



Dear WCC Member,

The primary goal of the handicap committee is to implement a series of checks and balances that will allow all player handicaps to be verified, and thus eliminate the perception of inequity during club events.

Starting in 2019, all members wishing to participate in club events, or plan to represent the club directly or indirectly in our local section events or non-section club events, or events that might require club handicap verification, those members will be expected to adhere to the following rules:

- Before your round, players must stop into the pro shop and sign the daily sign-in sheet.
- All rounds, competitive or not, must be turned in and attested by at least one other player in your group. Solo round scores may not be turned in unless approved by the handicap committee in advance.
- All attested scorecards need to be dropped into the “score box” either in the bar or at the Pro Shop for random verification by committee members.
- Scores must be entered in the GAP handicap system. You can do this either in the Pro Shop, or via the GAP mobile app., additionally, there will be a clip board in the bar where you can enter your score if you don’t have the mobile app. or the pro shop is closed for any reason.
- Scores are to be posted within 24 hours from the time the round is played. Periodic score verification will be conducted by members of the handicap Committee on a random basis. If during a routine check, it is found that you have played on a given day but did not enter your score, you’ll be sent a notification to enter your score within the remainder of the 24 hours period. If the score is not posted within the allotted time, a score of 72 (even par) shall be entered for your round that day.
- Away scores should be handled in a similar manner and posted via the mobile app. or upon your immediate return to the club. Scorecards should be dropped in the “score box” upon your return to the club as well.

Lastly, it is important to remember a few USGA rules regarding posting.

- All nine (9) hole scores must be posted.
- When playing rounds where Putts may be given or holes may be conceded before the ball is actually holed, players must give themselves a score on those holes that would reflect the “most likely score” the player would have scored if they completed the hole. When calculating this score, the player must also account for equitable stroke control.
- In rounds that have not been completed due to weather, darkness, or concession of a match, etc., players must score a nine (9) hole, or eighteen (18) hole round as if he had



finished the nine (9) hole, or eighteen (18) hole round by entering a score for the remaining un-played holes that would reflect the scores for those holes if completed, and then post the score. For these purposes, the USGA uses the following rules: if a player completes 7 to 12 holes, that round is recorded as a nine (9) hole round. Rounds that are not completed but consist of thirteen (13) hole or more, should be recorded as an 18 hole round. Again, these un-played holes must be accounted for using the same rules regarding the “most likely score” being used for each of those holes accounting for equitable stroke control.

- All posted scores need to follow the USGA Equitable Stroke Control rules in order to accurately post the correct score. Below is the maximum stroke that may be taken by course handicap.

<u>Course Handicap</u>	<u>Maximum Number</u>
9 or less	Double Bogey
10-19	7
20-29	8
30-39	9
40 and above	10

While it is nearly impossible to address every scenario that may arise related to the rules of golf and the rules for posting scores, we ask that you remember the goal; that of creating a true and equitable method of play and scoring that allows us to honor the game, create a trust in the system, bolster our tournament participation, and to make the game more enjoyable to play.

If for any reason you have a question related to the above rules, or questions about other handicap related matters, please seek out someone on the handicap committee for help.

Thank you,

WCC Handicap chairman