

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

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Following all of the presentation and seminar feedback provided by golf club representatives, we have created a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) document, which will be essential for golf clubs to have access to and will prove extremely useful in the education of all golfers.

Golf clubs will be able to circulate this document to all their members via electronic communications, or place hard copies around the golf club.

Here are some of the most important FAQs:



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## **Why is the new WHS being introduced?**

There is one standard set of rules in golf, so it makes sense to unify the six different handicapping systems currently in operation. This will make the game more inclusive and equitable across the world.

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## **When will current handicaps switch over to the WHS?**

The WHS launch date has been set as Monday 2nd November 2020.

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## **I'm new to golf: How do I obtain a Handicap Index?**

Score cards totalling 54 holes need to be returned to the Handicap Committee (3x18 holes, 6x9 holes or a combination of both) before an initial Handicap Index can be awarded.

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## **What is the maximum Course Handicap if the maximum Handicap Index is 54?**

The Course Handicap will likely exceed 54.0 if playing a course with a slope rating of 114 or higher. There is no maximum Course Handicap.

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## **Do I enter competitions using my Handicap Index or my Course Handicap?**

Competition entry should be based on your Handicap Index. This will be clarified in the Terms of Competition.

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## **When playing other courses can I submit a score card to my home club?**

Yes – you can record all pre-registered scores that follow the rules of golf and are authorised formats of play.