

# **New Haven Golf Club**

## **Men's Club Handicap Policy**

### **POSTING of SCORES:**

NHGC members are required to post scores for all tournaments and practice rounds they participate in. Members will post their scores, via the USGA/CSGA handicap computer at the golf course, preferably on the day the round is played. However, if the member does not post the score the day the round is played, the member must post the round prior to the next GHIN revision date. Members will adjust their scores using the USGA Equitable Score Control (ESC) prior to posting their scores. Also, there will be some tournaments designated during the year that will also require members to not only post their score for the tournament but to post it with a "T", (Tournament Score). The USGA allows limited use of the internet to post scores, only when it is not possible to post the score at the NHGC handicap computer. The USGA does not allow 100 % posting of all scores via the internet; as they have determined that this practice circumvents the "Peer Review" of scores posted. The Handicap Committee will periodically meet and conduct random handicap index reviews and score posting audits of all NHGC members.

### **The following items will be reviewed during Handicap Committee Audits:**

Posting Of Scores in a Timely Manner. The USGA recommends that scores be posted the same day the round is played. This is not always possible. At a minimum, all scores must be posted prior to the next handicap revision in order that your handicap index remains valid.

Posting of the Correct Score. All scores must be downward adjusted, prior to posting, using USGA Equitable Stroke Control (ESC). Explanation of ESC scoring is posted on the bulletin board above the handicap computer in the restaurant.

Tournament Scores "T": Periodically, designated club tournaments will require you post your score with a "T" as a tournament score. Designation of NHGC tournaments to post scores with a "T", will be made one or two ways, either on the tournament rules sheet and/or by signage posted at the GHIN computer in the restaurant.

Posting Scores Higher Than Played. Posting scores higher than actually played is never allowed and will be viewed as an attempt to manipulate your Handicap Index.

### **PENALTY SCORES:**

The assessment of penalties to your GHIN Handicap Score Record will vary depending on the severity of the violation. "Penalties" can include the posting of penalty scores to your GHIN record, modification of your GHIN handicap index, and for repeated violations, the suspension of your GHIN handicap privileges.

Posting scores late (after a Handicap Revision takes place) at a minimum, will result in a modification of your Handicap Index to reflect the correct Index had the score been posted on time.

In all situations, the assessment of a penalty score and/or the modification of a member's GHIN Handicap Index can be appealed. To appeal a penalty, contact the Handicap Committee Chairman in writing, (email is the preferred method). After the Handicap Committee reviews appeal, you will be notified of the Committee's decision.

### **HANDICAP INDEX MODIFICATIONS DUE TO ILLNESS OR DISABILITY**

An individual may request his Handicap Index be modified due to a newly incurred temporary or permanent physical injury or limitation. All requests for modification must be sent in writing to the Handicap Committee. 2-2018