

Men/Handicapping

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	Obtaining a Handicap	<p>Obtaining a Handicap A valid Bedfordshire Golf Club handicap is required to play in all club competitions as organised by the Competition's Committee.</p> <p>To obtain a Bedfordshire Golf Club Handicap new members are required by the rules of CONGU to submit three signed score cards to the Handicap Committee for handicap assessment. Please note you must putt out on all holes.</p> <p>The three cards can be marked by any Member of Bedfordshire Golf Club who holds a valid Bedfordshire Golf Club handicap.</p> <p>The three cards must be clearly marked 'For 1st handicap' with the date played and tees used (yellow/white).</p> <p>The cards must be signed by the member and the marker with names clearly identifiable.</p> <p>On completion of the third round the three cards should be stapled together and presented for the attention of the Handicap Secretary by placing them in the Competitions Box located on the left as you enter the Men's locker room.</p> <p>New handicaps will be notified within seven days of submitting the three cards.</p>
	Transferring Handicap from another club	<p>Transferring Handicap from another club If you hold a CONGU recognised handicap certificate from your previous Golf Club, and it is less than six months old, please mark the certificate for the attention of the Handicap Secretary and place it together with a copy of your Full Handicap Record in the Competitions box located on the left as you enter the Men's locker room.</p> <p>New Members who hold a CONGU recognised handicap certificate which is greater than six months old, the certificate is deemed by CONGU to have lapsed and you are required to submit three new signed score cards to the Handicap Committee for handicap assessment using the process as described above.</p>
	Active handicaps	<p>All members are encouraged to maintain their handicap as Active.</p> <p>Full details of the CONGU/EGU Active Handicap system can be found on the EGU web site. Active/Inactive Handicaps</p>

		<p>http://www.englishgolfunion.org/showpage.asp?code=0001000200090017</p> <p>Refer to Competitions/Active Handicap (create link) for conditions of entry to Men's Competitions.</p>
	<p>Inactive Handicap</p>	<p>Inactive Handicaps – Reactivation</p> <p>An Active Handicap will be required as a condition of entry for certain men's competitions.</p> <p>Refer to Competitions/Active Handicap (create link) for conditions of entry to Men's Competitions.</p> <p>Reactivating an Inactive Handicap:</p> <p>In order to reactivate an inactive handicap a member must record three scores from qualifying competitions. This can be made up from any combination of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Record a score in qualifying competitions. (Members with an inactive handicap are eligible to enter most singles competition.) ▪ Submit a Supplementary Score card. (Refer to rules for entering a Supplementary Score) (create link) <p>N.B. The EGU has stipulated that scores returned in General Play are not acceptable as a qualifying score.</p>
	<p>Supplementary Scores</p>	<p>Supplementary Scores</p> <p>Supplementary Scores is a facility in the 2008-2011 CONGU Unified Handicapping System that help members to submit qualifying scores for handicapping purposes.</p> <p><i>The details below are extracted from EGU clause 21 with modifications shown in red that apply to Bedfordshire Golf Club:</i></p> <p>A Member may return a Supplementary Score for handicapping purposes in compliance with the following conditions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21.1 Shall apply to all <i>Handicap Categories</i>. Maximum 10 returns per year. 21.3 A <i>Supplementary Score</i> may only be returned at the <i>Home Club</i> of the player. 21.4 An acceptable score for <i>Supplementary Score</i> purposes is any authenticated score over 18 holes

under *Competition Play Conditions* over a *Measured Course* in compliance with the conditions listed in this clause. The format may be Stroke Play or Stableford.

BGC: For the avoidance of doubt play may be from yellow or white tees.

21.6 *Members are* limited to the return of one *Supplementary Score* per week.

21.7 A player intending to return a *Supplementary Score* will be required to signify his intention prior to commencement of play in the manner determined by the *Affiliated Club*.

BGC: Members **must register their intent to return a **Supplementary Score** with the Pro Shop **PRIOR** to play. Cards must be **clearly marked** as 'Supplementary Score' and which Tees were played from. Signed cards must be deposited in the Men's competition box just inside the door of the Men's locker room.**

21.8 A *Competition Scratch Score* shall not be calculated and adjustments to handicap, in accordance with Clause 20.6, shall be made in respect of the *Standard Scratch Score*.

21.9 Stroke Play returns shall be subject to Stableford/Nett Double Bogey Adjustment in compliance with Clause 19.

21.10 The Supplementary Score will be recorded in the Player Handicap Record.

21.11 If a player who has registered for a Supplementary Score subsequently does not return a card an increase in handicap of 0.1 shall be applied.

For further details refer to EGU web site:

Supplementary Scores

link: <http://www.englishgolfunion.org/showpage.asp?code=0001000200090011>

	<p>General Play Adjustments</p>	<p>General Play Adjustments</p> <p>The Handicap Committee will only consider a handicap revision under general play in exceptional circumstances and in accordance with EGU guidelines detailed below:</p> <p>Handicaps should only be adjusted outside of qualifying competitions under General Play and only then under exceptional circumstances. In order to clarify the definition of Exceptional Circumstances the English Golf Union has identified that handicaps can only be adjusted under the following circumstances:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Impaired golfing ability resulting from extended illness or injury. ▪ The need to correct a handicap that was allocated at an inappropriate level. ▪ The return of a series of good scores in Qualifying Competitions within a short timeframe by a hitherto infrequent competitor. ▪ A number of, probably three or more, good playing performances in Non Qualifying competitions (Better Ball and Singles match play events) by a player who otherwise may not participate with any regularity in Qualifying Competitions. <p>The EGU have also announced that scores returned in Mixed Foursomes, Society and Corporate events and social golf must not be used in the adjustment of a CONGU handicap.</p> <p>For further details refer to EGU web site:</p> <p><i>Guide to General Play & Annual Review</i></p> <p>http://www.englishgolfunion.org/showpage.asp?code=0001000200090014</p>