

Ladies of Legends
Nine Hole Golf Association
Section B
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DUES, CANCELLATION POLICY, WEEKLY ENTRY

FEES AND OTHER INFORMATION

Dues Payment: The dues are **\$45 per year (\$50, if paid after May 1,)** payable in cash or check made payable to **LLNHGA** and are **non-refundable**. ALL CHECKS MUST BE DRAWN ON A USA BANK. Yearly membership is May 1-April 30. Payment of dues is May 1st of each year – OR – prior to your first day of play in any LLNHGA league play or tournament event. These monies should be promptly deposited in the LLNHGA box in the Pro Shop. Check will not be cashed until golfer meets all requirements under “Eligibility” below.

Eligibility: Membership is open to all female Legends golf residents who are 21 years of age or older. A potential LLNHGA member must have the following:

- a) A Legends Golf Membership in good standing with a GHIN Number in the Legends Handicap System
- b) Attend Required New Member Orientation prior to golfing in League
- c) Cannot have a membership in any other Legends Golf Association
- d) New members who do not have an established handicap or are new to the game of golf must have a minimum of three (3) posted eighteen (18) hole rounds of golf or six (6) posted nine (9) hole rounds at the Legends Golf & Country Club. Highly encouraged is to have a lesson with a Golf Professional or participate in a golf clinic

Sign Up Deadline: Sign up right away for League for next week so you do not forget...need to sign up by noon on Thursday before Tuesday league play in the ForeTees app or under Tee Time Reservation in the Legends app which will automatically take you to the ForeTees app. (Can sign up 30 days in advance.).

Please Note: How to sign up is explained in the section “Signing up to play” Please.... no specific requests for playing partners. The Pro Shop will make pairings for play.

League Day Guests: League day guests are welcome to attend lunch only (no golf) from the Opening to Closing Events. Guests are welcome other times of the year.

Weekly Entry Fee: There is a fee of \$5.00 per week charged for each week you play. Payments will be billed to your account through the Pro Shop. The \$5.00 is used as prize money each week.

Cancellation Policy: We ask that you call the Pro Shop as soon as possible if you need to cancel. It is a hard job to plan weekly events that becomes more difficult with last minute cancellations.

The League cancellation policy is: **if you are signed up to play and you cancel after 11:00 am on Saturday, you will still be charged the \$5.00 cancellation fee. If you cancel after 7:30 am on the morning of league play, or you just do not show up and did not cancel, you will be charged an additional \$5.00.**

Member/Guest and Couples Events: Your guest/partner must be a golf member and have an established handicap to be eligible for prizes. If a handicap is not available, you and your guest may play but will not be eligible to win prizes.

LEAGUE AND HANDICAP EXPLANATION

What is a golf league and what are the advantages of joining?

A golf league is an organization of members who play a variety of golf games for prizes. By joining a golf league, you will meet new people, improve your knowledge of the rules and etiquette of golf and improve your game through regular play.

What is a handicap?

A handicap is a certain number of strokes given to players of varying abilities so they can play together in competition. Better players get fewer strokes (low handicappers), while others get more strokes (high handicappers).

How is a handicap calculated?

The United States Golf Association (USGA) sets the rules for golf, including how handicaps are calculated. Basically, your handicap is an average of your best 8 differential scores of your last 20 scores.

How is a handicap indicated on the scorecard?

A handicap is indicated using asterisks printed for each hole. Generally, the holes on a golf course are ranked per their degree of difficulty. The number 1 handicap hole would be the most difficult and the number 18 handicap hole the easiest. You will find the ranking on the bottom of the scorecard. You will get more asterisks on the more difficult holes and fewer asterisks on the easier holes.

Does a handicap change?

The handicap changes as scores are recorded. Handicaps are constantly being updated per the USGA formula. You will see the changes as you continue entering your scores in the computer.

Will I need a handicap to be in a golf league?

Yes, you will. Your handicap is what will allow you not only to play with other league members on a more equal footing, but also to have an opportunity to win prizes and to help your team.

How do I establish a handicap?

You will need to make an appointment with the Pro or Assistant Pro to set you up for recording your scores in the Legends Pro Shop using the USGA GHIN app downloaded from the App Store on your phone. Each time you play 9 or 18 holes at Legends you will record your score in the app except for League Day.

The Pro Shop will enter your scores from Tuesday's league play. You may use scores from any 9-hole play at Legends. **You will need six (6) 9-hole scores or three (3) 18-hole scores prior to joining** the Nine Hole Ladies League, if there is no prior established handicap. See Section C By-laws Article II for additional Membership requirements.

How will my handicap be calculated after I have 8 scores but not yet 20 scores?

In accordance with the USGA rules, your handicap will be calculated by a formula that uses an appropriate number of your best scores.

What should I do if I think my handicap is wrong?

You should report this immediately to the Pro Shop.



USGA Handicap Index

A player's official USGA Handicap Index is derived from a complicated formula that considers **adjusted gross score, course rating and slope rating**.

Course rating is the number of strokes a certain set of tees are expected to be played in by the upper-half of scratch golfers. A USGA Course Rating of 74.8 means that 74.8 is expected to be the average score of the best 50-percent of rounds played by scratch golfers.

Slope rating is a number representing the relative difficulty of a course for bogey golfers compared to course rating. Slope can range from 55 to 155, with 113 being considered a course of average difficulty.

Par plays no role in computing handicap Index. Only adjusted gross score, course rating and slope rating come into play. Adjusted gross score is a golfer's total strokes after allowing for the maximum per-hole totals allowed under Equitable Stroke Control.

Please Note:

The 9-Hole League does not use your handicap index for play at Legends. It is only used when playing outside courses (i.e. Invitationals, etc). To review your handicap, go to the USGA GHIN app, click on Handicap calculator, it will show Handicap Index (H.I.), Course Handicap (C.I.) Playing Handicap (P.I) and Shots Off (S.O). For your purpose, you will always use Course Handicap to know what your handicap is for each week of playing.

If you have any questions about your handicap or handicap index, please ask one of the Pros.

SIGNING UP TO PLAY

Where do I sign up for golf?

Sign up is through ForeTees under the Legends app or download the ForeTees app in Apple or Google Play, Tee Time Reservation. You will need to sign in using 0 for the first digit, your 4 digit member number and an a if you are the secondary member in your household (ex: 01234a), otherwise there would be no letter after your number if the primary household member (ex: 01234). The password will be your last name. Any questions, you can always contact the Pro Shop for help. To sign up for League, you will click on Menu in the top lefthand corner, then click on “Events” find the day of the week to sign up under LLNHGA (highlighted in pink) and enter your name, then submit request. You will receive a confirmation email that you are signed up. Any questions, please call the Pro Shop for help.

When do I sign up?

Sign up in the ForeTees app is available 30 days before Tuesday league play. You must sign up by **Noon on the Thursday** preceding Tuesday play day.

Why must I sign up so far in advance?

The Membership Director must review the sign-up sheet to insure all who signed up are eligible to play. The Golf Buddy chairperson also reviews the t-sheet available on Saturday to ensure a new member is paired with a Golf Buddy that week. The Pro Shop does the pairings.

When will I know my Tuesday tee time?

When we have tee times, generally they are emailed to you after noon on Monday, sometimes before. Tee times are also available on the ForeTees app after 1:00 PM on Monday. When we have shotguns, all tee times will start at 8:25 am. Please be courteous to your fellow golfers and be at the Pro Shop at least 30 minutes prior to your tee time or shotgun time (8:25 am).

Can I still play if I miss the cut-off time on Thursday?

Only if you are an eligible member and it depends on whether there are cancellations or if we need additional golfers to fill in the foursomes. You can check with the Pro Shop and ask to be put on an Alternate List. If you are not an eligible member, you must wait until your eligibility is confirmed.

If I sign up to be an Alternate, how will I know I have been selected to play?

It will be your responsibility to call the Pro Shop by Tuesday morning to find out if you will be playing.

What happens if I sign up to play and then find out that I cannot play? You may remove your name from the ForeTees app before Saturday at 11:00 am without consequence. The League cancellation policy is: **if you are signed up to play and you cancel after 11:00 am on Saturday, you will still be charged the \$5.00 cancellation fee. If you cancel after 7:30 am on the morning of league play, or you just do not show up and did not cancel, you will be charged an additional \$5.00.**

How will canceling affect the game?

Many of the games we play are team games. When you cancel, it can leave someone without a partner. Notify the Pro Shop as soon as possible. Doing so may leave time to find an alternate.

What if the weather is bad?

The Pro Shop & League President will determine whether the LLNHGA will play. Please show up to play, check your email or call the Pro Shop for instructions.

SIGNING-UP FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

Registration for Special Events begins three weeks prior to the scheduled event.

To sign up for a special event, members should go to the ForeTees App, click on the Events tab for the date of the event.. If an event becomes full prior to the registration deadline, members may sign up on an alternate list by calling the Pro Shop. All those who want to attend the special event need to sign in whether playing golf only, lunch only or both golf and lunch. Notation needs to be made in the instructions box whether you are playing golf and lunch, golf only or lunch only. If notation is not made, lunch numbers will not be correct for those wanting to attend lunch.

Alternates will be added to the field of players by the Pro Shop as cancellations occur.

All members who signed up for a special event will receive an email message prior to the event confirming their entry into the event tournament.

The registration/cancellation deadline for special events is one week prior to the event. Cancellation prior to the deadline can be indicated on ForeTees; members who cancel prior to the deadline will not be charged for the event. ForeTees Members who cancel after the deadline should contact the Pro Shop

IF YOU CANCEL AFTER THE DEADLINE OR ARE A NO SHOW ON EVENT DAY, YOU WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE EVENT.

GAMES WE PLAY

2 Best Balls of Four: Team counts best two net score on each hole.

Alternate Shots: Team of 2 players. First person tees off and then shots are alternated till the ball is holed. Next tee shot is made by the person who **did not** put the ball in the cup. 25% of total team handicap is applied to the gross team score.

Better Ball of Partners: Team of 2 players counts best net score of teammates as a team score.

Beat the Pro: Players use their net scores to try and better the Pro's gross score.

Blind Partners: Partners are drawn after play has begun. Scores are calculated in the Pro Shop after completion of the round. Winners are the team with lowest net.

Low Net: Count your strokes on each hole, then subtract the number of asterisks shown on that hole to get your net score. Low score wins. The maximum 10stroke rule applies.

Low Putts: Players keep track of their putts on each hole. Player with the lowest total putts wins.

Pick Your Partner: You may pick any eligible league member to play with as your teammate. The game played varies, but generally is a team effort.

Roll the Dice Scramble: Each team of 4 players is given 1 die. Each player is numbered, 1-4. **AFTER** each player has hit her drive, the die is rolled. If a 1 is rolled, Player #1's drive is used, if a 2 is rolled Player #2's drive is used, a 3 is Player #3 and a 4 is Player #4. If a 5 or a 6 is rolled, team selects the BEST drive. Continue to the hole as in a regular scramble. TIP: Roll the die on the sidewalk for best results.

Scramble: Everyone drives from the tee. The team chooses the best ball and everyone hits from that position. Play is continued in the same manner till the ball is holed. 25% of the total team handicap is used.

Shamble: Everyone drives from the tee and uses the best drive for their second shot. Continue hitting your own ball to finish the hole.

Step-aside Scramble: A team of four players. All four players tee off, the best shot is selected. The player whose tee shot is selected steps aside and does not hit the next ball. The remaining three players hit from the best shot. The best second shot is selected and the player whose ball is chosen steps aside. This continues until the ball is holed.

Stableford: Individuals use the following point system - 5 points for a net double eagle, 4 points for a net eagle, 3 points for a net birdie, 2 points for a net par, 1 point for a net bogie, 0 for a net double bogey or worse. Winner has the most points.

Three Clubs + Putter: Players may use only 3 clubs plus their putter for the entire game.

Throw Out a Hole: Each player picks her own hole to throw out. When play is finished, each player may subtract the net score of the hole she has chosen to throw out.

There may be times the President of the LLNHGA or the Pro Shop may deem games to be played from the 6th tees, where all players will be play from the same tee.



WEEKLY EVENTS

The weekly events of LLNHGA are the responsibility of the player. These events are only for LLNHGA play days – not days you play outside of the league.

Birdies & Chip-Ins: At the end of your round, please inform the President and sign the notebook at lunch and specify on which hole you made a Birdie or Chip-in...or if you are really good, a Birdie chip-in. You will receive recognition.

50-50: Each week you may purchase raffle tickets, \$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets. The total amount collected is split in half. The first half of the money is for members whose tickets are drawn that week in increments of \$20. The money that's left in that first half, as well as the original second half, is returned to the League treasury. Write your member number on the back of the ticket(s) and deposit in the container provided. Winners will be drawn at lunch following the golf round. You do not need to be present to win.

Golf Buddy Program: This provides a new member with a GOLF BUDDY when playing the first time. When a member plays golf with the new member a list of common items such as scoring, pace of play, etc. will be gone over as they are actually golfing.



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Pace of Play

The Board of Directors and the professional staff at the Legends cannot emphasize enough to our members the importance of pace of play.

You should be able to play a 9 hole round of golf *within a 2 hour* time period. If you do not, you are playing too slow.

Please be aware of the group in front of you. They should never be more than a ½ hole ahead of you no matter how much time is between tee times or whether they are a twosome or a foursome. Keep up with them and *never, never should there be an entire open hole in front of you.*

A player should be prepared for the next shot and be ready to hit. You should not sit in the cart and wait until the player in front of you is finished before getting out and selecting your club. *Be prepared to step up to your ball and play ready golf.*

We do not want to impose a sanction or ask that your group skip any holes. ...
Please keep up the pace of play
...WALKING IS GOOD EXERCISE!!

On January 6, 2020, the USGA GHIN Handicap system converted to the WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM (WHS). It has simplified handicapping. The maximum handicap index for both genders is 54.0

On January 20, 2022, the USGA added a New Rule. .

Major Change: 'Maximum Score' Form of Stroke Play ([usga.org](https://www.usga.org))

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A player's score for each hole will be capped at a maximum of 10. If a player will go BEYOND 10 strokes for any hole, or a player does not complete a hole (often referred to "picking up"), the player is not disqualified, but simply gets the maximum of 10. Player will put a score of 10 for that hole and circle the 10, and no handicap strokes are deducted for that hole. (However, if a player holes a 10, player will be able to deduct their handicap strokes for that hole.) Either way, player will still qualify for prize money.

Reasons for Change:

The need to hole out on every hole in stroke play can have at least two downsides: (1) it often leads to a slow pace of play, and (2) it may discourage golfers who feel they no longer have a realistic chance to compete or to make a good score for the round once they get a very high score on one or two holes.

Maximum Score is an alternative form of play that addresses both concerns, by allowing a player to “pick up” when he or she scores at or above the maximum and by capping the player’s score for any hole at the maximum.

The Maximum Score form of play is unlikely to be used for elite play, but it may be useful in many other contexts, such as for play by beginners or golfers who are less skilled or experienced and, more generally, for club level and day-to-day play when pace of play is a particular concern.

You do not need to post your golf scores whenever you are playing on league day or a Club special event. The Pro Shop will post your score. You are responsible to post your score in the USA GHIN app any other time you play other than on league day or a Club special event.

The WHS uses NET DOUBLE BOGEY which is maximum score for a hole for handicap purposes. This is the sum of the Par of the Hole + two Strokes + any handicap strokes applied to that hole.

Example: Hole #5 is a Par 5
(Par) 5 + 2 + handicap strokes = your maximum score
(Handicap is the number of “dots” you receive on that hole)

If unable to determine your strokes, go to the USGA GHIN app or website. Go to folders to review videos or call the Pro Shop for help.

The pro shop will post your “Adjusted score” in the GHIN app for handicap purposes.

COURTESY

- ▶ Unless you are in a tournament...*Play ready golf.*
- ▶ On the green, don't walk or stand in someone's line.
- ▶ When tending the flag stand so your shadow is not in someone's line.
- ▶ Be aware of where you are on the green; if you are closer take care of the flag.
- ▶ On the green fix your ball mark and any others.
- ▶ If you are the first to hole out be prepared to replace the flag.
- ▶ On the course, fill your divot and one other divot with sand.
- ▶ Rake all sand traps.



PROPER ATTIRE

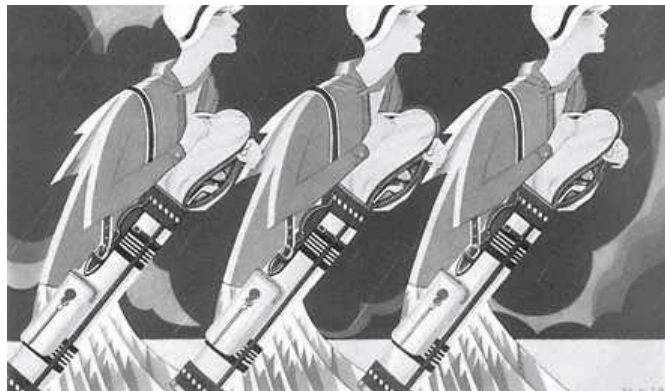
Acceptable

- Women: Slacks, golf shorts and skorts up to five (5) inches above the knee and sleeveless blouses with at least a two (2) inch shoulder or sleeves with open or collared shirts are considered appropriate attire.
- Shoes: Appropriate golf shoes or approved shoes are required on the Golf Course and practice areas. Legends is a soft spike facility.

Not Acceptable

- Women: Halter tops, tee shirts, fishnet tops, bathing suits, sweat pants, jeans, denim, tennis dresses or shorts more than five (5) inches above the knee are not permitted.
- Shoes: The use of shoes other than golf shoes must be approved by the Golf Pro Shop. Metal spikes, football spikes, and baseball spikes are not permitted.

This dress code is mandatory for all players. Improperly dressed golfers shall be asked to change before playing. If you are in doubt concerning your attire, please check with the Pro Shop before starting play.



KISS (KEEP IT SIMPLE SUMMER) AND OUTSIDE INVITATIONALS

A listing of all KISS and invitational tournaments has been placed in the 9-Hole book in the Pro Shop.

Each KISS and Invitational will have a signup sheet placed in the 9-Hole book.

When a golfer signs up for either, she should deposit her check made payable to the LLNHGA in the 9-hole slot of the white box. Also, please include in the memo area of your check the name of the club hosting the event.

If you have signed up as an Alternate, you will be notified to play. Do not deposit a check in the white box until you are called to play.

Once you have played in one KISS or Invitational, you can only sign up on the Alternate list. If not enough new players are signed up, you will be notified to play and then we ask that you deposit your check.

You will be notified as a reminder of the upcoming event.

We would appreciate your feedback from the event as it is helpful in writing the thank you notes.

Please contact current KISS and Outside Invitational Director listed on the Board of Directors List in Sec. A of this Directory.

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