

# POSTING SCORES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE USGA HANDICAP SYSTEM

*Adjusted gross scores* from all courses with a *USGA Courses Rating* and *Slope Rating* made during an *active season*, both home and away, must be posted. Scores when a player plays alone are unacceptable scores. If 7-to 12 holes are played under the Rules of Golf the player must post a 9-hole score. If 13 or more holes are played, the player must post an 18-hole score. Scores in both match and stroke play must be posted for handicap purposes. This includes scores made in match play or in team competitions in which players have not completed one or more holes or in which players are requested to pick up when out of contention on a hole. Scores for unplayed holes must be recorded as par plus any handicap strokes that the player is entitled to receive on the unplayed holes. If a player picks up on a hole, a realistic estimate of the score the player would have made should be recorded.

## Adjusted Gross Scores are Determined Using Equitable Stroke Control

All scores for handicap purposes, including *tournament scores*, are subject to the application of *Equitable Stroke Control* as follows:

PLAYER'S HANDICAP FOR THE COURSE PLAYED	MAXIMUM SCORE TO BE TAKEN ON ANY HOLE
9 or less	Double Bogey
10 through 19	7
20 through 29	8
30 through 39	9
40 or more	10

## Posting a Score from an Unrated Set of Tees on a Rated Course

If a USGA Course Rating and Slope Rating from a selected set of tees are not available for the appropriate gender, the player should refer to "The USGA Handicap System" for information on how to determine the slope and rating.

## When to Post as a Tournament Score

A "tournament score" (T-Score) is a score made in a competition organized and conducted by the committee in charge of the competition. The competition must identify a winner(s) based on a stipulated round(s), and must be played under the Rules of Golf. The Committee must determine in advance if these conditions are met and if the score should be posted as a tournament score identified by the letter "T".

Routine events, such as regular play days, are not to be designated as tournament scores. T-Scores must be significant events. Examples of scores made at the club level that should be designated as ***Tournament Scores*** include club championships (stroke play or match play) and member-guest competitions.

Examples at the regional and state level include qualifying and championship rounds conducted by ***authorized golf associations***. Also, qualifying and championship rounds conducted for national competitions should be designated as ***Tournament Scores***. See chart below.

