

Course Rating Information & Requirements for Clubs

Conducting a Course Rating

Course ratings are performed by a team typically consisting of between 4 and 8 trained raters, and an 18 hole course with White and Yellow tees to be rated for men and Red tees to be rated for women will typically require approximately 4-5 hours on the course – with the detailed calculations being performed later, away from the club.

Such ratings are performed free of charge - but it is hoped that Clubs will provide light refreshments to the team on the day.

In most instances ride-on buggies are required - on a courtesy basis - for use by the team during the rating process. This will be discussed when the date is agreed.

If ride-on buggies are not available, the time required on the course may increase significantly depending on factors such as the length of the course and green to next tee distances.

Ratings will be conducted on a mutually agreed date and time.

Based upon Health and Safety grounds (as advised by England Golf), and to minimise any disruption to members while they are playing on the course, we will require that play is not permitted to start on the course for a period of time.

The exact duration of such tee(s) closure will depend on various factors including the size of team required and the availability / use of buggies. This will all be discussed in detail after the questionnaire has been completed and returned.

There are a few pre-requisites for performing such an assessment:

- Availability of a current Course Measurement Certificate for each set of tees used for qualifying competitions as per CONGU manual Clause 6.6 & Clause 11. (Note: 'current' means dated within 10 years and the distances shown on the certificate are still correct).
- 2. A current score card (which should agree with the Measurement Certificate)
- 3. On each hole, a permanent fixed 'Distance Point' for each set of tees to be rated. (e.g. a securely embedded post, metal disc or concrete block) as per CONGU manual Definitions and Clause 11.
- 4. A completed questionnaire (blank attached) to provide details of the course and course conditions during the normal playing season (May through September)
- 5. Where available 2 course planners.

The above items must be available/returned at least 2 weeks before the agreed assessment date otherwise the assessment may need to be postponed.