

League Matches Challenge League – Refer also to SEG General Conditions

North Section: Bedfordshire, Essex & Middlesex

South Section: Hampshire, Kent & Sussex

Eligibilty

Open to members of Golf Clubs affiliated to a SEG County Golf Union, but no player can represent a County in SEG League Matches unless their Home Club is in that County.

To be eligible to play in the Final, a player must not have played, in the current calendar year, more than twice in his County's First Team in SEG County League matches and the EG County Qualifier (6 man).

The penalty for fielding an ineligible player in a match is disqualification of the team.

Dress Code

Competitors are expected at all times to comply with the dress code in place at the host club. The England Golf "Hard Card" rules relating to dress code will apply.

Format

Each County will play each of the other Counties in its section home and away – unless otherwise unanimously agreed by the counties in each section.

The winners of each section will play a Final to establish an overall winner of the Trophy.

Match Result: 2 points for a Match Win & 1 point for a halved Match

Teams of Eight: Four Foursomes a.m. Eight Singles p.m. each over 18 holes scratch match play – unless the counties agree unanimously that only singles matches will be played.

Each game won will score 1 point, halved games scoring ½ a point.

After the exchange of teams by the Captains, only one substitute (who must be named when the team is submitted) may be used.

If a County is unable to field a complete team the games forfeited will commence with the last, followed by the penultimate etc etc.

Host counties will cover the cost of catering on matchday, practice rounds and any Facility Fee.

Match Results

Match results must be communicated to the SEG Secretary as soon as the match is completed using whichever method of communication has been chosen by the Championship Committee.

In the event of a league match walk over, the allocation of game and match points will be decided by the Championship Committee after consideration of all facts.

League Standings

In the event of a tie by match points scored in each section, the County to qualify for the final will be the one with the greatest total of game points (halved games adding $\frac{1}{2}$ a point) in all its League matches. In the event of a further tie, the league match result between the tied counties will decide



who has won their section. If still tied, the scores of individual games (in the league match between the tied counties) will count, starting with the first game and if still a tie, the remaining games in descending order.

The Final

The final between North and South winners will be held in October, with the venue dictated by a rota of the eleven SEG Counties. SEG Secretary is responsible for making the necessary arrangements with the Host County and Club.

In the event of a tie in the Final, the winner will be decided by a sudden death play-off. The participants in the play-off must be nominated as soon as the Championship Committee declares that there is a tie.

If a result cannot be reached because of bad weather, lack of daylight or for any other reason at the discretion of the Championship Committee, the trophy will be shared.

General

Inclement weather: If in any Championship it becomes impossible to complete the Championship in accordance with that Championship's Conditions because of adverse weather conditions or other circumstances, the Championship Committee may vary such conditions to the extent necessary to achieve a result within the time available.

Any County wishing to withdraw from the league must give notice of intent by not later than 1st November of the year before the withdrawal.

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