied then:
- The number of Stableford points scored on the final counting hole of the holes played.
- Should a tie remain, the winner will be determined by lot

5.10 The Scramble Local Rules and Terms of Competition Sheet

EVENT RULES ALSO DISPLAYED ON BACK OF SCORECARD

Local Rules and Terms of Competition

The following Supplementary Local Rules and Terms of Competition, together with any additional Local Rule published by a host venue are to be read in conjunction with the Rules of Golf. A Local Rule will not supersede a Scramble Term of Competition.

The Scramble Format

Each team member shall make a stroke from the tee to begin the hole.

The team must then select the position of one tee shot as the reference point from which the next stroke will be played. The team member whose ball position will be used as that reference point is not permitted to play a stroke from that reference point. However, this limitation only applies to the next stroke. This process continues until the ball is on the putting green.

All team members are permitted to putt. Once the ball is holed the team moves to the next hole where the process begins again.

Note: A team member is **not permitted** to play a practice stroke at any time during play of a hole.

Penalty for breach of the rule: General Penalty (2 strokes)

Minimum Tee Shots Per Player

A team must select a minimum of three (3) tee shots from each team member during an eighteen (18) hole round.

Penalty for breach of the rule: Disqualification

Note: Each team member's selected tee shots should be clearly identified on the scorecard.

Advice and Other Help

Rule 10.2 is modified in this way:

Where players in the same team are playing together in the same group, those players may ask for advice and receive advice from each other during the round.

When a team member's ball is on the putting green only, other team members are permitted to stand on or close to an extension of the line of play behind the ball both when the team member begins taking a stance for the stroke and until the stroke is made, without penalty.

Penalty for breach of the rule: General Penalty (2 strokes)

Selected Stroke Other Than on the Putting Green

The position of the selected stroke must be marked as a reference point. The remaining team members permitted to play the next stroke must place their ball within one (1) club length of the reference point, not nearer the hole and in a similar lie (ie. If the reference point is on the fairway each team member's ball must be placed on the fairway. If the reference point is in the first cut of rough each team member's ball must be placed in the first cut of rough etc. Team members must also place their ball in the same area of the course as the reference point. (i.e. if the reference point is in a bunker then team members must place their ball in the bunker, with the same being true for a penalty area). A bunker may be raked prior to a ball being placed.

Penalty for breach of the rule: General Penalty (2 strokes)

Selected Stroke on the Putting Green

Once the position of a team member's ball is selected on the putting green it must be marked. Other team members **must** place their ball within one (1) card length of this reference point, not nearer the hole, and putt from this position. Once the ball is hole no further strokes must be taken.

Penalty for breach of this rule: General Penalty (2 strokes)

Scorecard

The scorecard must show each team member's Daily Handicap.

The scorecard must be signed by the marker **and** one member of the team. In the case of an event which does not have a marker allocated to a team, the scorecard **must** be signed by at least **two** members of the team.

Note: Rule 3.3b(3) - Wrong Score for a Hole, and Rule 3.3b(4) - Scoring in Handicap Competition shall both apply.

Handicap

It is a requirement of the Scramble that all participants must use their current GA Handicap to determine their Daily Handicap based on the Slope Rating of the tees being played from for the Local Event. Women are to use the Slope rating from their respective tees to determine their Daily Handicap. The aggregate Daily Handicap is divided by 8 to determine the team handicap.

5.11 The Scramble Local Event Elimination Format Instruction Sheet

TO BE ATTACHED TO EACH SCORECARD ALONG WITH THE SCRAMBLE RULES

The event will be played as a four (4) person teams Ambrose Event under the Scramble elimination format.

- All team members tee off each hole;
- Team chooses the shot they are going to use.
- The golfer whose shot is taken is eliminated from participating in the next shot.
- A player is only eliminated for the one shot following his/her selected shot.
- This process continues up until the ball is on the green out with one person being eliminated for each shot (i.e. only three players play each shot except for the tee shot).
- Once the ball is on the green, all four players putt until ball is holed out.
- All four players tee off the next hole and the elimination process begins again;
- The eliminated player cannot take a practice shot or putt during the time they are eliminated - penalty two (2) strokes.
- Each team member's tee shot must be used at least three (3) times per eighteen (18) holes.
- A putt is considered a putt when the ball is on the green, all four players can putt only if the ball is on the green. If the team chooses to putt from off the green only three (3) players can play that shot.

For Example

- Ashley, Kim, Shannon and Jessie tee off the first hole, Jessie's drive is selected as the best shot.
- Jessie is eliminated for the next shot and only Ashley, Kim and Shannon take the second shot.
- Kim's second shot is selected as the best shot out of Kim's, Ashley's and Shannon's second shot.
- Kim is eliminated for the next shot and only Ashley, Shannon and Jessie take the third shot.
- Shannon's third shot is selected as the best shot out of Shannon's, Jessie's and Ashley's and it lands on the green.
- Ashley, Kim, Shannon and Jessie can then all putt until the ball is holed out.
- Ashley, Kim, Shannon and Jessie all tee off the second hole & the elimination process starts again.

NOTE: If a player "taps" a ball into the hole after putting, the ball will be deemed holed and no further strokes are permissible.