

WEDNESDAY BUSINESSMEN'S GOLF LEAGUE
LIST OF RULES & REGULATIONS
EFFECTIVE March 12, 2019

1. All players will follow USGA Stroke Play rules with these **two** exceptions:
 - A. Winter rules will prevail everywhere on the golf course, until the course posts Summer Rules. The Summer Rules will apply on the entire golf course.
 - B. Any rules established by the club or league, includes the embedded ball rule.
2. In the event of inclement weather, including rain, all golf matches will be played unless called off by the head officer of the league present on the night in question. No matches shall be called off before 3:30 pm of the night in question. Call the golf course to verify the course is open. Rain checks are issued at the discretion of the golf course. All teams must finish play for scores, match points, and skins to count - course is to determine if play is to occur. Skin money rolls over to the next week of play. No matches may be played ahead of the scheduled day. **Members have option of teeing off up to 30 minutes early – Inform Secretary and Course Starter to allow others to fill the gaps in the tee sheet.** Score cards must be turned in every night, even in the event of inclement weather.
3. If any member of the foursome feels he cannot play at his scheduled tee time, it is up to that member to get a substitute.
4. In the event of a forfeit (no team present at scheduled tee time) it will be no match and the team present wins 19 - 0. If one player shows for a forfeiting team, the other team gets 14 points plus the two players play for an additional 9 points. A team is ineligible for any prize money, point money and tourney/fun night money, if the team forfeits 2 or more times in a year.
5. Golf green fees will be paid to the course by every member purchasing a 20 round punch card. . The starter will give the score card to the last member of the foursome that checks in.
6. The payment of league dues must be paid to the Treasurer by the end of the second night of league play. If not paid by this time, offenders will be lose their points earned to date. The dues will support a prize fund, event prizes, secretary fees, sunshine fund, and tournament prizes and refreshments. The amount of dues for the season will be determined and voted on at the annual spring meeting. Non-payment of dues will result on removal of that team or team member from the league roster.
7. All team matches must be played at the golf course on the same nine holes, only on the scheduled night, **during the league tee times. Teams may tee off up to 30 minutes early if course has open tee times.**
8. 30 point system: Three (3) points will be awarded for each hole. The low handicap golfers of each team will compete against each other and the high handicap golfers of each team will compete against one other for one point each per hole. The third point is awarded to the team low net. The final three points are awarded one point each head to head for each player and the final point to the team with the lowest net total score. All points are halved in the event of a tie.
9. All team members must be 18 years old and no longer enrolled in high school. All team members and subs are eligible for special prizes (play of the day) during scheduled league nights. **(skins, hole prizes)**
10. Any new member or sub without an established League handicap will use 90% of an adjusted score of maximum double bogey per hole for a handicap for the first three (3) rounds and full handicap thereafter. All substitute scores will be their

own and not the member they are replacing. **Seniors (60+) may tee off from the silver tees – must reestablish handicap.**

11. Members of the Golf League must pay their own green fees in all instances, and pay for their subs green fees.
12. **One member of each team must check and sign the scorecard. Once the card is signed and turned in, the scores and points stand as is.**
13. League play will be from the white tees. At the beginning of season play, a player may as an option, select to play from the blue tees. This selection will be for the entire season, including playoffs. The player may return to the white tees at the beginning of the next season of league play, with a reduction of one stroke on their league calculated handicap for the first five weeks. **Seniors may elect to play silver tees. When changing tees, player must reestablish handicap.**
14. Rules committee will convene upon any dispute or grievance of the players. **(League Officers)**
15. Handicap: Handicap will be figured on the average of golfers low five of last eight league or pro-rated 5/8 of total rounds, if less than eight. This system will be retroactive to include all league rounds played prior year. Only the scores shot on a regular league nights will be used to figure handicap. However, an established handicap can be used to play on either night when substituting. Low man will play low man and high man will play high man against their handicap. No score higher than 54 shall be used in determining handicaps. The course hole handicap rating will be used to determine the hole handicap.
16. Playoffs for championship:

The top 8 teams will compete in a seeded bracket to determine positions 1-8. Next 8 teams will compete in a seeded bracket to determine positions 9-16.

Seeded Bracket – 1 vs 8; 2 vs 7....

Playoffs will take place over the final three weeks of the season crowning champion on the final night.

Playoffs will be shotgun start with highest seeded team starting on first hole.

Subs must be approved to play in playoffs.
17. A fee of \$.40 per man per night will be paid to the Secretary for compiling the handicap and standings throughout the season.
18. Skins game will be played in 3 flights divided equally by handicap. \$2 per person per night.
19. League franchise rules:
 - A. The first name of the team is the team member with the franchise, based on the number of years in the league.
 - B. Teams may get a substitute team for one season and not lose their franchise.
 - C. A team member, for any reason, may get a substitute for the season.
 - D. Should the first team member leave the league, the second team member must arrange for his own team partner. If none is arranged by the spring meeting during roster calling, the opening will be filled by letters received asking to join the league.
 - E. Should a team opening exist that opening can be filled by:
 1. A team or team member from either night. (If more than one team or team member asks for that spot, cards will be cut for the spot.)
 2. Then openings for teams will be determined by the first letter received by the league secretary postmarked no sooner than Jan. 1st. of that year. A drawing would determine the rank of letters postmarked on the same day.

20. Each spring an annual meeting will be held to:

- A. Read the roll call of the league team roster to confirm the team members.
- B. President shall appoint committee members to Sunshine/Tournament/Prize/Rules and Score reporting.
- C. Select date of play start and number of weeks of play.
- D. Set dues for the next year.
- E. Conduct any other business presented to the league.

20. Next year's officers will be elected at the fall meeting.

21. Out of bounds or lost ball penalty will allow players to hit 4th shot from fairway nearest to spot of lost ball or OOB.