



JUNIOR ORDER OF MERIT

INTRODUCTION

The Derbyshire Golf Junior Order of Merit is designed to provide a competitive platform for young golfers to participate in a series of events around the county. The Order of Merit will present young golfers with a structure to demonstrate their skills and golfing ability across a variety of different golf courses.

AIMS

To provide an objective method of measuring the performances of Junior Golfers within Derbyshire through a series of predetermined competitions and events.

CONDITIONS

1. Order of Merit Events will be identified and agreed annually prior to 1st April
2. Order of Merit Events will be open to Junior Golfers under the age of 18 at 00.01 hours at 1st January in the year of the event.
3. Order of Merit Events will be open to both boys and girls
4. Competitors must have a CONGU handicap.
5. The handicap limit for boys is 28 and girls is 36.
6. To be included in the Derbyshire Junior order of Merit Boys/Girls must be a member of a club affiliated to the Derbyshire Union of Golf Clubs.

SCORING

The Order of Merit will select the best 6 finishing positions from the nominated list of participating Junior Opens events and include the Derbyshire Schools Championships, Derbyshire Girls' Championship, Derbyshire Boys' Championship and the Boys' 2nd Division Championship which will be classed as a separate event.

Qualifying scores from the Derbyshire Boys' Championship will be the 36 hole total for both GROSS & NET OOM and scores from the Boys' 2nd Division Championship for GROSS & NET OOM.

Players may play in as many events as they wish throughout the season, however only their best 6 finishing positions will count towards the OOM.

Points will be awarded for the top 25 players based on GROSS and NET finishing positions in participating events according to the table below;

POINTS TABLE

Competitors in the top 50% in the competition will receive points towards the order of merit. This will be weighted depending on the number of participants in the competition.

Below is the example of points distributed if 50 or more players took part in a competition:

Position	Points	Position	Points
1	100	13	20
2	80	14	15
3	70	15	12
4	65	16	10
5	60	17	9
6	55	18	8
7	50	19	7
8	45	20	6
9	40	21	5
10	35	22	4
11	30	23	3
12	25	24	2
		25	1

If there are less, the following calculation will be used based on the above points:

Number of participants in event = x

$$X \div 50 = Y$$

$Y \times 100$ = points for 1st place (rounded to the nearest 5 / 1)

$Y \times 80$ = points for 2nd place

$Y \times 70$ = points for 3rd place

... and so on

EXAMPLE:

35 participants take part in the Junior OOM event

$$35 \div 50 = 0.7$$

$0.7 \times 100 = 70$ points for 1st place

$0.7 \times 80 = 55$ points for 2nd place

$0.7 \times 70 = 50$ point for 3rd place

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$0.7 \times 8 = 6$ points for 18th place (as there were only 35 participants, the last position to get points would be 18th place)

Tied place; points will be aggregated and shared - (e.g. 2 players Tied 3rd = 3rd 70 points and 4th 65 points – total 135 points = 67.5 points each).

Where there is a differential between the boys Standard Scratch Score (SSS) and the girls SSS, the girls NET score will be adjusted accordingly in line with Appendix O of CONGU Unified Handicapping System which states;

For the purposes of the competition, each player playing the course with the higher Standard Scratch Score must have his/her handicap increased by the difference in the two Standard Scratch Scores.

Men's Course (White Tees): SSS 70 Ladies' Course (Red Tees): SSS 72 SSSLadies - SSSMen = 2. All Ladies' handicaps should be increased by 2 strokes		
Lady Exact Handicap	Playing Handicap for Handicap purposes	Playing Handicap for Competition purposes
18.8	19	(19 + 2) = 21
35.5	36	(36 + 2) = 38

Any adjustment that results in a playing handicap above the maximum Exact Handicap allowed (28.0 [36.0]) should be applied only for competition purposes i.e. the adjusted handicap is not used for handicap purposes.

Note: In Qualifying Competitions any adjustment necessary should be applied for competition result purposes only, so that the competition retains its Qualifying status. The adjusted handicaps should not be used to establish the Competition Scratch Score or for the purpose of handicap alteration.

CATEGORIES

NET

The Derbyshire Golf Junior Order of Merit will run a mixed NET category and a separate Girls NET and Boys NET category. The player/s (irrespective of age) who amasses the most points from their 6 best finishes NET throughout the season will become the Derbyshire Golf Junior Boy/Girl NET Golfer of the Year.

GROSS

The Derbyshire Golf Junior Order of Merit will run a GROSS OOM for both Boys and Girls. The player/s (irrespective of age) who amasses the most points from their 6 best finishes GROSS throughout the season irrespective of which age category they come from will become the Derbyshire Golf Junior Boy/Girl GROSS Golfer of the Year.

DECISIONS

The decisions of Derbyshire Golf will be final.