

Handicap Committee Meeting Proposal

Proposed rules and regulations for handicap and tee boxes (will be posted for all members on the association website).

Objective of the proposed change: align handicap ruling with the USGA recommendations

- Player's course handicap will always be considered for all handicap rules and regulations
- Maximum score per hole will be 9

USGA Handicap System defines maximum score for players with 30 handicap as "9" on any hole. This is especially important on Par 3 holes. This will not affect lower handicap players as the scoring system will apply Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) adjustments based on their maximum allowable scores ("7" or "8"). We believe this would have minimal impact on pace of play.

- Standard tee boxes will be as close as possible to a course rating of 70 and a slope rating of 120. The committee shall make exceptions based on: (1) course condition on any given day, (2) knowledge of the course and/or (3) discrepancy in net scores.
- Change in standard tee boxes are at the discretion of the board at any time.
- Our recommendation for the forward tee box is as follows:
 - Add age and handicap of the player. When the total equals or exceeds 80, the player is allowed to tee off from the forward tee box
 - Any player with a handicap equal or higher than 20 is allowed to tee off from the forward tee box

The threshold for a composite number at 80 is based on historical rule of age of 62 or handicap of 18. Combining both rules should eliminate noticeable differences in money pools and level the playing field

- Any player who wants to play from the back tee boxes can do so