

Holland Recreation Adult Golf Fall League Rules and Guidelines

League Overview

- The league is a 5-week season. Teams will play 9 holes each week.
- The tee times for the league are 6:00PM, 6:08PM, & 6:16PM.
- Teams will consist of 2 golfers. Teams will compete against a different team each week.
- Standings are kept for this league.
- Golfers will have a handicap that will be established after the first week and will be adjusted throughout the season.
- There will be two holes that are designated for “Closest to the Pin” and “Longest Drive”. Prizes will be awarded to the winners of these categories each week.
- Cancellations will be made by Winding Creek Golf Course if the course is unplayable. Holland Recreation will communicate any cancellations through email and on the Holland Recreation Cancellation Page.
- League standings and schedules will be emailed to participants after each week.

League Rules

- The pace of play is expected to be around 2 hours – 2 hours and 15 minutes to complete 9 holes for each group.
- Ready golf should be used as long as it is done in a safe and responsible manner.
 - o Generally, the person with the lowest score will hit from the tee box first on the next hole. If this player has to take extra time to get ready for the next hole, other players in the group may hit their shot before them.
 - o Generally, the farthest ball from the hole is played next. If someone in the group is ready to hit before this person, they may do so as long as it is done in a safe and responsible manner.
- Players will play their own ball for the entire 9 holes. Players are responsible for keeping track of their score for each hole.
- Winding Creek will provide one official scorecard for each foursome. One player in each foursome is responsible for marking down every golfer’s score for each hole on the



official scorecard. The official scorecard must be turned in after each round to the Winding Creek staff in the clubhouse.

- Each hole has a maximum stroke limit. Players can not get a score worse than “double par” on any hole. On a par 3, the maximum score you can have is 6. On a par 4, the maximum score you can have is 8. On a par 5, the maximum score you can have is 10.
- Golfers should putt out on each hole. The exceptions to this rule:
 - o If a golfer hits their score maximum for that hole, they should pick up their ball.
 - o A “gimme” – a conceded shot that the group agrees is an unmissable shot. The “gimme” is still counted as a shot, but the player does not actually have to putt it.
 - “Gimmes” should only be considered for putts that are within a putter’s length away.
- A golfer may search for their ball for up to 3 minutes before the ball is declared lost. After 3 minutes, the player should drop in the general area of where the ball was deemed “lost” and take a penalty stroke. The drop area must be approved by the group.

Sportsmanship

- Fighting and unsportsmanlike conduct will not be tolerated. Golfers who are causing issues with staff, golfers, the course, etc. may be suspended or forced to leave the league.
- Verbal abuse will not be tolerated. Such abuse, when deemed inappropriate, will be grounds for potential suspension. Be mindful of your surroundings.
- Be respectful to the golf course, golf staff, our league golfers, and other golfers. Show good golf etiquette and display honesty through your round.