

WHS HANDICAP GUIDELINES FOR PLAY

We have adopted the new **World Handicapping System (WHS)** which is now the worldwide standard and unifies all the 6 different handicap systems into a single system

A FEW SALIENT POINTS ARE :

- Course Rating and Slope Rating for each set of tees
- Handicap Index (HI) will be based on average of best 8 from last 20 scores
- Maximum handicap Index will be 54
- Abnormal course and weather conditions adjustments will be on a daily basis (PCC)
- Playing Handicap will depend on the format of play (i.e. individual medal or stableford or 4BBB etc.) in **competitions**
- A Soft Cap and Hard Cap ensures that Handicap Index does not increase excessively in a year
- Exceptional Scoring Reduction (ESR) to handle exceptionally low scoring rounds
- Handicap is updated after every game

Score Recording for Players:

- Min 9 holes must be played
- Max NET Double Bogey
- For holes not played, NET Par

SOFT / HARD CAPS:

CAPS are provision to prevent excessive increase in handicap over a short period of time

- Applicable for players with 20 or more scores in 1 year
- LHI = Lowest Handicap Index in 1 year
- HI = Handicap Index calculated
- Soft Cap: If HI – LHI is more than 3 strokes, then increase is reduced by 50%
- Hard Cap: Maximum increase is capped at 5 above the LHI

EXCEPTIONAL SCORING REDUCTION (ESR):

ESR is applied if a player submits an exceptionally lower score compared to their current handicap

- If a score is 7 strokes or better, then handicap is reduced by 1
- If a score is 10 strokes or better, then handicap is reduced by 2.

PLAYING CONDITIONS CALCULATION (PCC):

PCC is an adjustment to scores submitted on rounds played under extraordinarily difficult conditions, like Rain, Fog etc.