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The following responses to Golf Australia's 2014 Handicap System – Checklist for Club Administrators, relate to Micropower's current PG7 product which is currently in use at over 170 clubs around Australia.

Because of the timeframes necessary for the changeover to the new handicapping system, Micropower have had to provide an upgrade for the PG7 product, rather than progressively migrate customers to our new product. The PG7 upgrade will be installed at clubs during December and January, following certification from Golfink, however the new changes will only become effective when the new handicapping system is implemented by Golfink in late January 2014.

o Are we going to handicap the Conforming Social Scores of our Members? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping

o Are we going to handicap good Four-ball scores? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

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o Are we going to handicap 9-hole scores (and any other scores made over 8-17 holes)? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping

o Are we going to handicap scores returned in Aggregate Teams Events? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

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o Are we going to handicap scores returned in Pro-Am Events? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping



o Are we going to handicap a score returned in a Competition that has been Declared Null and Void (where the conditions have not notably compromised the proper playing of the game for that player)? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping

o Are we going to handicap scores returned in Novelty Events such as Bisque Par and Three-Ball Competitions? [GA Recommendation: SHOULD HANDICAP]

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping as an adhoc score

9. Has my club determined how we will go about calculating and communicating Daily Handicaps to our members?

Scorecards will have the handicaps printed on the card and a Daily Handicap report can be produced for in club display

10. Has my club worked through the process of re-designing our score cards to cater for the requirements of the handicap system changes?

The scorecard format can handle the handicap system changes.

11. Has my club established a process for complying with the GOLF Link data provision requirements around the new Stableford Handicap Adjustment (SHA) regulation?

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12. Has my club worked through the process of considering whether to conduct Stableford competitions in conjunction with Stroke competitions?

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13. Has my club worked through the process of determining what policies we will operate around the linking of different groups of scores for DSR calculation purposes? And will we calculate separate AM & PM DSRs?

The product will allow these Scores to be submitted via the Tier3 system for handicapping with a new dedicated screen for the club to send scores



15. Is my club aware of how we will need to go about managing the process of creating Initial handicaps for our members under the new handicap system?

The product includes a process for creating initial handicaps for members.

16. Is my club complying with the GOLF Link administrative requirements around a member joining my club when they already have a GOLF Link record from another club?

The product will include functionality to handle these member transfers or adding of existing members

17. Our members will want to know if their handicaps will be recalculated to Slope handicaps on the day we switchover to the new system. Is my club aware of how the re-calculation will work?

Scorecards will have the new handicaps as determined by GolfLink printed on the card

20. When Slope comes in, my club is looking at playing competitions from different tees. Has my club worked through the process of determining whether we will adjust net scores to cater for any differences in the Scratch Ratings (and total par) of the sets of tees that will be in operation?

The product currently handles competitions from multiple markers/courses, but does not currently allow nett score adjustments. At this stage there are no plans to include that functionality before January 2014.

21. Is the Handicapping Authority at my club aware of how the following new regulation will work and when to apply it – “Manual Bonus Reduction for Exceptional Net Score”? (Note: A club should only effect a Manual Bonus Reduction if it considers that the normal calculation process has not produced an appropriate reduction. See Section 16 of the new handicap system.)

The tier 3 system can handle this from within the members area

22. Has the Handicapping Authority at my club worked with the committee in charge of each competition conducted by the club to determine whether or not to adopt the GA recommendation that any player whose GA Handicap has reverted to provisional status (as per Section 14(iii)) will not be eligible to win a prize in a competition or to win a competition?

The club can decide whether the player can enter the competition or not.

23. Has the Handicapping Authority at my club established whether to set competition grades with reference to GA Handicaps or with reference to Daily Handicaps? The GA recommendation around this is provided at Section 6(ii)(K) of the new handicap system. The recommendation is as follows: To enable comparisons and consistency from club to club and from one set of tees to



another set of tees, it is recommended that handicap competition grades be determined on the basis of GA Handicaps (given that it is considered preferable by the club to split players into separate handicap grades for handicap competition purposes).

Competitions can be split into handicap divisions within the tier 3 system using Daily Handicaps only.

