

The HRDGA Ladies Sub-Committee and the HRDGA Board shall make all arrangements and shall have the power to alter or make any variations to the Rosella Shield Conditions of Play or Programme should they deem necessary. If a team or a player breaches any conditions, the team or player may be disqualified for the round or rounds concerned under processes in the HRDGA Bylaws.

FORMATION OF TEAMS:

1. Each club shall be represented by one full team of six players only for each Round. Composite teams are allowed but must be approved by the HRDGA Ladies Sub-Committee.
2. Players from any one club may form part of a Composite Team —if that Club is unable to field its own Pennant Team and in accordance with Bylaw 8 (e) and 8 (g). Where a composite team wins the Pennant Series, each Club will be awarded a Pennant and all Club names will be engraved on the Rosella Shield.
3. Once a player represents a particular club, she is then ineligible to play for another HRDGA team during the series.
4. Only players that have an official GA handicap and are current members of the HRDGA are eligible to compete.

FORMAT:

5. The order of Play will be conducted in accordance with the 2023 draw.
6. The first two matches will be scratch contests while the remaining four matches will be handicap matchplay. All matches are played in the one division and at the same course.
7. Balanced Match Play Index as per the Golf Australia, Competition & Course Management Procedures is to be used with full difference in Handicaps to be given in Handicap Matches.
8. Results: 2 Points for a Team Win in a Round; 1point for a draw; no points for a team bye. If there is a draw on points at the end of the series, the winner will be the team with the highest number of individual games won including drawn games. If still a draw, teams will be declared joint winners.
9. Each team must be able to complete* *more than* 50% of their scheduled rounds during the Pennants Season. If teams are unable to complete their scheduled rounds there will be no Rosella Shield winner. * A completed round does not include a cancelled round. *Refer Bylaw 9(n) Rosella Shield.*

HRDGA CLUBS:

10. Team Entry Fee is \$150.00 and will be invoiced by HRDGA as soon as the draw is distributed; payment is to be made to HRDGA before the start of Round 1. A club that has not paid by Round 2 will be disqualified.
11. Carts and other Motorised Transport: Refer Bylaw 4 (b). The draw will note any information on cart availability and private cart usage at any course and if any costs are associated. For pace of play, carts are to be shared by a matchplay pair – exceptions to be requested on the day of play only and are at the full discretion of the Pennant Official on the day. See also Team Captains and Player responsibilities re carts.
12. Hosting Club: Host Clubs are to provide a starter and course assistance eg spotters, if possible. A host team captain or committee member or other official or player is to be available at all times of play.
13. Pennants Practice – refer Bylaw 9 (l)

TEAM CAPTAINS:

14. Each Team Captain must read and be familiar with the HRDGA Bylaws particularly Bylaws 4 and 8 as found on the HRDGA website <https://www.hrdga.com.au/constitution/>
15. Each Team Captain is to ensure that their players have copies of these rules and have the link to the HRDGA Bylaws. They are also required to ensure players are aware of their requirements to play in any Round including their position in the team on the day and the application of the Balanced Index.
16. Each Team Captain is to pay the Host Club Proshop the full price for the 3 carts required if carts are compulsory.
17. Each Team Captain or her delegate must sign the Official Results Sheet at end of play having verified all scores. It is the responsibility of the Host Club's Team Captain to email the Result Sheet to the Pennants Organiser, attention Helen Routh at ladiesgolf.hrdga@gmail.com if Helen is absent from the course on the day.

Adverse Conditions:

18. In the event of extreme weather conditions, matches must be played unless the following is evident:
 - i. HRDGA Adverse Conditions Policies applies – refer Bylaw 10
 - ii. The course is closed as per instructions of the Host Club Officials whether before the day of play, or during the course of play, of the round.In either circumstance such a Round will be drawn in accordance with Bylaw 10 but is not counted as an eligible round for the purposes of rule 9 above.
19. Host Clubs are required to check the condition of their course
 - no later than 3 hours prior to the scheduled starting time of the first match on the day of play
 - alternatively the afternoon or evening of the day before particularly in the case of ongoing weather conditionsIf the course is considered to be unplayable by the scheduled hit off, the Host Team or Club captain should immediately advise by phone the HRDGA Pennants Organiser and each of the Pennants Team Captains.
20. If for any reason carts are not allowed on the course for a scheduled round that round will be cancelled.

Team Sheets:

21. Captains are to make sure that their team's current GA Handicaps are correct as listed on GolfLink at 8pm the night prior to start of play.
22. Captains must exchange completed team sheets no later than 15 minutes prior to the Match using the attached Team Form.

Forfeits: – refer Bylaw 8 (j) and (n).

23. If a Club is unable to field a full team, the opposing Team Captain and the HRDGA Ladies Pennant Organiser must be notified no later than 15 minutes prior to start. A forfeit once given cannot be recalled.
24. At any time, it is the right of the club receiving the forfeit to determine their adjusted team/player list.
25. Where team sheets have already been exchanged, the revised team sheet will apply and is to be submitted as per standard procedure.
26. Protests: All protests must be made in writing to the HRDGA Ladies Sub-Committee and may be lodged only by the Club Captain or her Deputy as soon as possible, and no later than 5 p.m. on the second day after the Match. All disputes shall be settled in accordance with Bylaw 9(n) PLAY.

PARTICIPATING PLAYERS

27. Each player is to have a copy of the Rules of Golf and be aware of the specific rules applying to Matchplay.
28. Each Player is to have read the Bylaws and this document governing the Rosella Shield matches before commencement of the 2023 Ladies Pennant series.
29. Each player who requires a cart at any course where carts are not compulsory is responsible for booking a cart and then paying for it on the day of play; or alternatively is responsible for checking with that Club whether their own cart is allowed course access.
30. Each Player is to be aware of the Local Rules of the Course and Pace of Play requirements.
31. Each Player is to be at the course no later than 15 minutes before the **1st game** of their Team's match (not just their own) or earlier as defined by their Captain.
32. Players shall start in accordance with the draw. However, if the Starter determines that exceptional circumstances have prevented a player from starting on time, there is no penalty. (As per Rule 6-3).

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