

TWIN LAKES VILLAGE MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION TOURNAMENT HANDICAP PROCESS

Purpose

The Men's Club handicap process described below will be used to adjust tournament handicaps for players who consistently perform well in competition while protecting players whose tournament scores are typically higher than their GHIN handicap.

Men's Club Handicap Committee

The Men's Club Handicap Committee shall consist of five (5) members: the Twin Lakes Village Golf Club Professional, two (2) Men's Club board members (Handicap Chairman & Tournament Chairman), and two (2) non-board members approved by a vote of the board.

Thursday Night Men's League & Outside Play

The pro shop will enter Men's League scores into each player's respective GHIN every week. No adjustments will be made to any member's GHIN by the pro shop, Handicap Chairman or the Men's Club. It is the responsibility of each member to accurately enter scores of all rounds played outside of Men's Club events.

Tournament Performance Adjustment Process

The pro shop will enter Men's Club tournament scores into each player's respective GHIN after every tournament. For each player, an 18-hole tournament average will be calculated using the last five (5) Men's Club tournaments.

- If a player's average net score is below par, the number of strokes below par will be subtracted from their GHIN handicap and used as a Men's Club Tournament Handicap for the following tournament(s).
- If the player's average net score is higher than their GHIN handicap, the player will use their regular GHIN handicap for the tournament.
- Handicap adjustments will be recalculated after each event using the most recent five (5) tournaments.

Minimum Rounds Requirement:

- Tournament handicaps will begin after three (3) tournament rounds.
- Players with three to four (3-4) tournament rounds will receive a 50% adjustment until they reach the five-tournament standard.
- Players with fewer than three (3) tournament scores will use their current GHIN Handicap Index.

Time Consideration

Tournament scores used in the five-round average should come from a reasonable time period, for example within the past 6 to 12 months, to maintain fairness and reflect current playing ability.

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References

1.3 Responsibilities of Player, Handicap Committee, and Authorized Association

<https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping/roh/Content/rules/1%203%20Responsibilities%20of%20PlayerHandicapCommittee.htm>

Definitions

<https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping/roh/Content/rules/Definitions.htm>

Appendix A: Rights & Responsibilities

<https://www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/handicapping/roh/Content/rules/Appendix%20A%20Rights%20and%20Responsibilities.htm>