

Memo

To: The GOLF *Link* Administrator at Tier 1 Clubs
c.c.: Member States, GA Board, GA Handicapping & Course Rating Committee, GOLF *Link*
From: Simon Magdulski
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Subject: Processing of Competitions (Procedures re Score Entry Screen)

Dear All,

When next you create a competition or enter scores into a competition in Tier 1, you will see we have provided some further guidance and explanation regarding the handicaps displayed on the score entry screen.

One of the key additions is a change to the button you click on in order to process a competition. This button now prompts you to ensure you have checked the handicaps listed in the 'Played Off' column.

Please note the following points regarding the handicaps listed in the 'Played Off' column:

- **At the time you actually process a competition, it is important that the value listed in the 'Played Off' box on the score entry screen is the handicap the player actually played off in that competition** (note: this may not necessarily be the player's current handicap).
- You are able to change any of the handicaps listed in the 'Played Off' column by simply overtyping the figures you want.

A question we have had asked of us a number of times in the past week is: "**On the score entry screen, why is GOLF *Link* in some cases displaying a different handicap in the 'Played Off' column to the handicap listed in the 'Current Exact' column?**" To understand the answer, it is easiest to look at a player's record on www.golflink.com.au.

- The '**Current Exact**' column in the score entry screen draws from the handicap listing in the orange boxes on www.golflink.com.au.
- The '**Played Off**' listing in the score entry screen draws from the values listed in the www.golflink.com.au handicap record table itself (ie the table below the orange boxes). The column to look at in the table is the 'New Exact' column. The appropriate entry is the entry immediately prior to the date you have listed in your competition set-up as the date your competition was played (or is to be played). Note: This arrangement caters for a number of considerations including for example the processing of competitions some days after a competition was actually played.

We are aware that a few clubs may have processed Stableford or Par competitions in the past week with 'Played Off' handicaps listed that in some cases were not the handicaps the players actually played off (note: if this happened with a Stroke competition, the GOLF *Link* handicap calculation will be fine irrespective). There is a simple way to correct any problems – go to the 'Competition Summary' page in Tier 1 for the competition in question and click on the 'Unprocess Competition' button (note: DO NOT click on the 'Delete Competition' button). This will take you back to the screen where you enter the competition scores – you then simply overtype the handicap values you are concerned about and reprocess this competition. If you need any assistance in executing this process, please ring the GOLF *Link* Customer Service Centre on 1300 650 750.

We hope the above information is of assistance.

Kind regards,



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