



CROQUET NSW Inc

INTRODUCTION OF THE NEW GOLF CROQUET HANDICAP SYSTEM

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The new Golf Croquet Handicap System will be introduced nationally on the 3rd April 2017 and information has already been distributed to clubs. CNSW would like to provide the following assistance to clubs:

- The 'old' GC handicap card must be replaced with the 'new' GC handicap card showing the players new system handicap and index before a player commences any tournament after 3rd April 2017.
- The physical card will always remain as the most current record of a players handicap and index.
- Clubs will be given access to the CNSW database via the club logon protocols so that they can update handicaps and index's.

This is how the new handicap and index will be determined (information sourced from the ACA).

There are 7 rules and the majority of players will be covered by Rule A

Rule A: If your existing handicap is between 12 & 6: keep your existing handicap and add 1100 to your existing index to get your new index.

Rule B: if your existing handicap is 5: keep your existing handicap and add 1150 to your existing index.

Rule C: if your existing handicap is 4 or 3: keep your existing handicap and add 1200 to your existing index. IF your NEW index is 1800 or above your new handicap becomes 2; otherwise keep your old handicap.

Rule D: if your existing handicap is 12 and you have been struggling to get your index much above 0, ask your club handicapper to reset your handicap to 14 with a new index of 1050

Rule E: a complete new beginner should be started on 16,14,12 or lower- the three times round test has been updated and should be used to set initial handicaps

Rule F: if your existing handicap is 2 or below and you **DO** have a current GC World Ranking Grade, take that grade and use that for your new handicap index. Look up the trigger point table and take the handicap of the trigger point which is at or below your current grade. See also the Note below.

Rule G: if your existing handicap is 2 or below and you **DO NOT** have a current GC World Ranking Grade. Club Handicappers (with the assistance of State Handicapper if necessary) will need to assess an appropriate handicap and index having regard to the handicap of others who are on similar handicaps and indexes under the old system. See also the Note which follows.

Note: for Rules F & G: no player's handicap should increase above their old Handicap under this conversion. For example, if someone had a 1 handicap and a Ranking Grade of 1798, they should NOT be changed to 3 with an index of 1798. Instead they should be remain as a 1 with an index of 1900.

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