

ATTENTION! REVISED POLICY! PLEASE READ!

WPA Tournament Handicap Policy

At all WPA tournaments including NCGA qualifiers, members will use their current handicap as of the latest GHIN Handicap Revision prior to the event. The player's handicap for any subsequent rounds in an NCGA or WPA event will be per the NCGA or WPA handicap policy for that event.

For WPA members who have not established a handicap index....

Stroke Play Event: The handicap is not established until the end of the round. At the scoring table the scoring committee determines the differential of the participant's score from par (i.e.: Score 82. Par 72. Differential 10). The participant's handicap will be 80% of the differential rounded down to the nearest whole number. In the example above, the handicap would be 8 ($80\% \times 10 = 8$). A stroke play event is any event that will result in a postable score such as medal play, best ball, etc.

Non stroke play: Some events require a handicap prior to play such as a team scramble, Chapman Scotch Double etc. The Member Guest tournament falls into this category.

In these cases we will need to know the participant's average 18 hole score. We would give a handicap of 80% of the average differential (i.e. a participant says their average 18 hole score is 100. The differential ($100 - 72$) is 28). The participant's handicap would therefore be 80% of 28 which is 22.4. After rounding down to the nearest whole number the handicap would be 22.

Posted scores but no handicap: This can happen when a new member posts several scores their first month as a member, but they haven't been sent to the NCGA yet. If there are fewer than three scores, use the above process that suits the situation for that tournament. If they have three or more scores, take the average differential for those rounds take 80% of the differential and round down to the nearest whole number. The differential will be on the NCGA computer for the posted rounds. **Special Note:** In order to win an NCGA Qualifier, the participant must have an established NCGA index.

The WPA reserves the right to refuse tournament scores that are too low.

WPA Tie Breaker Policies

Ties in all WPA club events shall be decided by the NCGA card off method. Club championship ties will be decided by a sudden death playoff at the conclusion of the final round. If a player does not remain at the course for the playoff, he or she forfeits the match. NCGA event ties shall be decided by an 18 hole playoff match at a later date (green fees will be paid by the club). Ties for alternate players shall be determined by the NCGA card off method.

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