

Senior Women's Golf League Standing Rules

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CANCELLATION POLICY:

- **FULL REFUND:** If a player must cancel her participation in any tournament, she must notify the Executive Director a minimum of ten(10) days prior to the Play Day in order to receive a full refund.
- **PROCESSING FEE:** If a member cancels less than ten (10) days prior to the play date she will be charged a \$20 Processing Fee. The remaining green fee will not be refunded until after the play day in the event the course charges us for your cancellation.
- **NO SHOW:** If a member is a NO SHOW on the Play Day and does not follow the cancellation policy, all monies paid by the member for the Play Day will be forfeited.
- **INCLEMENT WEATHER:**
SWGL cannot cancel play due to inclement weather. The golf course is the only one who can cancel play. The tournament will progress as usual and continue to pay out 1/3 of the field regardless of how many players participate.

CHECK-IN:

- SWGL members are encouraged to arrive no later than forty-five (45) minutes prior to play and check-in as soon as possible.

CLOSEST TO THE HOLE:

- SWGL will pay 2 places per designated Closest to the Hole on each course not to exceed \$25 per course.

COURSE SELECTION:

- Course Selection must be postmarked by April 1st to be eligible for My Play Days or the Random Draw.
Please verify with all of your playing partners before you send in the Course Selection.
- Course Selections received after April 1st will be posted as first come first served.
- All players listed on Course Selection must be a **PAID MEMBER**.
- You must name your playing partners. Course selections cannot be held for unknown players.
- A minimum of \$20 per person, per course must be included with the Course Selection Form.

FLIGHT SCHEDULE:

- Flights will consist of 18-20 players based on participation not to exceed six flights.

GOLF CLUBS:

- You are not allowed to exchange golf clubs during a round.

GREEN FEE:

- Paying early does not guarantee your placement on a course nor does it give you advantage over anyone else. You may pay for Course Selections on March 31st and still be eligible for My Play Days or the Random Draw on April 1st.
 - Remaining balance of Green Fee(s) are due one month prior to play. If your green fee is not received by the due date you may be removed from the play list.
 - **MEMBERS** of selected courses must pay \$20. You will receive a refund as long as you follow the Cancellation Policy.

GPS DEVICES:

- SWGL will allow players to use devices that measure distance only. However the use of devices that gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play is not permitted. GPS on carts is also allowed.
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HANDICAP:

- Must have an active GHIN # & handicap established with another NNWGA Golf Club
- All members in good standing may participate in any SWGL play days. A maximum course handicap of 40 shall be used in all SWGL play days. If a member does not have an established USGA handicap, that player is not entitled to compete for prizes. Must have an active GHIN # & handicap established with another NNWGA Golf Club.

MEMBERSHIP:

- Dues: No refund of dues after May 1st.

MY PLAY DAYS:

- My Play Days is your confirmation of playing that listed course & to verify payment for each course.
- If a course is **not over selected** by April 1st you &/or your group will be placed on My Play Days.
- It is very important that you check My Play Days on the website.
- My Play Days is **NOT** pairings. Pairings takes place approximately two weeks prior to tournament.

NEW MEMBERS:

- New members will have to have membership dues paid when Course Selections are made.
- Must have an active GHIN # & handicap established with another NNWGA Golf Club.

PRIZE FUND - PAYOUTS:

- You have the **option** of participating in the Prize Fund. If you wish to participate you must pay \$5.00 cash on the day of play. We cannot accept checks. Please bring correct amount.
- Pay outs will be made over one-third of the field (one-third gross and two-thirds net). Ties will be broken for last place position according to USGA Rules of Golf. All winners in each flight will receive cash which will be stapled to their scorecard at the next tournament they're playing.
- Winners of each flight will be notified by email, their names submitted to the newspaper & posted on the website: www.swgl.org

POSTING OF SCORES:

- Scores will be posted by SWGL.
- Scores are NOT posted as a "T" score.
- 18-hole rounds & 9-hole rounds will be posted.
- Rounds where 13 or more holes are played for an 18-hole round and 7 or more holes are played for a 9-hole round. For the holes not played, the player shall record a score of par plus any handicap strokes to which she is entitled on each hole.

RANDOM DRAW:

- After the Course Selections that are received by April 1st are posted, the number of selections for each course will be reviewed.
 - A random draw will be used to alleviate Course Selections for those courses that become over selected.
 - It is a statistical possibility that some members may be bumped more than once.
 - If you are bumped you have the option of moving to the opposite course if it is not full or going on the Waiting List. You will be notified.
 - Random Draw from previous years cannot be taken into consideration for current year
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RULES:

- SWGL will play by summer rules, no bumping the ball.
- Competition in any tournament is based upon the USGA Rules, except when modified by a posted local rule with approval of the Board of Directors. It is the responsibility of every member to know and enforce the USGA Rules for the protection of the field. Any rules question determined by the Rules Coordinator and Tournament Coordinator shall be final.
- When there is a question about the application of the rules or a penalty, the member is encouraged to hit a second ball and note the scores for each ball on her scorecard. The marker and the member should not sign the card until the ruling is made on the appropriate score and penalty, if any. Disqualification of a competitor will be guided by USGA Rule 6-6, which states that a member shall be disqualified if she posts a score lower than she actually received or should have received based upon any penalties assessed.

SCORECARDS:

- You must turn in your scorecard after each game. We have to post a score for you even if you have disqualified yourself.
- If you put an "X" on your scorecard you **will not** be eligible for the prize money if you paid. "X" means you DQ'd your self.
- No one is allowed to go thru the scorecards once they are put into the scoring box.

WALKERS:

- All players are required to ride in a cart. Walking the course is not allowed in order to keep the pace of play.

WAITING LIST:

- Course Selections received after April 1st will be taken in order received by postmark date and either given an available spot on the course(s) or placed on the Waiting List. You will be notified.
- Most people placed on Waiting List get to play.
- Waiting Lists from previous years cannot be taken into consideration for current year.

TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES (printed in your Roster Book):

- USGA Rules apply except where local rules prevail. SWGL will play by summer rules, no bumping the ball.
- Rule 3-3 Doubt as to procedure: A competitor doubtful of right of procedure may without penalty, play a second ball.
- Please exchange score cards within your group. Designate one person in your group to keep a master card.
- Sign, date, attest your scorecard and verify GHIN number. Adjust your score according to ESC (Equitable Stroke Control). If you pick up (do not finish the hole) put an "X" on the scorecard for that hole. You **will not** be eligible for the prize money if you paid; however, your score will be posted using ESC.
- Scores will be posted by SWGL. Put score card in the box provided before you leave the course.
- Pace of play will be monitored.
- SWGL will allow players to use GPS devices that measure distance only.
- Red stakes or red lines are used to define water hazard or lateral hazards.

PLEASE KEEP UP WITH THE GROUP AHEAD OF YOU.

