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SCORES TO POST

Acceptability of Scores
A Player's Responsibility

The following are acceptable scores and must be posted for handicap posting purposes:

- Post scores when at least seven holes are played in accordance with the Rules of Golf (7-12 holes are posted as a 9-hole score; 13 or more are posted as an 18-hole score). Holes not played are posted as par plus any handicap strokes to which the player is entitled.
- Post scores made in an area observing an active season.
- Post scores on all courses with a valid USGA Course Rating™ and Slope Rating®.
- Post scores in all forms of competition: match play, stroke play, and team competitions where players play their own ball.* Check with the Committee to see if the score is posted as a tournament (T) score.
- Post scores played under the Local Rule of "preferred lies."
- Post scores when a player is disqualified from a competition but still has an acceptable score for handicap purposes (e.g., failure to sign a score card).

** This does not mean all holes must be physically completed (see Section 4-1).*

The following are unacceptable scores for handicap posting purposes:

- When fewer than seven holes are played;
- When made on a golf course in an area in which an inactive season established by the authorized golf association is in effect;
- When, as a condition of the competition, the maximum number of clubs allowed is less than 14, or types of clubs are limited as, for example, in a competition that allows only iron clubs;
- When scores are made on a course with no USGA Course Rating or Slope Rating;
- When a player uses non-conforming clubs, non-conforming balls, or non-conforming tees; or when a player incurs a second breach of Rule 14-3.
- When a player plays alone;
- When a player ignores one or more Rules of Golf and fails to post an adjusted hole score as required under Section 4-1 and 4-2, or fails to record the appropriate penalty for a breach of rule. For example, if a player anchored the club while making a stroke during a round and did not record a penalty for doing so (See Rule 14-1b), the score would not have been played under the Rules of Golf and therefore would not be acceptable for handicap purposes.