

USGA Handicap System™ Changes, 2018-2019

Effective 1/1/18 Reference Document

SECTION 2

Principle: The definition of a golf club is amended to include language where affiliation with any one golf course, or exhibited frequency or regularity of play at any golf course meets the definition of a Type 1 golf club. The new language provides greater clarity for golf club type classifications.

SECTION 5

Principle: To enhance the integrity of the USGA Handicap System, and to ensure the alternate calculation of a Handicap Index for players with two or more eligible T-Scores as noted in Section 10-3 is supported, it is recommended that the Committee in charge of the competition or the Handicap Committee should post all tournament scores.

SECTION 8

Principle: To differentiate between a golfer who has a temporary injury versus a disability, the term “disability” was changed to “injury.”

SECTION 11

Principle: To improve operational efficiencies, and protect the integrity of the USGA Handicap System, the authorized golf associations will have additional responsibilities in the administration oversight of the USGA Handicap System within its territory.

Decisions

DECISION 2/6.5

Effect of Advertising or Solicitation of Unaffiliated Members on Golf Club Category (REVISED)

DECISION 8-4c/1

Treatment of a Player with a Temporary Injury (REVISED)

DECISION 8-4c/2

Treatment of a Player with a Permanent Injury (REVISED)