

DISCOVERY BAY WOMEN'S GOLF CLUB

STANDING RULES

and TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

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Standing Rules:

1. USGA Rules shall govern all play, except as modified by local rules adopted by DBWGC.
2. The handicapping system of DBWGC is that adopted by the USGA. All scores must be posted the same day as played. The Discovery Bay Pro Shop will post the scores for a regular play day.
3. DBWGC membership dues shall be collected on an annual basis, and a portion will be allocated for NCGA. Any new member joining after September 1 shall be assessed 75% of the DBWGC dues, plus 100% of the dues for NCGA. Application for membership requires a Discovery Bay Course Handicap no higher than 36 based on the applicant's current NCGA/USGA index. (Note: A "new DBWGC member" is defined as a person who has never belonged to the DBWGC previously, or whose membership has lapsed.)
All present DBWGC members, regardless of their handicap, will play to a maximum 36 Discovery Bay Course Handicap. Anyone who wishes to play on "play day" must be a member who has completed the application for membership, and has paid her dues.
- 3a. Honorary Membership
A current DBWGC member may present a nomination to the Board for a potential Honorary Member. The person must have been a member of the DBWGC at one time. They do not need an active Handicap. They do not pay annual dues. They cannot vote or hold an office. An Honorary Member is encouraged to join the group for social events, such as play day lunches, guest day lunches, Invitational lunches and the Christmas luncheon.
4. Special signups, important notices, and information shall be by email and website.
5. These Standing Rules may be amended, or new Standing Rules adopted, at any General Meeting of DBWGC. They must be emailed and posted on the website at least two (2) weeks prior to the meeting. A majority affirmative vote of the members present shall be necessary for passage (quorum required).

Tournament Regulations:

1. Tee Times on regular play days, as well as Guest Days will be decided by the Tournament Chair.
2. For regular Tuesday play days, you must sign up by the time stated by the Tournament Chair.
3. There will not be a scheduled weekly tournament unless 12 or more players participate.
4. The Tournament Committee may cancel play due to adverse weather conditions. However, once play has begun, there will be no refund of sweeps money. Such retained sweeps money shall go into the fund of the Tournament Committee, to be used in future events.

5. To play in a weekly scheduled tournament, a player is required to:
 - a) Participate in the sweepstakes.
 - b) Sign in at least 30 minutes before their tee-off times.
 - c) Play with a club member.
 - d) Be a member in good standing.
6. Definition of Sweeps:
 - a) For regular play days, entry fees (sweeps) will be charged to the player's account by the Pro Shop. There will be voluntary sign up sheets for "chip ins" and "closest to the pin." If no one wins chip ins or closest to the pin, monies will carry over to the next non-guest play day.
 - b) For Guest Days, entry fees determined by the Tournament Chair will be paid in cash.
 - c) Should play be canceled prior to the first tee-off, or fewer than 12 members participate, all money collected will be refunded. (Entry fees for major tournaments and the Invitational shall not be subject to this rule.)
7. Play is expected to keep up with the group in front of you, regardless of play behind you.
8. A player will be **disqualified** if she signs a scorecard with her hole score **lower** than played. An attested hole score **higher** than played will stand, with **no disqualification**. All scorecards must be signed, dated, and properly attested.
9. Rules for all major tournaments will be by email.
10. Major tournaments shall be as follows:
 - a) Spring Handicap Tournament
 - b) Club Championship
11. To play in the Spring Handicap and DBWGC Club Championship, a member must have played at least four rounds on established play days in the previous twelve months. New members are required to play two 18-hole rounds on regularly scheduled play days for the calendar year in which they join. One Tuesday Team Play round may be applied to the requirement.
12. All participants in the annual DBWGC Invitational must have a current GHIN Number. For the Invitational, those participants with a Discovery Bay Course Handicap higher than 36 will play to a maximum of 36.
13. All Guests playing on a DBWGC Guest Day must have a current GHIN Number, and all players (Members and Guests) must play to a Discovery Bay Course Handicap maximum of 36.
14. Golf carts will not be mandatory in Major Tournament play unless deemed necessary by the Tournament Chair.
15. Courtesy and golf etiquette are to be observed at all times.
16. Voluntary Hole-In-One-Insurance: The Hole-In-One Insurance can be used on a DBWGC Play Day which includes Spring Handicap Tournament, Club Championship Tournament, Invitational and Team Play Days (home and away). These are sanctioned DBWGC events. DBWGC will allot up to \$200 reimbursement to that player for **drinks only**, and the player is responsible for any overages which could occur. The cost is \$10.00; and when the monies have been paid out, those members will be reassessed.
17. Suggestions and grievances are to be submitted, in writing, to a Board member, and will be reviewed by the Executive Board.
18. These Tournament Rules may be amended, or new Tournament Rules adopted, at any General Meeting of the DBWGC. A majority affirmative vote of the members present, plus absentee ballots, shall be necessary for passage (quorum required).