

RULES OF CLUBS NEW ZEALAND SOUTH ISLAND MEN'S TEAM GOLF TOURNAMENT

1. The tournament shall be known as "**CLUBS NEW ZEALAND SOUTH ISLAND MEN'S TEAM GOLF TOURNAMENT**"
2. The tournament shall be conducted under all relevant Clubs NZ rules pertaining to sports tournament and also the rules of golf according to "The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews".
3. The tournament shall be open to any male member of a chartered club, domiciled in the South Island that is affiliated to Clubs New Zealand and he must also be a financial member of a Golf Club affiliated to the New Zealand Golf Association, and has an official NZGA handicap Index.
4. All eligible South Island Chartered Clubs may enter two teams. If entries are down the host Club must accept more than two teams from eligible Clubs.
5. The tournament shall be played over two days with 18 holes each day. In the event of inclement weather the Host Club may vary the format. The principal trophy (New Zealand Breweries Ltd. Trophy) and prize shall be for teams 36 hole nett. The subsidiary trophy (Wilson's Distillers Cup) and prizes shall be for the teams 36 hole gross. Prizes are to be presented to a minimum of 25% of teams competing. Individual prizes may be presents to the Host Club's discretion.
6. The Delegates meeting shall be conducted under the provision of Clubs NZ Standard Rules to conduct Sports Tournament (Rule 3) and on the evening of the first day of competition. The time of the meeting shall be notified to participating Clubs no later than 4 weeks before the tournament.
7. Host Clubs shall be decided two years in advanced under the provisions of Clubs NZ standard Rules to conduct Sports Tournament (Rule 4). In the event of more than one application being received that decisions shall be by ballot in which the Chairman is entitled to a casting vote. The decision shall be final. Unsuccessful applications shall be declared invalid and cannot be carried forward to the next year for consideration.
8. All entries shall be confirmed at least 5 weeks before the tournament date, listing the names, seven figure identification numbers (Golf and personal numbers) of all participants in playing order. It is the Host Clubs responsibility to access the up- to date Handicap Indexes of players from the internet.
9. A Team shall consist of 4 members with a maximum individual handicap index of 30.0 with each team combined Handicap Indexes being a minimum of 40.0 and not exceed 110.0.
10. The Host Club is responsible for ensuring all tournament cards are handed to the Host Golf Club for entering in the Slope Handicapping systems.
11. The Disputes Committee shall act in accordance with the Clubs NZ Standard Rules to conduct Sports Tournament (Rule 6) and under the Rules of Golf according to the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews and their decisions shall be final.
12. Minutes of delegates meetings shall be kept in accordance with Clubs NZ Standard Rules to conduct Sports Tournament (Rules 3 c & d) and a copy of such minutes shall be forwarded together with a result list to all participating Clubs.
13. In the event of extenuating circumstances which would cause a team to be one player short, the Host Club shall have the right to include a replacement player thus enabling the team to participate in the tournament. The replacement players handicap Index shall be as close as possible to the player he will replace. Composite Teams can be included in the tournament but entrants must be a financial member of a Chartered Club. Composite teams are eligible to win the trophy.
14. In the event of a tie for either trophy, it shall be decided on a count back system as recommended by the NZGA.
15. The Host Club shall be defined as that Club Hosting the tournament for the 12 month period ending 90 days after the completion of the tournament and shall be responsible for the completion of all requirements of Clubs NZ Standard Rules to conduct Sports Tournament and of these rules up until that time.
16. Participants allowed to use a motorised cart without a Medical certificate, upon application on the entry form.