

Fox Hills Men's Golf Association Constitution and By-Laws

Original (1965) Amended (1978) (2008) (2014) (2018) (2019)(2020-1)(2020-2)(2022)(2025)

- ARTICLE 1 NAME AND PURPOSE**
- Section 1 The name of this organization is the FOX HILLS MEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION.
- Section 2 The purpose of this association shall be to promote good fellowship and an interest in golf.
- Section 3 The Association shall conduct business according to these by-laws.
- Section 4 Amendments of the bi-laws shall be by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. It shall be presented to the membership at either the spring meeting or the awards banquet. Any amendment shall be deemed passed unless 2/3 of the membership present vote to overturn the Boards' actions.
- ARTICLE 2 MEMBERSHIP**
- Section 1 All men interested in golf may become members of the Fox Hills Men's Golf Association.
- Section 2 A minimum age of a player to qualify as an association member shall be (16) sixteen.
- ARTICLE 3 DUES**
- Section 1 Sponsor fees and individual league dues will be set by the Board of Directors before the beginning of each season and are to be collected by the Secretary/Treasurer. Dues shall be used to defray expenses of prizes, dinner and any other expenses incurred for the benefit of the members.
- Section 2 Dues must be paid before the beginning of league play. Forfeiture of player points (retroactive to week 1) if not paid by June 1st. New players must pay their dues on the 1st night of play.
- ARTICLE 4 OFFICERS / BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THEIR ELECTION**
- Section 1 The Fox Hills Men's Golf Association Board of Directors shall be comprised of the following seven elected positions—President, Vice President, Secretary/Treasurer, Handicap Chairman, and three Board of Directors along with the Club Pro.
- Section 2 The term of office shall be (1) one year.
- Section 3 Election of officers for the following year will be held at the awards banquet. Nominations will be allowed from the floor at the awards banquet. If there are two nominees for a position, a secret ballot shall determine the outcome.
- Section 4 A minimum of two members of the association appointed by the President shall count the ballots.
- ARTICLE 5 DUTIES OF OFFICERS**
- Section 1 The President shall call and conduct meetings, appoint committees, post notices of meetings and coming events and can issued checks on the organization's bank account.
- Section 2 The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President.
- Section 3 The Secretary/Treasurer shall keep the minutes of all meetings and collect all dues and monies due the Association, maintains a bank account for the league, issue checks from the bank account, and prepares an annual financial statement. For performing these duties the Secretary/Treasurer will receive a stipend to be determined by the board prior to each golf season.
- Section 4 The Handicap Chairman is responsible for handicaps, scoring, posting of league standings and weekly newspaper reports. For performing these duties the Handicap Chairman will receive a stipend to be determined by the board prior to each golf season.
- Section 5 The Board of Directors (5) shall perform those duties that are assigned to them by the President.

ARTICLE 6 HANDICAPS AND SUBSTITUTIONS

- Section 1 Handicaps will be computed using the low 5 of last 7 scores.
 1 round = 80%
 2 rounds = 80%
 3 rounds = 90%
 4 rounds = 90%
 5 rounds = Average of all
- Section 2 Handicaps may be transferred from another course if certified by the Club Pro or Handicap Chairman from the course he is coming from.
- Section 3 A new player without a USGA handicap will receive a handicap based on 80% of the difference between his score and par.
- Section 4 The maximum of an (18) stroke handicap allowed for (9) holes of play.
- Section 5 Teams will be allowed to play substitutes from another team on a league night. Team rosters are limited to 10 players. Only players listed on the team roster will be allowed to play during the final three weeks of the season.

ARTICLE 7 SCORING

- Section 1 The scoring system shall consist of 40 points per match. One point shall be awarded to the player who wins the hole with a maximum of 9 points awarded. If the players tie a hole each receives ½ point. In addition, there shall be 4 points awarded to the team who wins team low net. The pairings for league play will be listed on your schedule. Pairings should be according to handicap. The players with the lowest handicap on each team will be playing each other and the second lowest handicap on each team will be playing each other, etc.
- Section 2 If a player fails to show and has no sub, the opposing player shall be awarded 6 points and the team shall receive the 4 points for low net regardless of the team score. If both teams play with less than 4 players, neither team shall receive the 4 points for low net.
- Section 3 Points awarded for a team forfeit will be 6 points per man. A full team would be awarded 24 points and their opponent 0 points.
- Section 4 Teams scheduled to golf on a given night must golf on that night. Failure to show up results in a forfeit (see Section 3 above).
- Section 5 Submitted score sheets will be correct and final.

ARTICLE 8 REGULAR SEASON

- Section 1 The season will run consecutive weeks beginning the first full week of May. Tee Time is 5:15 p.m. with a Shotgun Start. The final week may be a position round with the possibility of other position rounds during the season based on the number of teams.
- Section 2 Weather cancellations will be made as soon as possible. If any portion of the league is unable to finish their nine holes due to weather, the entire league will be considered to be rained out.

ARTICLE 9 PLAYOFFS

- Section 1 The league playoffs will be held after the completion of the league schedule on dates set by the Board. The playoff format will be as follows: the 1st and 2nd place teams from each league night qualify for the playoffs for a total of 6 teams. The remaining 2 wildcard teams will be determined by highest point average per night of play. Seeding will be determined by point average for nights played. The 1st place teams claim seeds 1 through 3. The 2nd place teams claim seeds 4 through 6. Wild card teams claim seeds 7 and 8. Playoff pairings will be as follows: #1 seed plays #8 seed; #2 seed plays #7 seed; #3 seed plays #6 seed; #4 seed plays #5 seed.
- Section 2 Only players listed on the team roster will be eligible for the playoffs.

- Section 3 SCORECARD TIEBREAKER FOR PLAYOFFS—Use the 1st, 5th, and 9th handicapped holes and calculate the team score for those three holes. If unable to break tie, continue with the 2nd ranked handicapped hole and continue one hole at a time skipping 5 to determine a winner.
- Section 4 Final league handicaps will be used throughout the playoffs unless a player has played less than 4 rounds. Handicap will be re-calculated as per Article 6 Section 1. After 4 rounds the handicap will be established during playoffs.

ARTICLE 10 RULES GOVERNING PLAY

- Section 1 The league shall consist of four-man teams with each team consisting of four individuals and a team roster not to exceed 10.
- Section 2 USGA golf rules apply.
- Section 3 The Rules and Regulations Committee (hereinafter “Committee”) shall consist of the President, Handicap Chairman, and the Club Pro. The Committee shall resolve all disputes concerning rules and their decision shall be final and unappealable.
- Section 4 We will play winter rules in the fairway and rough. (You are allowed to move your ball 6 inches to either side or away from the hole.) Play it as it lies in the hazards—mounds, waste areas (blue staked) and sand traps. If a sand trap is unplayable—move to playable area--rake and drop no closer to the hole within sand trap.
- Section 5 Giving putts—putt to par—teams will be allowed to give putts—to ensure fairness to all teams a good rule of thumb to follow is if the ball is inside the leather of the putter.
- Section 6 Players shall play from the white tees. Players that reach 65 years of age prior to August 31 of the current league season may play from the gold tees. A player may not change tees during the league season.
- Section 7 Teams scheduled to start on a given hole must start on that hole. It will not be permissible to back up and start on a different hole.
- Section 8 The Rules and Regulations Committee shall establish local rules for the golf league. These rules shall be posted.