

ANNEXE TO THE COMPETITION COMMITÉ MINUTES 27th MAY 2015

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT THE HANDICAP SYSTEM

We inform all Guadalmina members that, since January 1st 2014, the EGA Handicap System 2012-2015 is in force in Spain, as in all European National Federations, with the exception of the British Federations which remain under the CONGU handicap system.

The most significant changes are:

ACTIVE / INACTIVE HANDICAP

A player's handicap can be Active or Inactive. In order to get an Active Handicap, a player must have returned at least four (4) qualifying scores in the last calendar year (ending the 31st December) or –else- have their handicap reactivated by delivering four qualifying scores during the current year. Once the necessary cards are presented, the handicap will remain active for the following year.

Will be considered as qualifying scores for the purposes of activating a handicap the results obtained when playing under the following formats: (All Stroke Play): Individual Stableford, Individual Medal, 4BBB and Canada Cup.

They will also be considered as qualifying scores the cards returned under the system 'Extra Day Scores' (EDS), with some limitations (see below).

IMPORTANT!!

The *EGA Handicap System* (as well as other handicap systems) is based on the premise that every player must return a sufficient number of scores to provide reasonable evidence of his/her playing standard, evidence which is not provided if such handicap is Inactive, therefore, the RCGG Competition Committee decided that players with Inactive Handicap would be allowed to participate in all Social Competitions without the right to get a prize, in order to maintain the sportsmanship and due fair play.

The Rule will affect to the Player when the competition is individual, both members of the pair –when played in pairs- and all members of the team –when played in 3/4 players team-.

It is the presentation of the 4th card which activates the handicap, therefore, the Player will be entitled to get a prize in that competition.

This Rule will not apply to Absolute Scratch Prizes, since the player's handicap is not taken into account in that case.

The right to participate in the subsequent raffle remains, when applicable.

R.F.E.G., R.F.A.G. and other Competitions of similar rank such as 'Memorial Norberto Goizueta' will have their own rules and consequently will not be subject to this decision.

EXTRA DAY SCORES (EDS)

Only Adult and Senior players with 3rd, 4th and 5th handicap categories (exact handicaps between 11,5 and 36,0) may return an *EDS* for handicapping purposes with a limit of six (6) per natural calendar year and one (1) per month. The procedure is very simple and all the information is available at the Caddy Master's office.

HANDICAP ANNUAL REVISION

Every 1st January the Spanish Golf Federation will automatically revise all players' handicaps. Those players who have not returned at least four qualifying scores in the last calendar year will have their handicaps designated as Inactive and will remain unchanged until the player delivers 4 qualifying scores during the present year. Those players who have returned at least 4 qualifying scores, will have their handicaps revised taking into account all rounds played during the last year in order to adequately reflect their real playing standards.

FINAL NOTE

Regarding the Rule about not allowing players with Inactive handicap to get prizes in Local Competitions, it is been decided to grant an exceptional transitional period to implement the Rule -until the 1st September 2015- for the following competitions: 'Thursday International' and 'Texas Scramble Norte', in order to allow the large number of players who usually participate to adapt to the new regulation. From that date this Rule will be implemented for all purposes.