



New Members without an Official or Temporary Handicap

When you join FHMGC, your course handicap is a 10 unless you have an official handicap at another club. For all new members without an official Handicap, below are options that you can exercise to establish an official handicap with the Fox Hollow Men's Golf Club (FHMGC) via the Maryland State Golf Association (MSGA) that will be used by the Fox Hollow Men's Golf Club to compute your tournament net score. A minimum of five (5) 18-hole scores is required to compute a permanent handicap index, while only three (3) 18-hole scores are required to compute a temporary handicap.

Net score = Gross Score – Course Handicap, where

Course Handicap = Handicap Index (Course Slope/113)

The following are four options for which you can establish a course handicap:

Option 1: Play a minimum of three rounds of golf. After you play each round, please post the score to your MSGA Handicap Account. Use your MSGA account credentials previous provided to you. After you have posted a minimum of 3 rounds, please notify the FHMGC Handicap Chairman **so that he can compute your temporary handicap index.**

Option 2: Collect a maximum of your latest 20 scorecards and provide them to the handicap chairman so that he can post those scores. The scorecards must contain name and location of the golf course, hole-by-hole scores, course slope and rating, and date (MM, DD, YY) the round was played.

Option 3: If you have scores from another handicap system or another club, please notify the FHMGC Handicap Chairman and provide him and let him know where he can obtain those scores. He will probably need to manually enter those scores into the MSGA handicap system.

Option 4: If you already have an MSGA account with another club, the FHMGC Handicap Chairman can request those scores to be transferred to Fox Hollow. If you wish to keep the scores with the current golf club, please notify the FHMGC Handicap Chairman and he will establish a multi-club account so that your official handicap index will be the same at both golf clubs.

The club's goal is to have at least a temporary handicap established for all new members prior to your first tournament of the year.

Please contact the FHMGC Handicap Chairman if you have any comments or questions.

**Sincerely,
FHMGC Handicap Chairman**