



FYLDE AMATEUR SCRATCH GOLF LEAGUE RULES & REGULATIONS

1) THE COMMITTEE

- The FASL (Fylde Amateur Scratch League) is administered by a Committee consisting of President, Secretary and Treasurer. The Committee is solely responsible for the running and administering of FASL Scratch League matches, Scratch KO, Scratch Foursomes & all other FASL organised events.

2) LEAGUE VALUES

The core values of the Scratch league Committee are:

- To uphold the values of the game of Golf and to foster good relations amongst the member clubs in the Fylde District.
- To help maintain a courteous environment for play, that sustains the integrity of the game, promoting honesty, sportsmanship and respect.
- Preserving the values and structure of the League, whilst accepting the need for change.

3) STRUCTURE OF THE LEAGUE

- The FASL is currently comprised of 8 teams, submitted to the league from golf clubs within the Fylde. The teams currently participating in the FASL are: North Shore G.C, Blackpool, St. Anne's Old Links G.C, Royal Lytham & St. Anne's G.C, Fairhaven G.C, Knott End G.C, Fleetwood G.C, Lytham Green Drive G.C & Blackpool Park G.C.

4) FINANCE

- Each of the Member clubs within the Fylde, pay an annual fee to the league as a subscription. This fee will be reviewed and voted on at the League's Annual General Meeting, which is attended by all Scratch Team Captains. Each club will be informed of the annual subscription at the beginning of each calendar year with payment to be by cheque drawn in favour of: The Fylde Amateur Golf League.

5) FYLDE SCRATCH LEAGUE RULES

- Each league team will consist of 6 players.
- Matches will be played off scratch and team captains must ensure that all golfers tee off in strict handicap order. i.e. Lowest handicap will play lowest handicap.
- Points will be awarded as follows; 1 Point for a win, ½ point for a halved match.
- The team with the highest points total at the end of the FASL season will be awarded the title of FASL Champions and will hold the League Shield for a calendar year.
- In the event that two or more teams tie on the same number of points at the final day of the league season, a play-off will be arranged between the teams, at a later date (ideally the following Monday) and each team will submit 6 players.
- In the event of a tie for the league, there will be no halved matches, all ties after 18 holes, will play sudden death until a winner is known. The team with most points will be the winners. In the instance of a tie, each team will nominate a player to decide the match on a sudden death play-off basis.
- All matches will be played from the Men's Competition Tees, or similar tees when these are not available.
- All matches will be played in accordance with the Rules of the R&A, local Rules as laid down by the home club on the day of the match & in conjunction with these FASL League guidelines.
- All results should be sent to the League Secretary ideally, no later than the following day.
- Range Finders are allowed in all FASL events (except when playing at Royal Lytham where they are not permitted).



6) FIXTURES

- The FASL Committee will be responsible for the structure of the League Fixture List. Dates for matches will be sent to each Scratch Team Captain & their Club Secretaries, at least one month before the start of each League season. If it is noticed, at this point that there is likely to be a clash of fixtures, the Scratch Team Captain's concerned will immediately bring this to the attention of the FASL Committee to agree a date to re-arrange the fixture. This must be done before the League commences.
- Once the League has commenced, only an exceptional circumstance* will allow a fixture to be re-arranged.
- It is not in the best interests of the league to re-arrange fixtures due to reasons other than those deemed an exceptional circumstance*, however, that being the case, the fixture in question could be re-arranged at a later date, utilising the blank weekend, left open in Mid July, should the need arise. This will only be done with the approval of the FASL Committee whose decision will be final.

** NB: The FASL Committee reserves the right to decide, in the best interests of the League, what it deems an 'exceptional circumstance' to be.*

7) ELIGIBILITY

- If a player becomes ineligible, for instance he is no longer part of a club within the Fylde Scratch League then he will not be permitted to play in any FASL organised events.
- If a player has already played for another FASL team and transfers clubs, he will not be eligible to play for his new club, in any FASL league matches for the remainder of the year in which he transferred.
- If a player is a member of two clubs within the Fylde, he must nominate which club he wishes to represent and by doing so, will not be eligible to play for his other club. If he changes his allegiance and then wishes to play for his other club, the second rule above will apply.

8) FORFEITURE

- If a team cannot field 6 players, they will forfeit that game and the point will automatically go to the opposing team as a Win.
- If, under exceptional circumstances* a team cannot field at least 4 players then the matter should be referred to the League Committee, who will decide on the best course of action.

9) WEATHER CANCELLATIONS

- The Scratch Team Captain's concerned will make a joint decision, in the interests of the safety of their players during inclement weather. Players will immediately leave the course in the event of thunder and Lightning. If play cannot then be resumed, the match will be abandoned for the evening.
- The match will be re-arranged, should it not be possible to continue play due to a weather cancellation, at a time that is mutually agreeable by both teams and in conjunction with League approval.

10) DISPUTES / RULES COMMITTEE DECISIONS

- All decisions and disputes will be referred to the Committee whose decision will be made without bias and in conjunction with Rule 2 and will be deemed to be final.

Current serving Committee: John Roberts, LEAGUE PRESIDENT
 David Hannis, SECRETARY
 Clark Windross, TREASURER/WEB