



## Handicap Policy Statement

### 1. General

All members are encouraged to maintain a current and up to date handicap. All members participating in club competitions **must** maintain a current and up to date handicap. Handicaps must be developed and maintained according to the World Handicapping System as adopted by Golf Canada. Access to the handicap system is included with Club membership. A computer dedicated to the handicap program is provided for members' use. Instruction on this program is available upon request. Please contact the Pro Shop Manager if you require assistance. Alternatively, members may post their scores directly online through the Golf Canada website.

It is important that scores posted for handicap purposes are played with full observance of the current Rules of Golf.

It is not the player's option to enter only selected scores. All scores for all rounds played, where an individual score may be recorded, must be entered into the handicap system.

### 2. Competitions

Members participating in club and inter-club competitions are required to have a current and valid handicap. Scores for all rounds played (including 9 hole and incomplete rounds) at PGCC and other courses must be entered within 24 hours following completion, as per the World Handicapping System requirements. Scores for incomplete or interrupted rounds must be calculated using the applicable Golf Canada rules.

In the interest of equity and fair play, members competing in Club competitions must ensure that scores for all rounds played up to 24 hours prior to the date of competition have been entered into the handicap system.

Members participating in competitions are subject to the scrutiny of their handicaps and posted scores.

It is the responsibility of each player to review opponents' handicaps prior to competition, and to raise any questions regarding handicaps or posted scores at that time. Issues that cannot be satisfactorily resolved between the players themselves shall be referred to the Handicap Committee for decision. Intraclub matches scheduled between the players themselves shall be deferred until any outstanding issues are resolved.

Players are responsible for ensuring that they use the correct handicap for the specific tees in use for the competition. Tees for use by male and female players shall be specified as a condition of each competition. All competitors will play from the specified tees. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

### 3. Penalties

Players found to be using handicaps that are invalid or are not current, in accordance with the requirements of this policy statement, shall forfeit their match and shall be eliminated from the competition in question.

Players who are determined to have violated the handicap policy on more than one occasion shall be barred from further club competitions in that season.