

HIMGA 18 HOLE GROUP HANDICAP INFORMATION
2020

The handicaps for the Holiday Island Men’s Golf Association are calculated using a computer program titled Handicap System. This program is used in conjunction with a Program called Tournament Manager which provides the weekly tournament setup and team selection, and calculates the winners etc..

The handicap system we use is based on the USGA formula with a few custom settings. The USGA and the rest of the Golf World have adopted a new system called the World Handicap System (WHS).

HIMGA will be adopting the principles of the WHS where it is possible. Some of the new features of WHS are not supported by our software and the vendor will not be updating the stand-alone version we use.

Our handicaps will be calculated using the LOW 4 Rounds of the LAST 8 rounds played. Obviously some rounds will not be used for handicaps, like Scrambles. The HIMGA 2020 Season has 24 handicap events on the Schedule. Members are encouraged to play on these days so that your handicap will reflect your current state of golf expertise or lack thereof.

DEFINITIONS

AGS = Adjusted Gross Score, see Equitable Stroke Control below. WHS uses NET Double Bogey, our software does not support that, but should be very similar.

The Number 113 is the SLOPE of a Standard Course.

Course Rating = What a Scratch Golfer should score playing from those Tees.

FORMULA

AGS – Course Rating x 113 / Slope = Differential (low 4) added together and divided by 4. This number would be the same as Golf Handicap Index Number.

This number is multiplied by the Slope of the Tees you play from and then divided by 113.

NEW with the WHS This number is then modified by the Course Rating of the Tees you play minus PAR. This is your COURSE HANDICAP !

Course Handicap = Handicap Index x (Slope Rating / 113) + (Course Rating – Par)

EXAMPLE OF CALCULATION FOR EACH SET OF TEES PLAYED WITH AN INDEX NUMBER OF 18:

WHITE TEE

18 X 118 / 113 = 18.79 + (68.3 – 71) or -2.7 = 16.10 rounded to 16. Shoot 87 for net Par

GREEN TEE

18 X 111 / 113 = 17.68 + (64.9 – 71) or -6.1 = 11.58 rounded to 12. Shoot 83 for net par.

SILVER TEE

18 X 104 / 113 = 16.57 + (61.2 – 71) or -9.8 = 6.77 rounded to 7. Shoot 78 for net par.

The Course Handicap is based on PAR not the course rating as was previously used, so your handicap will appear lower, but it is the same for everyone.

Because the WHS computes your Course Handicap from the Tees you play from there is no further adjustment necessary when competing from different sets of Tees, as before.

EQUITABLE STROKE CONTROL

HANDICAP	MAXIMUM PER HOLE FOR HDPC CALCULATION
9 OR LESS	DOUBLE BOGEY
10 TO 19	7
20 TO 29	8
30 TO 39	9
40 OR MORE	10

The Course Handicap on the HIMGA Webpage (himga.org) will be approximate and may not exactly match what you see on the Tournament Sheet on Tuesday morning due to rounding from two decimal places. Accuracy should be within plus or minus one.