

Women's Northern Golf Association (W.N.G.A.)
Revised 2009 By-Laws

I. Organization

- A. Women's Northern Golf Association (WNGA) shall be the name of the organization.
- B. Governing Board shall consist of Team Captains or a representative from each club and WNGA Secretary/Treasurer.
- C. Play shall be governed by all USGA Rules.
- D. The member clubs of the WNGA shall consist of:
 - Coal Creek G.C.
 - Eaton C.C.
 - Fox Hill C.C.
 - Hyland Hills G.C.
 - Loveland G.C.
 - Twin Peaks G.C.
 - Highland Meadows G.C.
 - Collindale G.C.
 - Fort Morgan G.C.
 - Highland Hills G.C.
 - Lake Valley C.C.
 - Riverdale G.C.
 - Willis Case G.C.
 - Indian Tree G.C.

II. Duties of Secretary/Treasurer

- A. Secretary/Treasurer is responsible for:
 - 1. Notifying all member clubs of the Annual Meeting.
 - 2. Presiding over the Annual Meeting.
 - 3. Responsible for collecting membership dues from each club.
 - 4. Distribute information to captains for the existing season.

III. Duties of Team Captains

- A. Each club is responsible for selection of team captains and/or co-captains.
- B. Team Captains are responsible for:
 - 1. Team Captain or representative must attend Annual Meeting.
 - a. At the Annual Meeting each club must have two possible play dates (one of which will be used).
 - 2. Pick 6 lowest index players for each match and bring players' indexes to match.
 - 3. Collect fees from their players for green fees and carts and pay club they are participating at.
 - 4. Meeting on day of match with the opposing team captain to make out score cards (strokes taken off low player in each foursome).
 - 5. Make sure score cards are properly attested to and turned in to host club.

IV. Organizational Meeting

The organization of the yearly league is conducted by electronic mail. Schedules, contacts, forms and results are posted on the league website at www.womensnorthernleague.com.

V. Fees

A. Team fees shall be \$10.00 per year to cover administrative costs and other incidental expenses to be paid during the months of February/March.

VI. Team Qualifications

- A. Teams shall consist of:
 - 1. The six lowest index players chosen from the membership of each club.
 - a. Specific eligibility shall be determined by individual clubs.
 - b. Team players must be active participants in club activities.
 - c. Team players must have established GHIN indexes.
 - d. Minimum age shall be 17 years of age.
 - 2. Maximum handicap to be used will be 31.
 - a. Players with higher indexes than 31 must assume a 31 handicap.
 - 3. A team player belonging to more than one club (in the WNGA) will determine the one club she will represent during the WNGA season.
 - 4. At least three players must be sent from each club.

VII. Team Play

- A. Host Club may provide coffee and/or juice prior to match.
- B. All matches will be played both scratch and handicap.
 - 1. It is recommended that a Gross and Net score be kept for each station.
- C. The low handicap of each foursome shall play from scratch and each of the other three players are allowed the full difference, taking strokes as they fall on the card.
- D. A total of 36 points for each station: 9 points Gross and 9 points Net for both the front and back nine for 108 total points per team each play day. Any or all points may be halved.
- E. If a team fails to show, they shall receive 43 points and their opponents shall be awarded 65 points.
 - 1. If a team were to forfeit more than once, they will forfeit their membership in the WNGA.
- F. The stations shall be filled as follows:
 - 1. Two lowest handicaps in the first station, two highest handicaps in the third station.
 - 2. If a club does not have a full team, the lowest handicap will play first station and the team shall then be arranged according to handicaps (next lowest handicaps second station, and remaining handicaps third station; i.e. 1, 1 and 2 people or 1, 2 and 2 people).
- G. In four-ball match play, players no longer involved in the hole will pick up and use the equitable stroke control for posting purposes.
 - 1. This is a USGA recommendation.
 - 2. **Matches must be played in four hours.**
- H. Each station will record both Gross and Net scores at the end of each hole and compare scores with opponents before starting play on the next tee.

VIII. Playoffs

- A. Playoffs for Overall, Low Gross and Low Net will be played at a neutral course.
 - 1. At the end of 18 holes and in the event of a tie, 2 players from each team will play off. Team Captains' discretion.
- B. Any person playing in the playoff must be a member of a participating club, have an established GHIN index at said club, have participated at least once during the regular season, and have not played with any other team in the WNGA during the season.

IX. General

- A. Membership of team play shall be open to member clubs of the WNGA.
- B. By-Laws shall be reviewed and necessary changes made prior to the beginning of each season.
- C. Failure to comply with the WNGA By-Laws may result in review by governing board (which consists of Secretary/Treasurer and Team Captains) with possible forfeiture of membership.
- D. It is requested that no men accompany players.
- E. Admittance to the association must be by letter or email for membership clubs to approve or veto at the league organization time.