SUN CITY WOMEN'S 9-HOLE GOLF ASSOCIATION RULES & REGULATIONS

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The following Rules and Regulations shall be followed by all Leagues of the Sun City Women's Golf Association 9-Hole (SCWGA 9H). They may be amended only by majority vote of the Sun City Women's Golf Association 9-Hole governing body. Any such amendments shall be attached to these Rules and Regulations and shall be posted at each RCSC golf course for Member's perusal.

MEMBERSHIP

<u>Application for League Membership Form</u>: Membership may be obtained via physical membership form or electronically via USGA/AGA Join function.

Dues: Membership dues shall be established by each League and may be in excess of the AGA dues.

Guests/Non League Member: A non-member may play as a guest on Women's League day, providing space is available. She will be required to pay the "sweeps" fee, but will not be eligible for any prize money. A non-member/guest may only play in any League sanctioned event up to THREE times in any calendar year as a guest. A non-member/guest may play in a Saturday mixer, provided they have an established handicap and if space is available.

Membership: If no handicap has been established, a prospective member must provide attested scorecards of 54 holes (in any combination of 18 or 9 holes) from approved golf courses. (*USGA Rule 4.5*) Scorecards may also be attained while playing League play. The prospective member must pay the \$1.00 sweeps, but will not be eligible for prize money until she obtains a handicap.

Any player holding an active USGA or AGA handicap and GHIN number from any course, inside or outside of Sun City, which shows an established handicap index, may turn her information into the Handicap Chair for conversion. If a handicap is acquired, she will not need to provide scorecards for 54 holes. The completed membership form shall be turned in to the Membership Chair, or a designated member, along with her dues.

<u>Sweeps:</u> In addition to payment by each member for Tuesday League play, an additional amount will be collected by the Pro Shop Starter for what is termed "sweeps." This "sweeps" amount is currently \$1.00 and has been established by the Recreation Center of Sun City (RCSC). "Sweeps" fees allows the reservation of our Women's League Tuesday play time at each course, and provides the funds to enable distribution of weekly prizes.

WORLD HANDICAP SYSTEM

<u>Temporary Handicaps for New Members:</u> Temporary handicaps shall be established based on the 54 hole scores submitted with the League application according to USGA procedures of the World Handicap System (WHS). Scores used in the computation of handicaps must have been obtained within the past two (2) year period.

<u>Recording of ALL SCORES</u>: No matter when the game is played, **ALL SCORES** shall be recorded for the purpose of computing handicaps, no later than five (5) days after completion of play.

Handicap Limit: A maximum of 54 for 18 holes shall be the upper limit for handicaps on regulation courses per USGA rule 5.3 Determination of Tee Box: Each League shall determine their individual rules for players in choosing red or yellow tees for normal League play. Any tournament play shall follow tournament tee box rules.

<u>Handicap Adjustments</u>: The handicaps of players from regulation courses competing on executive courses (or vice versa) shall be adjusted for the course to be played in accordance with the-Slope System, under USGA guidelines.

TOURNAMENTS

Eligibility: Participants in major League sanctioned tournaments must be a member of the Sun City Women's 9-Hole Golf Association. Participants must have an established handicap appearing on the handicap sheet the month prior to the event. Participants may tee off from the tee box they use during their normal League play, however players with a 18 hole Handicap Index of 36.0 or less must play from the red tees during tournament play. Players with a 18 hole Handicap Index above 36.0 may choose either red or yellow tees and must advise the tournament officials which tee will be used when registering for an event.

TEAM PLAY

<u>Eligibility</u>: Any member of a SCWGA 9-Hole League with a USGA AGA handicap may participate in Team Play. The World Handicap System shall be used. The tee boxes to be played will be determined by a player's Handicap Index as outlined under the Tournaments section above.

Organization and Competition: Teams are made up of four players from participating Leagues with the option of having four members per League on the day of match play. Teams of four consist of two from League A and two from League B. League A two members compete in best score per hole vs the best score from the two from League B. One point is scored per hole for the best score between A and B. A 1/2 point is awarded per hole for a tie score to each A and B. Total points at the end of nine holes is then accumulated per League's team members. Total points among all Leagues teams for the three months of competition determine winners (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th). This match play competition will be held on the third Thursday of the month in January, February and March at different courses. At least one of those courses must be an executive course. Important Match Play Regulation: If a teammate does not show-up for match play the remaining player may choose to play by herself or forfeit the match. A \$1.00 sweeps will be collected from each player in addition to greens fee.

<u>**1**</u>_{st}<u>Vice President - Team Play Chair</u>. It will be the Team Play Chair's responsibility to coordinate all details of match play competition, to include matching of teams equitably using their handicap index. She shall secure dates for Team Play from the Pro Shop Manager one year in advance. Each League shall designate a Team Play Captain or Co-Captain. The 1st Vice president shall plan an organizational meeting to be held in December and prior to each match. All captains or their designee shall attend. It is the responsibility of the Team Play Chair and Team Captains to recommend to the Association Board if the format for Match Play is altered. These changes would be voted on and take effect the following year.

Team Play Chair and Captains shall provide scorecards for each match. Players will be paired according to their WHS handicap index.

<u>Assistant to 1_{st} Vice President</u>: If an Assistant Vice President Team Play Chair is appointed by the SCWGA Board President, she shall be involved as needed by the Team Play Chair.

SATURDAY MIXERS

Eligibility: Any member of a SCWGA 9-Hole Golf Association League may play in a Saturday Mixer. The Saturday Mixer shall be a scramble style format.

 2_{nd} Vice President - Saturday Mixer Chair: The 2_{nd} Vice President shall be designated Chair of the Saturday Mixers. Her primary responsibility is to plan and coordinate each Saturday Mixer event held the second Saturday in January, February, March, April, November and December. The events will take place on all courses rotated each year. One League will have a bye. She will provide scorecards for each mixer with teams mixed among the Leagues and teams equally matched with players according to their handicap index. The Mixer Chair may appoint an assistant from her home course to assist with her duties. A sweep amount of \$1.00 will be collected from each player in addition to the greens fee.

The President and Vice President are responsible for securing the dates for the Mixers from the Pro Shop Manager for the following year. They shall provide this information to the incoming Association Board and all League Presidents at the December meeting of the Association.

League Mixer Captains:

Each League shall select a Mixer Captain. Her responsibility will be to assist the 2_{nd} VP in recruiting players at their home course to play in the Saturday Mixers and to remind the players of their tee times. The 2_{nd} VP in charge of Saturday Mixers may call on the League Captain to post changes and/or call their players with any last minute changes. Other responsibilities of the host mixer captain are:

- Greet visiting players. Make them feel welcome at your course. Encourage participation at all courses.
- Provide a small drink following the Mixer. Provide tickets, if needed. Snacks may be purchased at the snack shop.
- Players shall be made aware of problems arising from last minute cancellations for this type of event and shall be encouraged to attend or call immediately if there's a need to cancel.
- Notify the 2nd VP of any cancellations from her league in a timely manner.

FORMS & PROCEDURES REQUIRED BY RECREATION CENTERS

CR-1 - New Club Officers (form attached)

Each League President shall prepare this form listing the incoming officers for the year which will begin January 1 and provide a copy to the RCSC Club Office to be stamped and recorded in January. Provide a copy to the SCWGA president.

CR-3 - Request for Meeting Room, Furniture and/or Equipment (form attached)

<u>All Association meetings should be held at Talisman Hall- 10433 W Talisman.</u> The current year's president is responsible for reserving Talisman Hall for the following year's meetings in early January.

All Leagues using Recreation Center facilities for their meetings must reserve space one year in advance. This is completed by the current League President. The CR-3 form is submitted to the RCSC Club office in early January.

Competition Certs (sweeps)

ALL PRIZES awarded by any League be they for weekly competition, mixers, tournaments or team play shall be via Certs in the Excel format as required by RCSC beginning April 1, 2022. Certs request forms are emailed to the RCSC Clubs Office. The Club Office will distribute the winnings to the winners by way of their RCSC card number. Exception to this rule is cash payments for chip-ins, hole-in-ones, or other special League games.

Attachments:

- 1) CR-1 New Club Officers form
- 2) CR-3 Request for Meeting Room, Furniture and/or Equipment

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