

# PENN NATIONAL HANDICAP COMMITTEE HANDICAPPING POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

The *Handicap Committee* of the *Penn National Golf Club* is responsible for ensuring compliance with the obligations under the World Handicapping System in accordance with the *Rules of Handicapping* and the USGA. As a Committee, we will verify that *acceptable scores* are posted for handicap purposes and made available for *peer review*. The *Handicap Committee* will perform random score audits and review *member scoring records* at least annually.

In addition, the *Handicap Committee* provides guidance to club officials and other club Committees to ensure players consistently have the ability to use their *Handicap Index* to compete, or play a recreational round, with anyone else on a fair and equal basis. Key interfaces include the Head Professional, staff, golf course superintendent and competition committees.

The *Handicap Committee* consults with the Competition Committee to establish the Terms of the competition for all applicable events at the club.

The *Penn National Handicap Committee* members are:

Kathy Gallagher  
Jeff Hutchison  
Malcolm McNett  
Ken Motter  
Mark Orndorff  
Darin Peart, Head PGA Professional

The *Handicap Committee* has set forth the following policies and procedures for all members wishing to establish and maintain a *Handicap Index* with our club.

- Maintain an active membership on the handicap roster of the club.
- Post all acceptable scores, including 9-hole rounds.
- Scores are to be posted within the same day of the round being played.
- Where applicable, proper adjustments must be applied to all scores for posting purposes, including net double bogey and most likely score.
- Each player will try to make the best score at every hole in every round, regardless of where the round is played

Disciplinary actions for failure to post or player manipulating their *Handicap Index* will be addressed by the [Penn National Handicap Committee Procedures for Player Responsibility Non-Compliance](#).

A player must earn a Handicap Index. No player has an inherent right to a *Handicap Index* without demonstrating ability to our *Penn National Handicap Committee*. The *Handicap Committee* has the authority and obligation to adjust a *Handicap Index* if it feels necessary to do so.

Please direct any questions or concerns to any member of the *Handicap Committee*.