

Baltinglass Golf Club - "The Cullen Trophy"

INTER-CLUB MIXED FOURSOMES MATCHPLAY

Cullen Trophy Rules 2025

R&A Rules of Golf apply

1. The Competition format is Mixed Scotch Foursomes. Teams will consist of four (4) pairs. A player can ONLY represent one Club.
2. Playing Handicaps: Combined COURSE HANDICAP on the day of play cannot be greater than 36. If your pairings combined COURSE HANDICAP on the day is greater than 36, your pairing must play off 36.
3. As per Appendix C of the new WHS Handicap and CONGU Rules for Scotch Foursomes, playing Handicaps for each pair will be 60% of the lower Course Handicap and 40% of the higher Course Handicap rounded to the nearest number for each pair.
4. Shot Calculation: One half (1/2) the combined COURSE HANDICAP difference between the opposing pairs. E.G.
 - a. Team A Male H.I. = 7.7 C.H. = $8 \times 60\% = 4.8$. Female H.I. = 20.3 C.H. = $21 \times 40\% = 8.4 = 8.4 + 4.8 = 13.2$
 - b. Team B Male H.I. = 9.3 C.H. = $10 \times 60\% = 6.0$. Female H.I. = 25.3 C.H. = $26 \times 40\% = 10.4$. $6.0 + 10.4 = 16.4$
 - c. $16.4 - 13.2 = 3.2/2 = 1.6$ Team B will get 2 shots
5. Matches are to be played two at home / two away. If the overall result of the match is tied, the pre-selected pair for each team will engage in a hole-by-hole playoff until there is a winner. This playoff will be played in the club that has been drawn at home.
6. Round 1. The top team has home advantage. For the subsequent rounds, the team whose number is first in the line has home advantage. (See numbers at the bottom of the draw sheet).
7. Exchange of pairings - Prior to the commencement of play, the respective team managers shall simultaneously exchange the names of their teams, their handicaps and order of play.
8. Matches must be played by the dates stipulated on the draw sheet.
9. All matches are to be played off the weekly summer competitions tee boxes (not the Medal tees).
10. Buggies are allowed with the appropriate medical certificate.
11. Results must be reported by the winning team manager by phone to 0596481350 or email enquiries@baltinglassgolfclub.ie
12. The semi-finals will be played in Baltinglass GC on the weekend of the 16th / 17th Aug (Check Draw sheet). The final will be played on Sat Aug 30th in Baltinglass GC.
13. If play is permanently ceased and abandoned due to adverse weather conditions e.g. Thunderstorm, lightning, failing light etc., the winner will be decided by the aggregate of holes up at the time of cessation of play.
14. The rules must be strictly observed. All decisions and waivers are under the control of the Competition Co-ordinator in conjunction with the Management Committee of Baltinglass G.C. Breach of any of the rules will result in disqualification of the entire team.