



Rules of All Match Play Competitions – 2025

1. Only those who have paid the appropriate Entry Fee for the Competition and have also paid their Subscription in full (which includes the Levy) are eligible to enter or be included in the Draw for the Match Play competitions.
2. Competitors are expected to complete each round before the last date set by the Competitions Sub-committee.

Matches not played / decided by the due date will result in both parties being disqualified from competition.

If any competitors are having undue problems with their opponents in setting a date to play a match they may ask for a meeting with representatives of the Competitions Sub-committee at least a one week prior to the final date for the round, to state their case. All competitors are advised to allow sufficient time to complete matches on the one day and to allow for matches finishing level after 18 holes.

**All Finals will be played on:
Finals Day, Saturday, 11th October 2025.**

3. All men's **SINGLES** matches must be played from the **Blue** stones.
4. All **other matches** must be played from the **White/Red** stones.
5. All players are responsible for their own handicaps. Players declaring a higher handicap than they are entitled to, **may** be disqualified from competition.
6. When Match-play draws are made and posted on notice board, **No** changes may be made to partnerships, even if first match has not been played.
7. Closing date for entries to Feely Cup, McDonnell Foursomes, Fourball, Mixed Foursomes and Scratch Match Play is Sunday 7th April 2024.

All competition Fees must be paid for at time of entry

Feely Cup	€10.00
McDonnell Foursomes	€20.00 per pair
Mixed Foursomes	€20.00 per pair
Fourball	€20.00 per pair

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Rules and Handicap Allowances for Club Match Play – Old Course handicap to be used for all calculations

Feely Cup:-

The full difference between the Course handicaps of the two players on the day. 100% Old Course handicap to be used

McDonnell Foursomes:-

½ the full difference between the aggregate course handicap of either side. 100% Old Course handicap to be used for each player. Men must always tee off on 1st Hole.

Fourball:-

90% Old Course Handicap for each player. Low handicap player reverts to Zero and other players have their shots reduced accordingly

Juniors must have an index of 20.8 or lower to be allowed to enter this competition

Mixed Foursomes:-

50% the full difference between the aggregate handicap of either side.
Handicaps are 100% Old Course handicap

Nomad Cup:-

Straight Match Play (**Qualifying Playing handicap on date of Qualifying to be used throughout the competition**) the full difference between the handicaps of the two players on the day. Normal handicap restrictions apply to Sunday qualifier

Qualification for the Matchplay stages is
8 – Category 1 players (handicaps 9 and Under)
8 – Category 2 players Handicaps 10 and over

Matchplay Draw is pre determined: Lowest Qualifier v Highest in each section.

The Committee's decision is final in all matters applying to

Match Play Competitions.

Adults and Juniors playing together

One of the reasons for the popularity of golf is that the game is not restricted either competitively or socially by skill, age or gender. Golf can be enjoyed and keenly contested by players from and between any number and/or apparently diverse groups. That this diversity, almost unique to golf, is encouraged is essential to ensure the continuity of one of the most endearing traditions of the game. Every effort must be made to promote this mix of physical and technical ability.

Responsible interaction between adults and juniors helps bring mutual respect and understanding and helps the standards of the club to be understood and maintained. Nevertheless, when playing golf with a junior, adults should always be aware that certain age-related differences do exist and should conduct themselves in a manner that recognises this