

In a **Texas Scramble** all play from the teeing area on each hole, one of the tee shots is selected and all play their second shots from that spot. One of the second shots is then selected, and all play their third shots from that spot, and so on until the ball is holed. A minimum number of tee shots of each team member must be used, usually 3 or 4 in teams of 4.

### Where to Play the ball from

- In parts of the General Area cut to fairway height or less: place within 12 inches, no nearer the hole
- Elsewhere in the General Area, Penalty Areas & Bunkers: drop within 1 club length, no nearer the hole in accordance with [Rule 14.6 \(b\)](#)
- When *Preferred Lies* are in operation in the whole General Area or in Bunkers: place within 12 inches, no nearer the hole
- On the Putting Green: place within 6 inches, no nearer the hole

### Handicap Allowance

The Handicap Allowances for Scrambles are:

- Teams of 2            **35%** low handicap + **15%** high handicap
- Teams of 3            **30%, 20%, 10%** from lowest to highest handicap
- Teams of 4            **25%, 20%, 15%, 10%** from lowest to highest handicap

The strokes received for any given Course Handicap can be looked up in [MGC Terms of Competition, Appendix G](#)

It is recommended that short-handed teams receive an extra stroke allowance by including a “ghost” player with a Course Handicap of 20.

The strokes received by each player are calculated to the nearest 0.01 and added to give the total strokes received by the team, which is rounded to the nearest whole number.

### Mixed & Multi-tee Scrambles

When more than 1 set of tees is in use, some players receive an additional stroke allowance to reflect the differences in Course Ratings between the sets of tees and the number of players in the team, as described in [MGC Terms of Competition, Appendix N5](#)

For example, in teams of 4 with men playing from white tees (CR 71.2) and ladies playing from red tees (CR 72.4), in the calculation of the team Playing Handicap each lady receives:

$$\text{Extra strokes} = (72.4 - 71.2) / 4 = 0.3$$

### Handicap Calculators

You can use the interactive [Handicap Calculator](#) on the MGC website to calculate team handicaps in **single tee** scrambles. Just select the tees used and enter the Handicap Index of each player in ascending order.

TEXAS SCRAMBLE TEES

Men: White

TEXAS SCRAMBLE: TEAM OF 4

*Enter Handicap Indexes from lowest to highest*

| H/C Index     | Course H/C |     | Playing H/C |
|---------------|------------|-----|-------------|
| 10.1          | 11         | 25% | 2.75        |
| 20.2          | 23         | 20% | 4.60        |
| 30.3          | 34         | 15% | 5.10        |
| 40.4          | 45         | 10% | 4.50        |
| <b>Total:</b> |            |     | <b>17</b>   |

The page contains links to 2 downloadable Excel files which can be used to calculate team handicaps in both single and multi-tee tee scrambles.

The pages are laid out in such a way as to show how the calculations are performed; see below.

a) The Mapperley Handicap Calculator

**Table 1: Tees and Format**

Single or Multi-Tee: **Multi-Tee**

Format: **Medal or Match Play**

Competition: **Scramble (team of 4)**

Select Single Tee or Multi-Tee, the Format & the Competition from the drop-down lists

Men's Tees: **Men: White** *Select the Men's tees*

Women's Tees: **Women: Red** *Select the Women's tees*

**Table 2: Handicap Index and Gender**

| Player   | Handicap Index | Gender |
|----------|----------------|--------|
| Player A | 10.1           | Female |
| Player B | 20.2           | Male   |
| Player C | 30.3           | Male   |
| Player D | 40.4           | Female |

*Select Genders*

*Enter Handicaps from low to high for each pair or team*

**Table 3: Playing Handicaps: Scramble (team of 4)**

| Player   | Handicap Index | Gender | Tees       | Course Rating | Slope Rating | Par | Course H/C | Multi-tee adjustment | Playing Handicap |
|----------|----------------|--------|------------|---------------|--------------|-----|------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Player A | 10.1           | Female | Women: Red | 72.4          | 128          | 74  | 11         | 25% 2.75             | + 1.20 =         |
| Player B | 20.2           | Male   | Men: White | 71.2          | 127          | 71  | 23         | 20% 4.60             | + =              |
| Player C | 30.3           | Male   | Men: White | 71.2          | 127          | 71  | 34         | 15% 5.10             | + =              |
| Player D | 40.4           | Female | Women: Red | 72.4          | 128          | 74  | 46         | 10% 4.60             | + 1.20 =         |

**Table 4: Foursomes / Greensomes**

1st Pair: Player A + Player B = Team total (A+B) / 2

2nd Pair: Player C + Player D = Team total (C+D) / 2

**Table 5: Scramble (team of 4)**

|                   |              |   |                         |
|-------------------|--------------|---|-------------------------|
| Player A          | 2.75         | + | 0.30                    |
| Player B          | 4.60         | + |                         |
| Player C          | 5.10         | + |                         |
| Player D          | 4.60         | + | 0.30                    |
| <b>Team total</b> | <b>17.05</b> | + | <b>0.60</b> = <b>18</b> |

b) The CONGU Handicap Calculator

|                | Tee1 | Tee2 | Tee3 |
|----------------|------|------|------|
| Course Rating: | 71.2 | 72.4 |      |
| Par:           | 71   | 74   |      |
| Slope Rating:  | 127  | 128  |      |
| Adjustment     | 0    | 1.2  | 0    |

  

|                        | Player 1  | Player 2 | Player 3 | Player 4 |
|------------------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|
| Handicap Index Example | 10.1      | 20.2     | 30.3     | 40.4     |
| Tee Used:              | Tee 2     | Tee 1    | Tee 1    | Tee 2    |
| Course Handicap        | 11        | 23       | 34       | 46       |
| Allowance              | 2.75 25%  | 4.60 20% | 5.10 15% | 4.60 10% |
| Adjustment             | 0.30      | 0.00     | 0.00     | 0.30     |
| <b>Team Handicap</b>   | <b>18</b> |          |          |          |