



What is Playing Handicap?

Playing Handicap is a stroke allowance that is implemented in order to maintain the integrity of the WHS when used in competition. It allows golfers to compete on a level playing field.

How is Playing Handicap calculated?

$$\text{Course Handicap} \times \text{Handicap Allowance} = \text{Playing Handicap}$$

Course Handicap converts to a Playing Handicap for competition purposes only and changes depending on the format of play.

Remember Playing Handicap

- is only used for competition purposes
- ensures equity to calculate competition results
- Golfers do not need to do anything to calculate it (it is generated before their round)
- Golfers should continue to play in the mind-set of their Course Handicap in competition rounds

See the poster and watch the video at https://youtu.be/_gBBTDpzc1c

Next week: 'General Play and Competition Rounds'

To find out more on the World Handicap System visit:
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