

## Men's Night Handicap Tracking

Under the current system, a player will need to provide his handicap for the first night that he plays; thereafter his handicap will be updated automatically by the system. Each week the player receives his score card from the pro shop with his name, his team number and 9-hole handicap for the current week. The handicap value on the first night becomes the benchmark against which the handicap will be adjusted from week to week. A player's handicap will be updated after each round. His handicap will be adjusted up or down depending on the number of Gross points earned. Stableford points are awarded as follows:

Double bogie (2 or more over par): -1

Bogie (1 over par): 1

Par: 2

Birdie (1 under par): 4

Eagle (2 under par): 5

Example: For a scratch player (zero handicap), a par round is considered 18 Stableford points for nine holes. This is based on 2 points earned per hole for nine holes. For a player with a higher handicap, Stableford points earned are then added to  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the player's handicap. As an example, if you earn 12 Stableford points and have a handicap of 7.5 ( $\frac{1}{2}$  of 15), your gross score is  $12 + 7.5 = 19.5$ . This means that you scored better than par by 1.5 points ( $19.5 - 18$ ). In this example, your handicap would remain the same according to the table below.

The table shows the point steps used by the software to adjust the handicap after each round. The first column compares Gross Score to 18 (Gross Score – 18). The second column represents the Gross Score for the round ( $\frac{1}{2}$  handicap + Stableford Score). The right-hand column represents the increment by which the handicap will be adjusted up or down. The handicap cannot go up or down by more than 1.0 in any given week.

Relation to Par (18 points)	Gross Score	Adjustment to Handicap
+5.0 or more	23.0 or more	-1
+2.5 to +4.5	20.5 to 22.5	-0.5
+2.0 to -2.5	20.0 to 15.5	0
-3 to -5.5	15 to 12.5	0.5
-6.0 or less	12.0 or less	1

Once the handicap is adjusted, the new value will be used in the following week's game.

### **Those with no Handicap**

For individuals who do not have an established handicap and wish to compete, on the first night that he plays, the player submits his 9-hole stroke score. A tool is available on the Opening Night sheet that would be used to compute a 9-hole handicap value based on the stroke score and what tees were played (White, Gold/White or Gold). The resulting handicap would be entered on the Opening Night sheet. Regardless of what week a player first comes out to play, their handicap will be entered in the handicap column on the "Men's Night Opening" sheet. From that point on, his handicap would be tracked and adjusted.