



Continuous Handicap Review Guidance

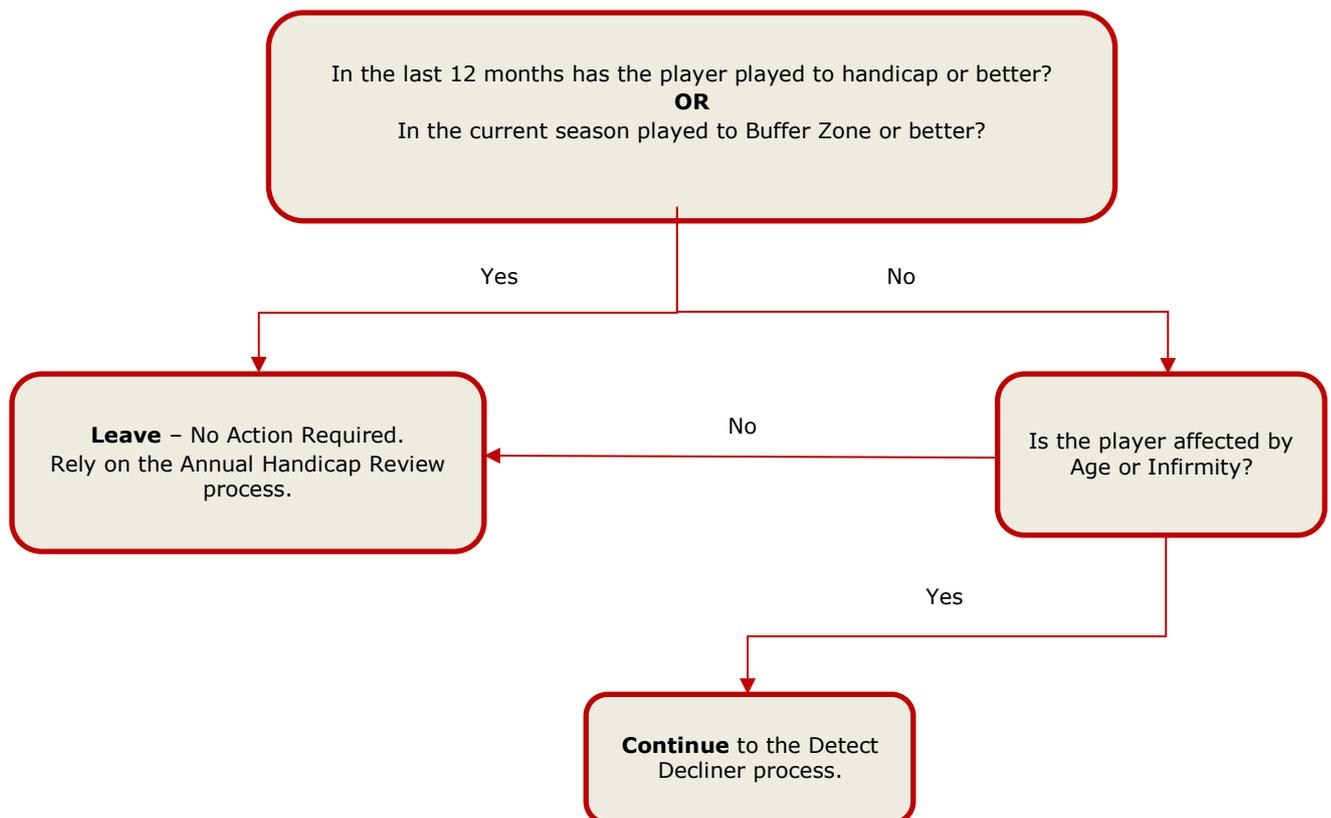
In 2016 CONGU introduced the Continuous Handicap Review (Clause 23D) to run alongside the Annual Review (AR) Report to identify those players who may be struggling to play to handicap during the season.

Your handicap software includes a report that will identify players that have received at least 7 consecutive x 0.1 increases. We would recommend that you run this report at least once per quarter.

The handicap committee should then review the report and consider the following steps to narrow down the list to highlight those players most in need.

To answer these questions you will need:

- The playing record of each player identified
- Knowledge of previous Annual or Continuous Handicap Reviews
- Knowledge of the Player (age, ill health or injury)





Detect Decliner

Step 1

Has the player appeared on the previous Annual Handicap Review (AHR) report or the previous Continuous Handicap Review (CHR) report?

If Yes – then the player is likely to be a decliner and was either in need of a larger adjustment on that occasion or they have continued to decline. Continue to Action.

If No – continue to step 2.

Step 2

Consider how many 0.1 returns are in the scoring sequence and over what period of time

This will give an indication of whether this is a player undergoing a gentle decline, a player simply undergoing a period of poor form or a player in sharp decline. Continue to Action

Action

Having considered the evidence, you may decide not to take immediate action and instead defer for further consideration after the next AHR/CHR.

Alternatively, you may decide the player is indeed a decliner in need of an immediate handicap increase. Whilst the evidence may suggest an apparent need to increase the handicap significantly, we would advise that this should be carried out in stages over a period of reviews unless there are exceptional circumstances which would justify an immediate larger adjustment.