

## GUIDELINE/REGULATION

### INSCRIPTION:

The inscriptions will have to be done directly with Mallorca Matchplay, via web [www.mallorca-matchplay.com](http://www.mallorca-matchplay.com) or the QR code.

By inscribing in the competition, you agree that your details (name, email & phone) will be facilitated to organize the matches.

**Members: 10 EUR** per round / **Guests: 45 EUR** per round, to pay directly at the golf course

### PARTICIPANTS

Amateur players in possession of an RFEG license with a **minimum age of 21 years** may participate.

If a player does not have a Spanish license, he/she must present a handicap confirmation no older than 2 days before the start of the match. This can be electronic or printed out.

**Minimum** of participants: 16 players

At the time of registration, the player must choose a course where he/she will play the entire competition. A player can register for only one golf course at a time, **multiple participation is not possible.**

### MODALITY OF THE GAME

The competition is played as **INDIVIDUAL MATCHPLAY.**

It is a modality where players coordinate among themselves to play their matches within established deadlines.

The Matchplay rules established by the RFEG and the local rules of each course apply. The rules of the game are those of Matchplay, so the two players must resolve any doubts between them on the same course (it is recommended to bring the golf rules of the RFEG, as well as inform yourself of the local rules of each course).

The stipulated round of the **Matchplay is 18 holes.** A player may concede a hole or match at any time before the completion of the hole or match. The award of a stroke, hole or match cannot be refused or withdrawn.

If you finish the 18 holes tied, you must continue through hole one, and successive holes, until one of the players wins the hole (taking into account the difference in points that may exist in the hole being played).

**Tee boxes:** It will be played from the marks that the club establishes for each day. **The yellow bars for men and the red bars for women.**

The player who holes his balls in the fewest number of net strokes wins the hole. The player who beats the other player in a number of holes greater than the number of holes left to play is the winning player of the match. (So many holes won/so many holes to play.).

**Game phases:** The tournament will start with a certain number of players, this will be 16, 32, 64,... If there is not this exact number of registered players, the event committee will determine if there is a qualifying phase or similar, so that the competition can begin.

## **HANDICAP**

**The exact handicap**, which will serve as a basis for calculating the playing handicap, **is limited to 26.4 for women and men**

All players with an exact handicap greater than 26.4 (established maximum handicap limit) will calculate the playing handicap as if it were 26.4, applying the EGA handicap (slope) system of the course where they play.

For players with a handicap equal to or less than 26.4, their exact handicap will be the one that appears in the RFEF database on the same day of play. Secondly, the slope of the course where they are going to play is applied to obtain the playing handicap\*

**The player with the lowest playing handicap will play scratch and the other will receive 75% of the difference in strokes, calculated rounded.**

The handicap strokes will be applied to the corresponding holes, according to the handicap of each hole on the different courses. It is the player's responsibility to know where he gives or receives handicap strokes.

**Example:**

<b>Player</b>	<b>exact HCP</b>	<b>limited HCP</b>	<b>playing HCP*</b>	<b>difference of strokes</b>	<b>strokes to receive</b>
A	2,4	2,4	3	0	0
B	32,8	26,4	30	27	<b>20 = 0,75x27</b>

\*Definition of "playing handicap": it is the handicap that the player receives after having applied the "slope" of the course, **the reference is taken from the 100% column in the tables.**

**Player Responsibilities:** Know the tournament rules, verify the opponents' handicap and calculate the players' game points.

## **PAIRINGS:**

The composition of the pairings will be announced after the closing of registration (24.09.2023) and the draw.

### **PHASES OF THE MALLORCA MATCHPLAY**

DEADLINE DATES FOR EACH ELIMINATORY

First round: **from 1st October until 5th November 2023**

Second round: **from 6th November until 10th December 2023**

Third round: **from 11th December until 14th January 2024**

Fourth round: **from 15th January 2024 until 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

**Final: from 12th February until 10th March 2024**

The players themselves will be in charge of agreeing on the date and time for each game.

The winning person will be responsible for **notifying** to the club the **result no later than 72 hours**. If the winner is not notified as established, both players will be disqualified.

If a match does not end due to circumstances beyond the control of the players, and cannot be continued on another occasion, one of the players may concede the match to his opponent, for example, if the difference in holes won is sufficiently explicit (even if it is not won), but if not, it must be drawn by the contestants themselves.

If an agreement is not reached on setting the date and time to play a match, the competition committee will be the one to assign the date or give the resolution so that the competition can continue.

### **COMPETITION COMMITTEE:**

The Competition Committee will be made up of a representative of the club where the Matchplay match that generates the controversy or claim is held.

This committee will ultimately resolve any dispute that may arise during the Matchplay matches.

In case of doubts, disagreements or any other issue that is not contemplated in these regulations, the decision of the competition committee will be binding.

The committee may consider a claim only if the player making the claim notifies his opponent that he is making a claim on the facts of the situation and wants a decision. Such a claim must be communicated to the opponent before any player in the match plays from the next teeing ground or, in the case of the last hole of the match, before all players in the match leave the green (Rule 2-5).

### **PRIZES FOR THE 2 FINALISTS:**

The 2 finalists from each participating course in the Balearic Islands will receive **an invitation to the grand final of the Mallorca Matchplay Series 2023/2024 on 06.06.2024 at Golf Son Gual**. A competition will be played against the other finalists in individual stableford mode with special prizes for nearest to the pin & longest drive. At the end of this day, food & drinks are included for all players at the Son Gual Club. (The awards ceremony is the next day!!)

On the **07.06.2024** all finalists will access on board of **HAPAG-LLOYD CRUISES** cruise ship **MS EUROPA** for the guided tour of the ship, prize giving, gift drawing and gala dinner.

**The entire final event is paid by Mallorca Matchplay and its sponsors.**

**A CRUISE WORTH 25.500 EUR IS DRAWN BETWEEN ALL MALLORCA MATCHPLAY PARTICIPANTS**

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### **Norm**

The fact of registering for the Mallorca Matchplay series presupposes automatic acceptance of all the Regulations, with the player recognizing his/her waiver to reflect ignorance of the rule or the sanction to be applied in the event of being involved in any matter that warrants it.

### **Observations**

The Organization of the Mallorca Matchplay Series 2023/2024 is not responsible for the state of the golf courses that host the matches due to causes beyond the control of the organization, such as maintenance work, putting greens and others derived from meteorological or force causes. It is understood that these circumstances will affect all participants equally. The Organization reserves the right to modify any matter related to the series and its ending, including these regulations, if the time comes when it considers that it is beneficial for a better development of the series.