

OCCWGA STANDING RULES

Updated March 22, 2022

1. All checks will be drawn by the Treasurer, or in her absence, by the President.
2. In addition to the payment of annual OCCWGA dues, in the amount established by the OCCWGA Board, an OCCWGA member who is not a member of OCC, is responsible for the payment of any and all applicable greens fees and cart fees during OCCWGA events, as well as applicable handicap fees and any other fees, dues, or amounts required to be an OCCWGA member.
3. OCCWGA membership requires a USGA recognized established handicap index of 40.4 and payment of OCCWGA current dues. If you have not established a handicap index, the player must submit 54 holes for indexing.
4. For handicap purposes, all 9 and 18 hole scores must be posted. Failure to do so will require action by the Handicap Committee. Once a player tees off on their 14th hole of the round, then all 18 holes must be posted according to the USGA Rules of Golf. On the holes a player did not play, record a par plus any handicap stroke(s) the player would have received.
5. A member of OCCWGA who has contributed \$5.00 to the Hole-In-One Fund for a calendar year, by end of the previous year or within 10 days of joining OCCWGA, and makes a valid hole-in-one, shall be honored by receiving a payout at the end of the calendar year. The payout will be \$100, unless more than one member makes a hole-in-one. Then the amount rewarded will be the amount in the Fund, divided by the number of players who achieved a hole-in-one, not to exceed \$100 each. In the event that no OCCWGA member makes a hole-in-one within the calendar year, the Hole-in-One Fund will be carried over to the following calendar year.

To be considered valid, a hole-in-one must meet the following criteria:

 - a. Played at OCC any day of the week and attested to by at least two other players.
 - b. Player must have played all prior holes, and continued to play all subsequent holes in the stipulated round according to USGA Rules of Golf. A stipulated round in most cases is 18 holes, however, it may be altered by the Tournament Committee in the event a game such as match play, better ball, scramble, eclectic, etc is scheduled.
6. A new and/or existing OCCWGA member must play in at least three OCCWGA events over the previous six months before being eligible to participate in the following major tournaments: Match Play, President's Cup, Partner's Eclectic, and OCCWGA Club Championship.
7. No one may play to a handicap greater than 36 in the Major Tournaments. C (Competition) scores, for Handicap Committee and Tournament Chair review and adjustment, will be used for the following OCCWGA tournaments: Match Play, President's Cup, Partner's Eclectic, OCCWGA Club Championship.
8. Proper golf attire, in good taste, shall be worn by OCCWGA members, and their guests, at all OCCWGA sponsored events.
9. Guests of members may be paired on Tuesdays subject to prior arrangements with the Tournament Chair. Guests are ineligible for sweeps.

10. An award will be presented at the winter meeting to the Most Improved golfer of the year. The handicap chair will determine the recipient of the award according to USGA guidelines and the following eligibility requirements:
 - a. The member must have joined OCCWGA by January 15 of the current year.
 - b. The member must have an established handicap based on not less than 20 scores played and posted during OCCWGA Ladies Day events at OCC.

11. Member-Guest or Invitational Tournament:
 - a. Guest at Member-Guest may not be a member of OCC.
 - b. Guest entering one of these must have an established handicap prior to the date of the tournament to be eligible to compete with a member.

12. A member of OCCWGA must comply with the following USGA and AGA Local Tournament Rules allowing electronic distance measuring devices at OCCWGA organized events. A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect her play (e.g. gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.) the player is in breach of Rule 14.3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

13. Team Play – Priority will be given to OCC members to participate in Team Play. If an OCC member is not available to play, OCCWGA members will be eligible to play.

14. For all major tournaments, and other events as determined by the Tournament Chair, participants will play from the Gold Tees. Otherwise, participants may play from any tee box.

15. If a player wishes to compete from other than the gold tees on Tuesday play, they must specify the tee box, other than gold, at REGISTRATION for the event.

16. Any female OCC or OCCWGA member may play during the Tuesday game, yet not participate in the game.