

Handicap For Badlands Golf Course Members

Purpose of Handicaps

The purpose of setting up a Handicap System at Badlands Golf Course is to provide Members the opportunity to participate in events in a fair and competitive manner.

Events

For 2024 the main event for Members at Badlands will be the Club Championship which will be held as usual at the end of August 2024. The Championship in 2024 will have two components, Gross and Net. The benefit of establishing a handicap is to put members in a flight with other members of equal golfing abilities in the Gross Category. The Net Category will be for all members who have a handicap either for a League at Badlands Golf course or using the process that will be set out in this proposal.

There are also other events that are being proposed for 2024. Depending on interest events might include a Match Play tournament for both men and women, and Scramble Match play event for both men and women. To participate in these events a member will have to have an established handicap either with a League at Badlands Golf Course or through the Handicap process in this proposal.

Match Play Events

1. Events will be set up at the beginning of June for interested Members who have handicaps.
2. The initial pairings will be set up on a random drawing basis.
3. The matches will be played through June, July, and the first part of August. The participants will have approximately 2 weeks to complete the matches.
4. It will be the participants responsibility to arrange a time to play their match within the approximate 2 week time frame.
5. The winner will be advance to the next level.
6. In applying handicaps the member with the higher handicap will receive the difference between their handicap and the other person and receive strokes on the holes that correspond to the that number. For example a match between a 10 and 15 handicap will receive strokes on the 5 most difficult holes on the course. The winner of the match will be the person that wins the most holes. In the case of a tie the match will go back to the first hole for a sudden death playoff. The first person to win a hole is the winner.

Establishing a Handicap

For those that are not part of a League at Badlands Golf Course will be able to establish a handicap by following the following process.

1. A collection box will be placed in the club house will be established where scorecards will be collected.
2. The member will have to have their first and last name on the scorecard along with what tees they played from, ie blue, white, gold or red.

3. The scorecards will be collected and entered into a system where a handicap will be calculated.
4. The handicap will be calculated using the formula used by the USGA (United States Golf Association). The formula is $((113/\text{Slope Rating}) \times (\text{Adjusted Gross Score} - \text{Course Rating})) \times 0.96$
5. To establish a handicap at least 54 holes need to be submitted. This could be 3-18 hole or 6-9 hole scores or a combination of the two.
6. The following are the Course Rating and Slope that is listed by the WSGA (Wisconsin State Golf Association).
 - Blue Tees 70.7/121
 - White Tees 69.2/117
 - Gold Tees Men 66.1/111
 - Gold Tees Ladies 70.6/120
 - Red Tees 67.9/110
7. List of Members and their handicaps will be posted in the Club house on a Weekly basis.

If you have questions regarding establishing a handicap at Badlands Golf Course can be directed to Scot Samelstad at 715-781-8459.