

2021 STANDING RULES

1. The Executive Board may amend these rules.
2. USGA Rules will apply to play days except where local rules apply.
3. The Executive Board will determine the format for play days. Two play days per month should be formats that generate a postable score.
4. The Recorder will determine annual awards.
5. **MAXIMUM STROKES**
Depending on your handicap, each hole has a different maximum number of strokes that can be posted. THIS IS DIFFERENT FROM PREVIOUS YEARS!
To determine your maximum strokes on each hole —add double bogey and your “pops”. For example, par 4. Double bogey would be 6 (4+2). Then add your pops. If you get 2 pops on a par 4, the maximum number of strokes posted would be $6 + 2 = 8$ max. in this case, after player has 8 strokes, pick up ball and record 8 on that hole.
6. Depending on the total number of players, three or four flights will be incorporated into each play day to allow players to have the opportunity to play with other golfers whose game is similar to yours.
7. Max number of players on a playday will be 60.

HANDICAP INDEX

- When you have posted five gross scores (18 hole rounds) and a GHIN revision date has passed, your club will issue you a Handicap Index. Your Handicap Index is usually referred to simply as your Index. Your index is used to determine your handicap for a specific course. That is normally done at your home course such as here at ALGCC.
- Once you have established your Index, it stays with you and your handicap will be adjusted, and be fair for you, no matter where you play. For example, you might have a handicap of 35 here at Alto but you would be a 40 at Pebble Beach, which is a much harder course to play. The opposite is also true. You might have a 35 here at Alto but you would be a 30 at Podunk Meadows course, which is much easier. This index is used by the Pro to determine what Flight you will be playing in for tournaments and play days.

NOTE: If you have a high handicap, the computer index will be adjusted for flight play. Check with the Pro Shop for your locally adjusted handicap.

8. PLAY DAY AWARDS

- (A) Birdie —a player who gets a “birdie” during INDIVIDUAL PLAY, not scramble play, will be eligible to receive an award pin.
- (B) Chip In —a player who gets a “chip in” will be eligible to receive an award pin. Note: A chip in is defined as holing out from off the putting surface with any club.
- (C) Awards for birdies and chip-ins will only be awarded during straight golf games, when each player is playing her own ball. No chip-ins or birdies will be awarded on temporary greens.

9. ACE AWARDS

Ace of the Month per Flight — once a month (on Ace Day) the player in each Flight (1, 2, 3 and 4) with the lowest net score for 9 holes will be recognized. Players must have an established handicap to be Ace of the Month.

Note: Players will only be eligible to win the Ace Award once each season.

10. COMPETITION SEASON AWARDS (MAY — AUGUST)

- (A) Acquired handicap — Given to each player who establishes a first-time handicap during the year.
- (B) Most improved Golfer — Given to player who makes the greatest improvement in her handicap. Must play a minimum of three play days from May through August.
- (C) Low Gross —an award will be given to the player with the lowest gross score based on the average of the five best scores on play days. Note: A player will be eligible for Low Net OR Low Gross, not both.
- (D) Low Net —an award will be given to the player with the lowest net score (using 1/2 handicap) based on the average of the five best scores during play days.

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