



HANDICAP POLICY

A. PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITY FOR ACCURATE POSTING OF SCORES:

1. Player must have a USGA GHIN Number to participate in any club events or league play. A player can get registered or transfer a GHIN Number at the Golf Shop.
2. Equitable Stroke Control (ESC) sets a maximum number of strokes that a player can post on any hole based upon the player's current Course Handicap. For handicap purposes, a player is required to adjust hole scores (actual or "most likely") when they are higher than the player's maximum ESC number. When recorded on the scorecard, these holes should be preceded by an X. See the ESC Chart on the next page:

Your Current Handicap Max Score on any Hole

9 or Less	Double Bogey
10 – 19	7
20 – 29	8
30 – 39	9
40 or More	10

3. Player must post all scores of rounds that have been played under the USGA Rules of Golf. This posting can be done using the handicap computer in the clubhouse or over the Internet at GHIN.com.
4. If a player plays 7 to 12 holes, a "Nine Hole Score" must be posted. Playing 13 or more holes requires that an "Eighteen Hole Score" be posted.
5. The Head Golf Professional will determine which events qualify for Tournament Score entry.
6. Players must post all acceptable scores within 48 hours of the round's conclusion.
7. The Professional Golf Staff or the Handicap Committee (as defined in section B.1. below) can post a penalty score if a player fails to post a score according to the posting guidelines. If a player fails to post scores or willingly attempts to avoid complying with the USGA Handicap System, the Professional Golf Staff may withdraw the player's Handicap Index making the player ineligible for competition.

8. For holes that are unfinished or strokes that are conceded, post a score for that hole by determining “your most likely score” for the hole. The “most likely score” is the actual number of strokes taken added to the estimated number of strokes needed to finish the hole from that position more than half of the time (in the player’s best judgment). These holes should be preceded by an X when recorded on a scorecard.
9. For any holes that are not played or not played under the Rules of Golf, post par plus any handicap strokes that the player is entitled to receive on these holes. When posting a score, these holes should be preceded by an X when recorded on a scorecard.

B. HANDICAP COMMITTEE; HANDICAP MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE

1. The Bonita National Handicap Committee (“Handicap Committee”, “Committee”) will be comprised of three members: one female, one male and the Chairperson of the Golf Committee. The purpose of the Committee will be to monitor the inputting of member’s scores for the purpose of qualifying members for tournament play and other play where handicaps are required, and to act on and resolve any concerns regarding player’s handicaps as set forth in this section.
2. In compliance with section A.3. above, each member of Bonita National Golf and Country Club will be required to post 100% of the rounds they play to be eligible for play in member tournaments and events that use the handicaps to level the playing field, i.e., Ladies’ Day and Men’s Day weekly events.
3. Members of the Handicap Committee will monitor member play and posting on a monthly basis. The Committee may, at their convenience, meet and check play tee sheets against member’s posted scores.
4. Before an announced tournament, the Handicap Committee will review members’ handicaps and their posted rounds of golf. The Committee will determine which members have not met the 100% rounds posted before the tournament. A representative of the Committee will alert the individual member by phone and/or email, that they have not complied with the handicap policy. The member will have 3 days to either post the relevant score or contact the Committee and explain any circumstances that support their lack of posting the required rounds.
5. As needed, the Committee at their discretion, may (a) meet and discuss the individual member’s case and decide if the reasons presented mitigate not posting the required rounds before a tournament, (b) post a penalty score for the member equal to his or her current handicap, within 3 days, or (c) execute other action as set forth in section 8-4.b. Penalty Scores for Failure to Post of the USGA Handicap System Manual (<http://www.usga.org>), within 3 days. The decision of the Handicap Committee will be final and may not be appealed.
6. As set forth in section A.7 above, members who fail to comply with the posting of an accurate score will be refused entry into the next tournament/event.
7. Certain tournament rounds will be posted for the members as tournament scores on the GHIN as determined by the Head Golf Professional.