

# ZIA SENIOR MEN'S GOLF CLUB RULES OF PLAY

Designated FLIGHTS will be based on tee boxes. GHIN/ZIA handicap index will determine course handicaps.

Course Handicaps will be based on the slope and yardage differences at these Tee locations Ref GHIN Handicap Manual section 3.5.

In ZIA NET format, there will be flights, but they will be based on tees played and approximately 10-12 players per flight. You will declare which tees you want to play on the membership application.

**There is no longer an age or handicap condition to be eligible for either tee.**

BACK TEE FLIGHT will be based on players that request play tees approximately 6,000 yards. There will be multiple flights within this group based on GHIN/ZIA Indexes. (approximately 10-12 players per flight from this tee)

FORWARD TEE FLIGHT will be based on players that want to the next forward Tees approximately 5,000 to 5,500 yards.

There will be multiple flights within this group based on GHIN/ZIA Indexes. (approximately 10-12 players per flight from this tee)

## RULES FOR PLAY – January 2022

1. We want to keep our events to about four and a half hours (less, if possible); therefore, the following rules are established:
  - a. **PLAY READY GOLF!** When you get to your ball, play it unless someone else is ready to hit. If possible, cart-mates should park their cart midway between their ball locations and then each walk to their ball. This will speed the pace of the game.
  - b. Observe "Honors" only on the green and then only if it does not unduly slow the pace of the game.

Case in point: The last player to hit onto the green is also the first to putt; however, he is physically many yards away. **DO YOU WAIT FOR HIM? NO!**

Whoever is ready should begin putting. We are not playing a professional tournament. We want everyone to enjoy our golf.

**Waiting around is not fun.**

- c. It is not necessary for everyone to stay on the green while others putt. If you are finished, move on to the next hole.

- 2. USGA rules apply except as modified by local course rules and/or instructions given before starting play.

The new USGA 2019 rules will be in effect. The new search time is three (3) minutes. New dropping distance.

Alternative local rule E-5 and stroke and distance relief for a ball that is lost outside a penalty area or out of bounds will be in effect.

- 3. All course handicaps will be based on the lower GHIN or ZIA handicap index. All Competing players must have a current GHIN handicap.

- 4. Treat the course well. We may want to come back again. Rake the bunkers, repair divots and ball marks.

Do not drive carts into restricted areas.

- 5. Play the ball down unless notified otherwise before play.

- 6. In case of a dispute regarding a played ball, play two balls, keeping both scores. The problem will be resolved after the end of play with the involved parties, the resident pro, and club officials.

- 7. ELECTRONIC MEASURING DEVICES (EMDs): Will be allowed during the championships provided they do not give information regarding slope, elevation or wind.

- 8. The prize fund will be awarded through host facility gift certificates or through players' home courses.

- 9. There will not be any scorecard playoffs to determine gift certificate winners. In the event of ties, the following procedure will be followed for the disposition of payouts. If there is a two (2) way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, then 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winnings will be added together and the sum divided equally between the two players.

If there is a three (3) way tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, 2<sup>nd</sup> place, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winnings will be added together and the sum equally divided between the three players. The same procedure will be used for all place ties.

**Scoring will be ZIA Net. Except for two-person tournaments.**

**ZIA NET**

**Play your own ball, write your score per hole, but pick up when double par for a hole has been reached.**

**(Whether on the green, trap, water, rough, fairway, or tee box) mark the gross score.**

**Par 3 ... Double par is a 6. If you are putting for 6 pick up and move on. Mark 6 for the score.**

**Par 4 ... Double par is an 8. If you are putting for 8 pick up and move on. Mark 8 for the score.**

**Par 5 ... Double par is a 10. If you are putting for 10 pick up and move on. Mark 10 for the score.**

**We will also have a voluntary SKINS game to enter the day of the meet. Entry will be \$10 per person of which \$5 will go towards Gross Skins and \$5 to Net Skins. The skins payoff will remain in each flight. For example, the skins will be determined for the first flight, second flight and third flight independently.**

**The handicap per hole will be the same no matter which tee you play from.**

**2022 will be a fun year for all with the new “Choose Your Tee”. Let’s all get a friend to join us.**

**The more players we get the more \$\$\$ in the payoffs.**

**Go to the link concerning the “Membership App” and the “Entry Forms”. Remember we need the Entry Forms mailed in at least 7 days in advance.**

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