

Palairet Plate

RULES & CONDITIONS (2012)

1. **ELIGIBILITY** - All Clubs eliminated in the 1st and 2nd Rounds of the Palairet Memorial Trophy. Clubs will be approached annually to ascertain whether they wish to participate.
2. **FORMAT** - 18 Holes Foursomes Stableford Competition under 1/2 combined handicap. THREE foursome pairs per club team (6 players). The 4 teams with the highest aggregate Stableford Points will win the appropriate trophies. Ties will be decided in the first instance by the better or best third card of each team(s), thereafter by adding together the teams' total scores for the last 9, 6, 3, or 1 hole(s) as necessary. The previous Matchplay Final has been discontinued.
3. All three Stableford points' scores from each team will count. Attention must be given to ensure scorecards are completed correctly before they are returned. Any disqualification for an incomplete card or due to any breach of the Rules of Golf will eliminate that score from the team total score. Where appropriate, the Rules of the Palairet Memorial Trophy and the General Conditions for Competitions shall apply to this Competition.
4. **DATE** - The Stroke Play Competition will be played on the First Sunday in July.
5. **TROPHIES:**

1 st	The Palairet Plate
2 nd	The Mumford Trophy
3 rd	The Gray Memorial Cup
4 th	The Committee Cup
6. **VENUE** – A Neutral venue will be selected by the Fixtures Committee from Group 2 Host Clubs in the 'Group Venues List' (see end of this Section).
7. Advice in Team Competitions (Note to Rule 8). Each team may appoint one person (in addition to the persons from whom advice may be asked under Rule 8), who may give advice to members of that team. Such person must be identified to the Match Referee before giving advice. That person may not walk on to a putting green or point out a line for putting when the ball lies on the green. See also NOTE 2 to Rule 8.
8. Distance-Measuring Devices (Rule 14-3). A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, windspeed, temperature, etc), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional function is actually used.

NOTE 1:

- i. Trolleys with a distance-measuring capability may be used provided any other features, which are non-conforming, are disabled (e.g. 'taped up' or switched off).
- ii. Multi-functional devices such as mobile phones with a distance-measuring application may not be used unless the application is restricted to "distance only" and the device does not have any other "non-conforming" features or applications.
- iii. DCGU's advice on the use of mobile phones as a distance-measuring device: Because of problems over whether a particular phone conforms to the Local Rule and, therefore, to protect players from the risk of disqualification, the DCGU strongly recommends that mobile phones are not used as distance-measuring devices.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF 8(i) or (ii): Disqualification

NOTE 2:

If a team captain or person appointed under Rule 7 uses a device in breach of this Local Rule, any distance information sought and received by a player from that team captain or given by that team captain and willingly received by a player, will result in the player's disqualification.

PALAIRET - CODE OF CONDUCT – COURTESY ROUNDS

The Union has found it necessary to develop and introduce the following Code of Conduct for the booking and playing of courtesy rounds in relation to its PalaiRET Matches:

1. General

- a) Club Secretaries are to ensure that their PalaiRET Captain is made familiar with these points.
- b) A PalaiRET File should be given to each Captain at the start of each competitive season. The Rules of the Competition and this Code of Conduct to be included.

2. Reservations

- a) Only the Team Captain, or his nominated representative, can reserve a courtesy round.
- b) The reservation must be a single booking covering all members of the Team (10 + 2 Reserves) that wish to take advantage of playing the course prior to the match.
- c) Contact with the host club should be made as early as possible to arrange a date and time for the tee reservation. Keep strictly to that time.

3. On Arrival

- a) On arrival at the host club the Captain, or his nominated representative, must report to the Secretary (if available) or Club Professional (if available) or, at least, the bar to confirm their arrival.

4. Playing

- a) Remember – you have only reserved the first tee – not the course.
- b) Exhibit only good behaviour and etiquette on the course. Play only one ball – do not replay the shot unless a Rule of Golf demands it.
- c) Be aware of Club members on the course, do not spoil their game.
- d) Replace divots, repair pitch marks and rake bunkers.