

BYLAWS/GOLF

- 12.1 STARTING TIME:
- 12.1.1 The starting time be 2:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays until daylight savings time and 3:30 otherwise. Once daylight savings time starts, the starting time will be determined by the course.
- 12.1.2 There will be a 10-game schedule in which each school plays the other schools twice, once home and once away. There will also be two MEL tournaments.
- 12.2 SCORING
- Medal play will be used to score matches. The top five player's scores of each team will be used to determine team scores.
- 12.2-1 League play modification for girls: Double par plus putt
- 12.2-2 Summer rules will prevail unless local rule is different
- 12.2-3 Individual score cards will be used and signed by both players.
- 12.3 MATCHES
- 12.3-1 Boys: All matches will be nine holes.
- 12.3-2 Girls: Will be the same as boys
- 12.3-3 All matches will be played by USGA Rules.
- 12.3-4 All members of the foursome will check and sign the appropriate scorecard prior to submitting the scorecards to their coach.
- 12.3-5 Rulings will be made by mutual agreement of both coaches. Disputed rulings will be taken to a rules official such as the club Pro or NCGA official.
- 12.3-6 If there is a conflict on a rule, play two balls and record both scores and check with the coaches at the end of the round. (Rule 3 – 3)
- 12.4 PENALTIES
- USGA rules will apply. A breach of a rule will be dealt with according to the specific rule. Etiquette, misconduct, or unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. The use of abusive language, throwing clubs, or other disruptive behavior could result in disqualification.
- 12.5 LEAGUE CHAMPION: the league champion will be determined by using the following system.
- a) a dual-meet win will be awarded 1 point.
- b) a tie will be awarded ½ point.
- c) The 1st League Tournament will be scored the same as a dual meet.
- d) For the 2nd League Tournament a team earns one point for each team that finishes below them.
- 12.6 AWARDS: A pennant will be awarded to the league champion. Patches will be awarded to the top eight players in the league. The top eight players will be determined by using the following method:
- 12.6.1 The top twelve in a match will earn points as follows: 12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1. (The top golfer earns 12 points.)
- 12.6.2 Points will be totaled at the end of the dual meet schedule. Point totals will include dual matches and the 1st MEL Tournament . The lowest points obtained in each half of the dual meet season will be dropped. (Two scores). The points from the 1st MEL tournament cannot be dropped.
- 12.6.3 In the 2nd league tournament the individual point values are doubled. 24, 22, 20, 18,16,14,12,10,8,6,4,2 (The top golfer earns 24 points).
- 12.6.4 Final point totals for determining the top eight golfers will include dual matches, and the 1st and 2nd MEL tournaments.
- 12.7 LENGTH OF SEASON: there may be 27 contacts during the season. Tournaments will follow the Sac-Joaquin Section definition of a tournament (Section Rule 519.3).
- 12.7.1 A match will be defined as playing at home or away where scores are kept (A winner and a loser must be determined
- 12.8 TOURNAMENT: The League post season tournament (MEL #2) will be held the week preceding the Sac-Joaquin Divisional Tournament. All teams are eligible to compete. The number of teams competing in the League will determine the number of teams that qualify for the Section Tournament. Qualifying individuals will be the top six golfers not qualifying for team participation.

12.8.1 For the League tournaments the following procedures will be used:

A. Completion of the Round

1. Cards will be turned into the designated scoring table (area) immediately after the last hole is completed and the cards are checked and signed by the players. (Signing may be done in the scoring area) Each player is responsible for turning in his/her own scorecard.
2. Signing of the cards does not preclude the possibility of changing scores when reviewing the card with the committee in the scoring area. Any alteration must be recognized as correct by the marker. If the marker and player cannot agree, all the facts must be gathered by the committee, and the committee makes the final determination. (See Decisions 34-3/4 and 34-3/9)
3. Alterations may be made on the scorecard even if the competitor has handed the scorecard to a member of the Committee. He/she is considered to have **returned** his/her scorecard when he/she has left the scoring area. No alterations may be made once the card has been returned. (Rule 6-6.c)
4. A scorecard that is signed and **returned** to the committee and then found to have a recording error will be penalized as set forth in the USGA RULES OF GOLF. (Rule 6-6d)

B. Scoring Area:

A designated scoring table away from the gathering area of players and spectators or main score posting board, should be set up. The scoring person / committee should ask each person the following questions before examining the turned in card. The scorer should be sure each score is legible.

- (a) Ask each competitor to check his/her scores hole by hole.
- (b) Make certain that both the competitor and the marker have signed each score card.
- (c) Suggest to competitors that they wait at the reception table until the official checks the scorecard
- (d) Ask competitors if there are any Rules questions or if a second ball was played under Rule 3-3 or Rule 20-7c.

C. Close of Competition

When the last scorecard has been returned the committee should announce that the competition is closed. The close of competition is important as explained in Rule 34-1b as "a penalty must not be rescinded, modified or imposed after the competition has closed." However, the same rule lists some exceptions that could occur.

- 12.9 ATTIRE:
GIRLS must wear shorts mid-thigh length or longer, long pants or golf skirts. A collared shirt must be worn and may be sleeveless. No denim is allowed.
BOYS must wear golf length shorts or long pants and a collared shirt. No denim is allowed.
- 12.10 HOME TEAM RESPONSIBILITY: It is the responsibility of the home team to confirm the match. No phone call means the match is on.
- 12.11 GALLERIES:
12.11-1: Galleries will not be allowed at dual matches.
12.11-2: For League tournament(s), galleries may be permitted at the discretion of the host golf course.
12.11-3: No advice may be given to a player by the coach, parent, teammate, or fellow competitor.