

SHWGC Standing Rules

2017-2018

MEMBERSHIP

1. Any woman resident may join the club.
2. Annual membership dues are established by the Board of Directors and are due and payable April 1st and delinquent May 15th.*
3. November 1st through May 31st is the calendar year.
4. New members joining after March 1st will pay full SCGA dues and half SHWGC dues to cover the remainder of the calendar year.

HANDICAP REQUIREMENTS***

1. Upon joining SHWGC and SCGA, a new member **WITH an existing GHIN** number and an established, verifiable handicap may play and compete in the scheduled weekly games and guest days.
2. A new member **without a GHIN** will obtain a GHIN number from the Handicap Chair. If she has a verifiable handicap she may compete in the weekly games and guest days at the discretion of the Handicap Chair. A new member without a verifiable handicap may play on Play Day following the field until such time as she has a verifiable handicap +++ .
3. Maximum course handicap for all SHWGC events will be 40.
4. Gold & Silver tees will be used. Members must declare each playing day which set of tees she intends to use. See Club Championship and Princess Tournament requirements regarding tee information. §

SHWGC – DRESS CODE POLICY

SHWGC will adhere to Shadow Hills dress code policy.

REGULAR PLAY DAYS+ AND RULES OF PLAY

1. Wednesday**is play day.+Friday is a SHWGC casual game day for members and allowed guests.++
 2. Play shall be from the Gold and Silver §§ Tees. Maximum course handicap for all SHWGC events will be 40. ++
 3. A player must sign up online at shwgc.com++ by 5:00 p.m. §§ Sunday+++ prior to play day. **Sign up must be made only online at shwgc.com.** Sign ups for Special Events will be determined by the event chair.++
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1. Cancellations must be received online by 10:00 am Monday §§ prior to play day.
 2. Cancellations after 10:00am Monday §§ must be made with the Pro Shop. Pro Shop cancellation policy will be in affect. §§. Must also notify Tournament 1 chair when cancelling. §§

3. Players must register at the sign-in table, which closes **30 minutes prior to start time on shotgun events** . ++
4. Scorecards must be dated, adjusted, signed, attested and posted with adjustments. ++
Non-compliance may result in disqualification.
5. Awards will be non-cash++ which approved by the Tournament Chair and Board of Directors.
6. On play day,+ players must play with another member and score must be attested for Par Card, Birdies, Eagles and Hole-In-One participation.
7. Play day+ is reserved for members. Non-members may not play on play day. ++
8. "Follow the field" will be limited to members in multi- day events at the discretion of the Tournament Committee. ++

USGA Local Rules Adoption

Distance Measuring Devices §

Distance Range finders will be allowed per USGA Rules of Golf (Rule 14-3). Audible distance range finders must be in the mute mode.

Stones in the Bunker §

Stones in *bunkers* are movable *obstructions* (Rule 24-1)

Accidental Moving of a Ball on the Green §§

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1.

This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

USGA Local Rules Adoption

Sprinkler Head Relief §§ Rule 24-2 & Appendix 1

Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green (e.g., Sprinkler Heads)

ALL conditions must be met for relief to be granted:

If a ball lies off the putting green but not in a hazard, AND the sprinkler head is on or within two club-lengths of the putting surface AND within two club lengths of the ball AND intervenes with the line of play between the ball and the hole, you may take relief as follows:

The ball shall be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay which (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids such intervention. and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green.

The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

Rule 24-2 provides relief, without penalty, from interference by an immovable *obstruction*, but it also provides that, except on the *putting green*, intervention on the *line of play* is not, of itself, interference under this Rule.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

1. This shall be a **3-day[†] gross-only** event played from the Gold tees[§] with flights determined by the Tournament Committee. It is recommended that each flight, have no more than a five-stroke differential. The number of players' awards⁺⁺ may vary between flights. See #7 for silver tee participants.
2. A player must post 20⁺⁺ games in 12 months prior to the tournament. 8⁺⁺⁺ of these games must be played on SHWGC play days. ⁺⁺
3. A sign up and tournament information sheet shall be posted and will include the following: a) eligibility b) qualifying dates, if any c) entry fee d) award distribution e) cancellation policy.
4. Ties for the Championship will be broken by sudden-death playoff beginning on hole # 18. Other ties will be determined by USGA recommended card-off.
5. First day's pairings will be by handicap. Subsequent days will be by previous round's scores.
6. Scores will be posted as Tournament scores..^{††}
7. Silver tee players will be included as a flight but will not be eligible to compete for the overall club champion. [§]

PRINCESS TOURNAMENT

1. This shall be a **2-day[†] net-only** event played from the Gold tees [§] with flights determined by the Tournament Committee. The number of players awards⁺⁺ may vary between flights. See #7 for silver tee participants.
2. A player must post 20⁺⁺ games in 12 months prior to the tournament. 5^{†††} games must have been played on SHWGC play days.⁺⁺
3. A sign up and tournament information sheet shall be posted and will include the following: a) eligibility b) qualifying dates, if any c) entry fee d) award distribution e) cancellation policy.
4. Ties for Princess will be broken by sudden-death playoff beginning on Hole #18. Other ties will be determined by USGA recommended **card-off**.
5. First day's pairings will be by handicap. Subsequent days will be by previous round's scores.
6. Scores will be posted as Tournament scores..^{††}
7. Silver tee players will be included as a flight but will not be eligible to compete for the overall Princess tournament. [§]

MEMBER/MEMBER

1. This shall be a gross and net tournament on two consecutive play days
2. A maximum 10 point spread shall apply between partners handicaps. When the spread is greater than 10 the higher handicap shall be reduced.†

GUEST DAYS

All players must have verifiable handicaps. A maximum 10-point spread shall apply between partner's handicaps. When there is more than a 10-point spread, the higher handicap shall be reduced. A guest is a not a member of SHWGC or is not resident of Shadow Hills. §§

At least one-month prior, Guest Day Chair shall post the sign-up sheet with tournament description and cancellation policy. Guest Days must be self-sustaining and are subject to Board approval.

HOLE-IN-ONE #

Members must purchase Hole-in-One insurance to be eligible to claim the Hole-in-One prize. When a member makes a qualifying hole-in-one, the money is dispersed. Members must then renew their insurance to maintain eligibility for the Hole-in-One prize. ++

The following conditions must be met for a qualifying Hole-in-One.

1. The Hole-in-One must be made at Shadow Hills Golf Club on the South Course. ++
2. The Hole-in-One must be made during the calendar year (November 1 – May 31) during a Wednesday play day. +
3. The ball must be hit from the Gold or Silver^{§§} Tees.
4. The Hole-in-One must be attested by another SHWGC member, who witnessed the Hole-in-One. ++ The Hole-in-One will be recognized on the day that it is made. The funds will be distributed at that time. ++
5. The recipient's name will be added to the Hole-in- One Plaque.

BIG SISTERS - New Member Program^{††}

A new member will be introduced to an established member, "Big Sister", who will welcome and guide her through her first year experience with the club.

MONTHLY MOST IMPROVED GOLFER # - ACE of the Month^{††}

A qualified member with the greatest percentage of handicap index reduction for the month will be recognized and receive an award at the General Meeting.^{††}

1. A returning member must have played at least 5 rounds, on regular club play days, during the previous 12 months..^{††}
2. New members must have completed two months of play, with at least 3 rounds played on regular club play days..^{††}

PAR CLUB #

There is no time limit for this play day+ challenge to score a par (or better) on all 18 holes from either the Gold or Silver tees^{ss}. All par card scores shall be attested by a playing member. A bag tag will be awarded upon completion.

BIRDIES AND EAGLES #

For each attested birdie or eagle played from Gold or Silver tees^{ss} on a given play day+, the member will receive pro shop credit.^{tt} The member with the most birdies will be recognized at the end of the season.

Other Golf Club Affiliations §

WOMEN'S DESERT TEAM PLAY (WDTP) - FALL TEAM #

1. Any member who meets the eligibility requirements of SCGA/WDTP, whose index does not exceed 24.8, may sign up by the designated annual deadline. SHWGC team members must use the gold tees or longer at Shadow Hills year round and/or tees at their summer home course that meet the minimum WDTP course length of 5200 yards.
2. The team will be comprised of members who have the lowest handicap index as of the deadline.
3. The Captain and Co-Captain will post sign-up sheets in the Pro Shop and on the website until the WDTP annual deadline and encourage members to participate. Sign-up will remain open until the handicaps are collected for selection of the team.
4. Each March a Team Captain will be elected by the existing team. The Team Captain will select a Co-Captain. The Captain and Co-Captain shall adhere to WDTP By-Laws and follow policies and procedures as outline in the SCGA/WDTP Team Manual.
5. The Captain and Co-Captain are responsible for the general operation of the team. They are also responsible for keeping the SHWGC President informed of all pertinent information and meetings.
6. The Fall Team is sponsored by the Shadow Hills Women's Golf Club. It is expected that all team players will participate in the SHWGC play days on a regular basis.

Other Golf Club Affiliations §

DESERT CITIES SPRING TEAM LEAGUE (DCSTL)+++

1. Any member who meets the eligibility requirements of DCSTL, whose index is a minimum of 10 and does not exceed 28 on January 15th, may sign up by the designated annual deadline
2. The team will be comprised of a minimum of 16 members.
3. The Captain and Co-Captain will post sign-up sheets in the Pro Shop and on the website until the DCSTL annual deadline and encourage members to participate.
4. Each April a Team Captain will be elected by the existing team. The Team Captain will select a Co-

Captain. The Captain and Co-Captain shall adhere to DCSTL By-Laws and follow policies and procedures as outline in the DCSTL Team Manual.

1. The Captain and Co-Captain are responsible for the general operation of the team. They are also responsible for keeping the SHWGC President informed of all pertinent information and meetings.

Other Golf Club Affiliations §

Summer Women's Golf Organizations §

DESERT FOXES §

May-September - Maximum course handicap is 36. Team game, net.

DESERT MICE §

May - September - Eligible women with verifiable handicap from 10 to 20. Maximum course handicap is 20. Donation to the Living Desert is required. Individual games, equal gross and net.

ROADRUNNERS §

May - September - Eligible women with verifiable handicap of less than 10. Maximum course handicap is 12. Individual games, equal gross and net.

Please contact the SHWGC president for more information

Footnotes

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Updated/additions June 2010

- * Membership revised 02/07 to extend date to May 15.
- ** SHWGC Events and Rules of Play – Play Day changed to Wednesday, revised 05/07.
- *** Handicap requirements – revised (effective 01/01/10) to comply with GHIN handicap system. Changes/modifications update 8/22/11
- + See SHWGC By-Laws Article 1, Section 4, for description. (Added 06/10) # Entire section added to Standing Rules (6/10).
- ++ Changes/modifications update 8/22/11.
- +++ Changes/additions/modifications made May 2012
- † Changes/additions/modifications/ Member-member #3 deleted made May 2013.
- †† Changes/additions/modifications made May 2014.
- ††† Changes/additions/modifications made May 2015.
- § Changes/additions/modification made May 2016.
- §§ Changes/additions/modification made May 2017