

## **NERGA Handicap Range for 2021**

For the 2021 season the NERGA Handicap ranges have been amended as follows.

Inter 7.0 to 14.4

**Rabbits** 14.5 to 28

### Why have the Handicap ranges been amended?

The introduction of the new World Handicap System (WHS) has meant that a number of players have seen a reduction in their handicap, with their old CONGU handicap being reduced when their new Handicap Index has been calculated.

This reduction has meant that some players who previously qualified for a NERGA event with their old CONGU handicap would no longer qualify with their new Handicap Index.

For example, a player with a CONGU handicap of 17 has been reduced to a Handicap Index of 15, and thus would no longer qualify to play in a Rabbits event.

The player golfing ability has not changed, thus it doesn't seem fair to exclude a player from NERGA just because WHS has been introduced.

## What has changed

Thus the NERGA committee have decided that, for the 2021 season, the NERGA handicap ranges will be amended to ensure that players who previously qualified for NERGA events, based on their old CONGU handicap, can continue to play in NERGA events with their new Handicap Index.

An analysis was performed of all the clubs in NERGA which determined the following.

- On average, a Rabbit with a **Handicap index of 14.5** will have a **playing Handicap of 16.** 
  - At some clubs, with a low Slope Index (Drax), the player will play off 15, while at a club with a high Slop index (Ripon City) they will play off 17.
- At the top end of the Rabbits handicap range, a player will a Handicap Index of 28 will on average play off 31.

- At a course with the lowest Slope Index (Drax) they will play off 28, but at a course with a high Slope Index (Ripon City) they will play off 34
- Similarly, an Inter player with a **Handicap Index of 7.0**, will on average, **play off 8**. And a player with the max Inter Handicap of **14.4** will on average play off **17**

There is an overlap between the Rabbits and Inter playing handicaps, this is due to the Rabbits playing off Yellow tees and the Inter playing off white tees, with the different tees having a different slope index.

#### In summary

#### **Rabbits**

Player with a Handicap Index of 14.5, on average will have a playing handicap of 16 Player with a Handicap Index of 28, on average will have a playing handicap of 31

#### Inter

Player with a Handicap Index of 7.0, on average will have a playing handicap of 8
Player with a Handicap Index of 14.4, on average will have a playing handicap of 17

The new Handicap ranges will ensure that previous players can continue to play in NERGA events

Similar organisations, (Yorkshire Rabbits association) have also implemented a recalculated Handicap range due to the introduction of WHS.

The NERGA Handicap Ranges will be reviewed again for the 2022 season.

Full details of the playing handicap at each NERGA course are as follows:

# 2021 Handicap Range

Rabbits	Min	14.5	Max	28
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	Yellow	Handicap	Course	Handicap	Course
	Slope			·	
Rabbits	Index	Index	Handicap	Index	Handicap
Drax	114	14.5	14.6	28	28.2
KP Club	114	14.5	14.6	28	28.2
Seaham	119	14.5	15.3	28	29.5
Stocksfield	119	14.5	15.3	28	29.5
Kirbymoorside	121	14.5	15.5	28	30.0
Rudding Park	121	14.5	15.5	28	30.0
Prudoe	122	14.5	15.7	28	30.2
Whitby	122	14.5	15.7	28	30.2
Roseberry G	123	14.5	15.8	28	30.5
Blackwell G	124	14.5	15.9	28	30.7
Catterick	125	14.5	16.0	28	31.0
Hunley	126	14.5	16.2	28	31.2
Bishop A	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Boothferry	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Easingwold	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Malton&N	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Scarbrough	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Wetherby	127	14.5	16.3	28	31.5
Billingham	128	14.5	16.4	28	31.7
Boldon	128	14.5	16.4	28	31.7
Darlington	128	14.5	16.4	28	31.7
Crook	129	14.5	16.6	28	32.0
Richmond	129	14.5	16.6	28	32.0
Wearside	129	14.5	16.6	28	32.0
Cleveland	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
Dinsdale	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
Forest Park	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
HGP	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
SouthMoor	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
Thirsk&N	130	14.5	16.7	28	32.2
Teesside	131	14.5	16.8	28	32.5
Oakdale	133	14.5	17.1	28	33.0
Bedale	134	14.5	17.2	28	33.2
Ripon	135	14.5	17.3	28	33.5
		Average	16.21		31.31

NERGA 2021 Handicap Range

Inter	Min	7	Max	14.4
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	White	Handicap	Course	Handicap	Course
Inter	Slope	Index	Handicap	Index	Handicap
Ravensworth	117	7	7.2	14.4	14.9
Drax	122	7	7.6	14.4	15.5
Kirbymoorside	123	7	7.6	14.4	15.7
Blackwell G	125	7	7.7	14.4	15.9
Catterick	126	7	7.8	14.4	16.1
Easingwold	127	7	7.9	14.4	16.2
Cleveland	128	7	7.9	14.4	16.3
Scarbrough	129	7	8.0	14.4	16.4
Billingham	130	7	8.1	14.4	16.6
Bishop A	130	7	8.1	14.4	16.6
Boothferry	130	7	8.1	14.4	16.6
Hunley	130	7	8.1	14.4	16.6
Darlington	131	7	8.1	14.4	16.7
Roseberry G	131	7	8.1	14.4	16.7
Rudding Park	131	7	8.1	14.4	16.7
SouthMoor	131	7	8.1	14.4	16.7
Crook	132	7	8.2	14.4	16.8
Wearside	132	7	8.2	14.4	16.8
Dinsdale	134	7	8.3	14.4	17.1
Houghton LS	134	7	8.3	14.4	17.1
Malton&N	134	7	8.3	14.4	17.1
Thirsk&N	134	7	8.3	14.4	17.1
Bedale	135	7	8.4	14.4	17.2
Ripon	135	7	8.4	14.4	17.2
HGP	136	7	8.4	14.4	17.3

Average 8.05   16.55
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