

MIXED MATCH PLAY (COUPLES CHALLENGE & MIXED TEAM CHALLENGE) GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

MATCH PLAY FORMAT: Select Drive/Alternate Shot (This format is also called “Greensomes”) Both players on the team tee off. They select their preferred drive and alternate hits until the ball is holed out.

TEE SELECTION: Play is from the RED (Women) or WHITE (Men) tees. Use the correct and corresponding **Course Handicap** for that tee in the calculation of your **Playing Handicap**. Refer to the Golf Canada Score Centre for your correct **Course Handicap**.

MAXIMUM COURSE HANDICAP: Players with a **Course Handicap** of above 40 will play to a “40”. (will use 40 in the calculations)

PLAYING HANDICAP: Your **Playing Handicap** is determined by multiplying your **Course Handicap** (for the tees being played) by the correct **Handicap Allowance** (for the match play format being played) and adding any difference in **Course Par**.

Here is the **FORMULA** to calculate your **Playing Handicap**:

PLAYING HANDICAP = (COURSE HANDICAP X HANDICAP ALLOWANCE) + DIFFERENCE IN COURSE PAR

COURSE PAR: Par for Men is 72, regardless of the tees played. Par for Women is 73, regardless of the tees played. This means that whenever Men and Women compete in match play, 1 stroke will be added to the Men’s **Playing Handicap**.

HANDICAP ALLOWANCE: The **Handicap Allowance** is applied to your **Course Handicap** as per the World Handicap System **Handicap Allowance Table**. (See posted tabled)

*For this format of match play (Select Drive/Alternate Shot) the handicap allowance is as follows:
60% for the lower handicap player on the team.
40% for the higher handicap player on the team.*

TEAM PLAYING HANDICAPS: The combined total of the **Playing Handicaps** of both team members is the **Team Playing Handicap**.

STROKE ALLOCATION: Stroke allocation is based on the difference between the **Team Playing Handicaps**.

Subtract the **Team Playing Handicap** of the team with the lower handicap from the **Team Playing Handicap** of the team with the higher handicap. The resulting value represents the number of strokes given to the higher handicap team.

In Mixed Team & Couples Match Play, strokes are given to the higher handicap team according to the MEN’S “Stroke Index Allocation” (HCP-Men) as listed on the scorecard.

EXAMPLE

		Tee Selection	Course HCP (for that tee)	Handicap Allowance	Individual Playing Handicap	Team Playing Handicap
TEAM ONE	Player 1: Mary	RED	28	40%	28 x (40%) = 11.2 (Rounded down) = 11	11 + 11 = 22
	Player 2: Bob	WHITE	16	60%	16 x (60%) = 9.6 (Rounded up) = 10 + 1 = 11	
TEAM TWO	Player 1: Sue	RED	22	60%	22 x (60%) = 13.2 (Rounded down) = 13	13 + 11 = 24
	Player 2: Pete	WHITE	24	40%	24 x (40%) = 9.6 (Rounded up) = 10 + 1 = 11	

Determine Stroke Allocations:

24 - 22 = 2. Team One (with the lower Team Playing Handicap) gives Team Two 2 strokes.