

**NORTHERN REGION GOLF ASSOCIATION
TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES / STANDING RULES**

MEMBERSHIP DUES

1. Club dues are \$ 15.00. Dues are payable before the first tournament of the year. Participating clubs shall write one check to cover expenses for the southern tournaments, and one check to cover expenses for the northern tournaments. Checks shall be payable to NRGA.
2. Individual dues are \$10.00 and are paid once per player per year

PLAYER REQUIREMENTS

1. A player must possess a USGA GHIN handicap.
2. A player must have paid membership dues to the 18 hole member club she is representing.
3. A player must play a reasonable number of games with that club for peer review.
4. A player must have paid individual dues to NRGA and dues for the club she is representing must have been paid, even if only competing as an individual.

ENTRY FEES, GREENS FEES, AND CART FEES

1. Entry fees will be determined by the Executive Board.
2. Green fees and cart rental fees will be determined by negotiations between the course and the executive Board.
2. All fee checks (entry fees, greens fees, cart fees, and member club fees) must be in the hands of the Treasurer no later than ten (10) days prior to a tournament.
3. Five (5) days minimum notice must be given to the Treasurer prior to a tournament to receive a refund of fees.
4. No additional entrants will be accepted less than ten (10) days prior to the tournament.

RULES

1. The Tournament Rules Committee shall consist of the Executive board, the Course Golf Professional and the Club Rep.
2. USGA Rules of Golf shall govern all play, along with the local rules determined by the Golf Professional at the course being played. Local rules will be provided to players upon check-in.
3. In case of an infraction of any rule, it will be the duty of the Tournament Rules Committee to inform the member of the violation. The decisions of said group shall abide.
4. Golf carts will be permitted in all competition.
5. Play will consist of 18 holes of medal play with handicap under the USGA Rules of Golf.
6. All putts must be holed out in medal play competition.
7. The maximum course handicap shall be 40. If an entrant's course handicap is higher than a 40 she must play to a 40.
8. No modified handicaps are allowed for tournaments.

COMPETITION

Team:

1. A team is required to have at least four (4) members to be considered a contending team.
2. Scoring will be computed as follows (see scoring form provided to Club Reps)

A team with 4 players will use all four low net scores. The following chart explains how many low net scores will be used for teams with 5-20 players:

# of players	# of scores to use
4-5	4
6-7	5
8-9	6
10-11	7
12-13	8
14-15	9
16-17	10
18-19	11
20	12

3. Any golfer who teed off with the field must be included in the total of team members.
4. Scores of players who "x" out on a hole can still be counted as part of team best ball, but not for Club scoring, daily Jean Lyons or Founders awards.

Individual:

1. All members of NRG A are eligible for individual competition unless they have "xed out" on holes.
2. If a participating NRG A dues-paying club is unable to field an eligible team, an individual player from that club can play and qualify for individual daily prizes, the Jean Lyons Award and the Founders Award.
3. Ties: Ties will only be broken by card-off for Overall Gross and Net.
4. Participants receiving Low Gross and Low Net of the Field awards are not eligible for Flight awards.
5. Ties for the Jean Lyon's and Founders' Award will be awarded equally.

Best ball:

1. A four (4) women best ball will be played in each tournament.
2. Teams not having a foursome will get a blind draw.
3. A best ball team prize will be awarded in each Flight.
4. Ties will be decided by matching handicap holes.
5. Best ball teams will be composed of individuals from different courses *if possible*, but always from the same flight. Blind Draws will be used to complete teams if necessary.

LINEUP

1. The tee time for the rounds of each tournament will be 8:30 am with check-in 1/2 hour before.
2. USGA Index used will be a player's index five (5) days prior to the first June tournament and five (5) days prior to the first August tournament.
3. All Flights will be according to course handicaps.
4. The number of competitors in the field will determine flights:
 - 60 players or less - 3 Flights
 - 61 players thru 85 players - 4 Flights
 - 86 players thru 110 players - 5 Flights
 - Over 110 players - 6 Flights

AWARDS

1. For each day of competition:
 - Low Gross and Net over the field will be awarded
 - Individual Net and Gross awards will be made in each flight. The number of these awards will be based on the size of the field.
 - Low Net Team Best Ball award will be made in each flight.
 - Payouts will be based on the size of the field.
2. For the entire competition (all four days):
 - The Jean Lyons award will be made to the individual with the lowest combined net score.
 - The Founder's Award will be made to the individual with the lowest combined gross score.
 - The Marge Evans Traveling Trophy will be awarded to the team with the lowest combined average for the four (4) rounds

SCORECARDS

Scorecards are to be standardized at all four host clubs, with one Best Ball card. Individual cards are to be given to players, to be turned in to Club reps at completion of play.

DUTIES OF CLUB REPRESENTATIVE

1. General duties for all tournaments are:
 - a) Inform club members of any pertinent information from NRGA Board.
 - b) Post sign-up sheets.
 - c) Collect necessary fees.
 - d) Check the USGA Index of all entries from your club. Calculate handicap for each player on each course using form provided and verify as correct on day of tournament.
 - e) Print or type names on entry sheet in alphabetical order.
 - f) Send entry forms and money to reach the NRGA Treasurer ten (10) days prior to day of play.
 - g) Communicate lunch offering and determine number of players interested. Communicate number to Host Representative.
 - h) At each tournament report the net scores from your club to the Team Scoring Committee immediately.

- i) Be responsible for keeping a list of members who have played in all four tournaments. Using the form provided, turn in the name(s) from your club with the lowest total net score to the Secretary immediately following the fourth round for the Jean Lyons Award. Using the form provided, turn in the name(s) from your club with the lowest total gross score to the Secretary immediately following the fourth round for the Founder's Award.
- j) Inform the Club Representative of the course to be played of any cancellation if received less than five (5) days prior to the tournament. Inform NRGA Treasurer of any cancellation.

2. Duties of the Representative from the Host Club are:

- a) Work with the Pro to complete the Pro Shop Checklist
- b) Assist board with checking and posting scores on leaderboards at course.
- c) Organize lunch offering for tournament. Distribute cost and menu information to all Club Representatives to pre-order.

REVISION OF TOURNAMENT GUIDELINES/STANDING RULES

Tournament Guidelines/Standing Rules can be revised by a majority of Club Representatives and Board Members present at a Club Representative/Board Meeting.