Virginia Beach Seniors Golf Club

GUIDELINES FOR KEEPING SCORECARDS

<div align="right">Revised - March 2024</div>

VBSGC has established the following Guidelines for Scorekeeping:

Modified Stableford Scoring System. The Club uses a modified Stableford scoring system for regularly scheduled weekly tournaments. This is also known as 36 minus handicap scoring. For example a golfer with a club handicap of 22 has a point target of 14 (i.e., 36 minus 22 = 14). Stableford points are scored on each hole of a stipulated round based upon the number of strokes taken on the hole in relation to par, as follows:

Over Bogey – 0-points	Bogey - 1-point	Par – 2-points
Birdie – 4-points	Eagle (hole-in-one on par 3) – 6-points	Double Eagle – 8-points

Continuing from above, if the golfer with a 22 handicap and point target of 14 makes 14 points in his round he is deemed to be "even". If he makes 17 points he is deemed to be "plus 3"; if he makes 12 points he is deemed to "minus 2". The point targets for each player on a team are totaled to establish the team's point target. Regular weekly tournaments are always team events. The team that scores the highest number of stableford points relative to their target wins.

Maximum Club Handicap. The maximum club handicap recognized by VBSGC for Stableford scorekeeping is **32**. This means every member is challenged to contribute at least two Stableford points per nine holes played, or four points per 18 holes played. (Added 3-6-2024)

Scorecards. All Team scorecards for all weekly tournaments are computer generated and printed by the Scheduling, Scoring and Handicaps Committee based upon the week's published pairing sheet. Each card will have the name of the course being played and the starting hole at the top, along with the Greens Fee, Start Time, Date and Course Phone in the upper right hand corner. The names of each team member, their club handicaps and their selected tee box are pre-printed next to a grid of boxes with diagonal lines across. The computer will do the "stableford 'points needed' calculation" for each player on the team based on the club handicap displayed and show the target "Points Needed" total for the team below the player names.

Weekly Scorekeeping. Keep two scorecards, one in each cart. The designated Team Captain is responsible for submitting a legible, accurate, correct scorecard.

Please write **legibly in pencil**. For each hole the scorekeeper records the number of strokes played on the hole by the competitor above the diagonal and the number of points earned below the diagonal. If a competitor scores no Stapleford points enter a zero. USGA Equitable Stroke Control was eliminated on January 1, 2020 with the adoption of Worldwide Rules for Handicapping; the new maximum allowable score per hole for ALL players is double bogey. Do not enter a score greater than the double bogey maximum. If no stableford points were earned enter a zero. Scorekeepers should check accuracy between cards and verify both individual and team scores and points after completion of each hole. After each 9 holes are completed (front or back) check and total both the individual and team scores and points and transfer them to the summary box at the bottom of the scoresheet. After completing the round check accuracy between cards; ensure all information is transferred accurately to the summary box at the bottom.

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Total all individual points earned on the "Team Total" line, compare to the number of "Points Needed" and calculate your net points (the difference between Total Points earned and Points Needed). Then mark your net points in the box at the bottom right corner of the scorecard, then below that write and circle the number your team is above or below their objective.

Pace of Play. The Board of Directors has established the following mandatory policies to monitor and improve pace of play: (1) Record the time the first tee ball is struck by the group in the space at the bottom of the scorecard; (2) Record the time the last putt was holed by the group in the space at the bottom of the scoresheet; and (3) When a player is "out of the hole" (i.e., unable to improve his team's points for the hole) he <u>MUST</u> pick up his ball, and his score will be recorded as a double bogey with zero Stableford points.

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Recalculating Team Point Target. If the pairings get rearranged and team members are subtracted or added to your team the morning of a tournament you may need to recalculate your team's "Points Needed". To calculate your team's points subtract *each* player in your group's VBSGC handicap from 36 (remember the maximum club handicap is 32) and then add those results which is then your team's new break-even goal. Neatly cross out the pre-printed number beside "Points Needed" in all three locations and write this new "target number" beside the old. NOTE: maximum club handicap above. (Revised 3-6-24)

Club Championship. Each year the 36-hole club championship is played in two weeks over two different courses in late summer or early fall. It is a flighted, individual member, stroke play tournament. The scorecards for these two rounds will also be machine generated and preprinted. They will appear the same as our weekly stableford scorecards but will be used differently. The only number to be recorded is <u>total strokes</u> taken for the player to hole his ball. No concessions are allowed, no double bogey maximum limits apply, all putts must be holed, and ONLY TOTAL STROKES recorded. Any player stroke total on a hole greater than double bogey should be circled. For these two rounds you will only add the 9-hole stroke totals and transfer them to the bottom box and then total them for the round. No stableford points will be used in the Club Championship.

Score Turn-in. Team Captains should go directly from the course to the clubhouse and turn in their scorecard and money before going to their car and putting equipment away. They should be ready with their team's money and scorecard before approaching the Committee table. This will speed up the final scoring significantly and reduces confusion. The team captain (or a designated team member) must remain in the scoring area as long as the team is "in the running" for winning a prize. If no member of a winning team is present to collect the team's prize money it will be forfeited and deposited to the club treasury as there is no capability for the Monthly Tournament Committee to secure uncollected prize money.

If everyone does a good job of recording our scores, the Monthly Tournament Committee will be better able to quickly and accurately calculate and publish the results.

<div align="center">THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION AND ASSISTANCE!!</div>

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