



## Handicap Reminders

**Post All Scores** The USGA requires that all scores for all rounds (**including 9 hole rounds**) played at any course during the period starting Friday April 25, 2008 through and including Sunday October 19, 2008 be posted on the Handicap System for peer review. It is every club member's responsibility to uphold the integrity of the USGA Handicap System by ensuring that he and his fellow club members accurately post all of their scores.

**Equitable Stroke Control (ESC)** Equitable Stroke Control reduces high hole scores in order to make handicaps more representative of a player's potential ability. ESC does NOT apply to tournament scores, only scores posted in the GHIN computer. Before posting scores in the GHIN computer, you **must** adjust your score based on your handicap and the table below:

### EQUITABLE STROKE CONTROL

COURSE HANDICAP	MAXIMUM NUMBER ON ANY HOLE
9 or less	Double Bogey
10 through 19	7
20 through 29	8
30 through 39	9
40 or more	10

So a player with a Course Handicap of 6 has a maximum number of par plus two strokes (double bogey) for any hole. A player with a Course Handicap of 13 has a maximum number of 7 for any hole regardless of par.

**ESC DOES NOT APPLY TO TOURNAMENT SCORES** When posting weekly or other tournament scores, **do NOT apply ESC to the score you post for the tournament!** ESC only applies to scores posted for handicap purposes.

Example: A player with a Handicap of 20 shoots a score of 95 which includes two 9's. If he played in a weekly tournament (or other handicapped event) he posts the full score of 95 for the event and then uses the ESC table above to reduce the 9's to 8's and posts the adjusted score of 93 in the GHIN system.

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