

Northumberland Ladies County Golf Association

Shield Matches – Promotion and Relegation Countback System

If two or more clubs have an equal number of total points in their division, promotion and relegation will be resolved by the Executive Committee using the following countback system.

- The number of individual games won shall be counted and the team with the most individual games won shall be declared the winner of the division. In the case of a tie in relegation position, the team with the fewest number of individual games won shall be relegated.
- Halved matches are not counted.
- If there is still a tie then the number of holes played in the individual games **won** shall be counted and the team with the **fewest** number of holes played shall be declared the winner. In the case of a tie in relegation position, the team with the **highest** number of holes played shall be relegated.
- If there is still a tie then the number of holes played in the matches **lost** will be counted and the team with the **highest** number of holes played shall be declared the winner. In the case of a tie in relegation position, the team with the **fewest** number of holes played shall be relegated.
- In the case of a match being conceded after commencement due to injury on the course or for some other reason, if this happens during the first 9 holes, then it would count as 10. Otherwise, the count is the last hole played i.e., if the match is conceded halfway down the 13th then the count is 12.
- If a player is disqualified due to breach of a County Rule, the score is 10 to the winning team.
- If a walkover is given, for example should a Club turn up without a full team then the score is deemed to be 10/8 and the count is 10.

This note has been agreed by the County Executive and updates the previous note issued in 2015.

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Hon Secretary
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