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Combining Match Play and Stroke Play:

The combining of match play and stroke play is discouraged as certain Rules are substantially different between the two formats. However, there will be times when players either request to combine the two forms of play or, having done so on their own, request a ruling. The Committee should make its best efforts to support players at these times and should use the following guidelines in doing so.

When players request to combine match play and stroke play: If a Committee chooses to allow players to play a **match** while competing in a **stroke-play** competition, it is recommended that the players be advised that the **Rules for Stroke Play** apply throughout. For example, no concessions are allowed and if one player plays out of turn, the other does **not have** the option of recalling the stroke.

When players request a ruling having combined match play and stroke play: If the Committee is asked for a ruling when players have combined match play and stroke play, it should apply the **Rules of Golf** as they would apply to each of **match play and stroke play separately**. For example, if one player did not complete a hole for whatever reason then he or she is disqualified from the stroke-play competition for a breach of Rule 3.3c. But, for Stableford, Maximum Score and Par/Bogey see Rules 21.1c(2), 21.2c and 21.3c(2) respectively.

For further information or clarification refer R&A Section 6C Committee Procedures

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