GENERAL PLAY SCORES PROCEDURE

Anyone with a WHS Handicap Index (HI) can submit General Play scores and as often as they like regardless of their HI.

WANT TO SUBMIT A GENERAL PLAY SCORE FOR HANDICAPPING PURPOSES?

HERE’S WHAT TO DO

➢ You must **pre-register** your intention to submit an acceptable score in general play for handicap purposes. This MUST be made before you start the round.
➢ Pre-registration must be done via the computer software & associated apps, or manually:
  • Computer software / apps – the PSI terminal in the clubhouse or HowDidIDo app or ClubV1 Member Hub app
  • Manual – the General Play scores registration book is in the Proshop
➢ Check that competition play conditions over a measured course exist on the day. Please check with the Professional if in any doubt.
➢ Make sure you use the correct scorecard – there are different cards for 18 hole and 9 hole rounds.
➢ The following information must be included on your card:
  • date of the round played
  • the name of your marker. (Your marker must be a member of an affiliated golf club and hold a current HI.)
  • your Handicap Index and Course Handicap (mandatory under Rule 3.3b(4))

  **NB make sure you use the correct Course Handicap Table – 18 hole or 9 hole**
➢ Holes must be played in the order set out by the Handicap Committee. Except when otherwise stated this must be in the usual, sequential order. Any exceptions to this will be posted in the Proshop and locker rooms.
➢ You must commence & play the required number of holes unless there is a **valid reason** (see below) for not doing so.
➢ The hole-by-hole score must be entered onto the scorecard. For holes not played for valid reasons, NS (not started) must be entered as the score for that hole.
➢ When a hole is started but the player does not hole out FOR A VALID REASON, the player must record their score as appropriate for the situation & depending on the format of play, for example, net double bogey or zero Stableford points
➢ At the end of your round your score must be verified and certified by the marker
➢ Your score should be submitted as soon as possible on the day of play, after completion of the round, and before midnight. This can be done using the HowDidIDo or ClubV1Members Hub apps, or the terminal in the Clubhouse.
➢ Post your signed scorecard in the relevant competition card box in the Proshop.

If you have submitted your score electronically your HI will update automatically after midnight. **You are strongly advised to submit your score electronically** so that any prevailing playing conditions on the day of your round will be reflected in the Playing Conditions Calculation (PCC) and so that any change to your HI will be available to you the
next day. For scores which the Handicap Secretary must input on your behalf, these will be updated to your playing record at the earliest opportunity and the Handicap Secretary will inform you of any HI increase or decrease. Any change to your HI will therefore be delayed until this has been done, hence the importance of electronic score entry.

VALID REASON FOR ROUND NOT BEING COMPLETED / SOME HOLES NOT PLAYED

The Handicap Committee has agreed the acceptable circumstances that may result in a round not being completed and some holes not being played. These reflect Rule 3.2 in the Rules of Handicapping and are as follows:

- fading light or bad weather
- player injury or illness
- a match finishing before the final hole
- a hole being declared out of play by the Committee for maintenance or reconstruction purposes

If it is determined that a player has **not started** a hole or holes for **an invalid reason**, this will be referred to the Handicap Committee and may result in a penalty score (high or low depending on intent) or disciplinary action e.g. withdrawal of handicap index (under Rule 7 of the Rules of Handicapping.) Invalid reasons include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Not playing a particular hole because the player knows it usually causes them difficulty and they are likely to return a high hole score
- Not playing the final holes in order to avoid submitting a high or low score.

Handicap Committee

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