

League Handicaps 2021

To begin the 2021 league season, players will use league handicaps established in 2020. From the beginning of the season until June 20th 2021, league handicaps will be computed by the commissioners using the league handicap rules.

Beginning June 20th, 2021, all league players will be required to have and maintain a USGA handicap index. Players that do not have an established WSGA/USGA handicap index will have their handicap calculated using the USGA rule 5.2a "Handicap Index Calculation."

Handicap rules can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.usga.org/handicapping/roh/2020-rules-of-handicapping.html>

5.2a For Fewer Than 20 Scores

A *Handicap Index* is calculated from the lowest *Score Differentials* in the *scoring record*. If a *scoring record* contains fewer than 20 *Score Differentials*, the table below is used to determine the number of *Score Differentials* to be included in the calculation and any adjustment that may apply. Round the result of the calculation to the nearest tenth.

Number of Score Differentials in scoring record	Score Differential(s) to be used in calculation of Handicap Index	Adjustment
3	Lowest 1	-2.0
4	Lowest 1	-1.0
5	Lowest 1	0
6	Average of lowest 2	-1.0
7 or 8	Average of lowest 2	0
9 to 11	Average of lowest 3	0
12 to 14	Average of lowest 4	0
15 or 16	Average of lowest 5	0
17 or 18	Average of lowest 6	0
19	Average of lowest 7	0
20	Average of lowest 8	0

Allocation of an Initial Handicap Index

Based on any additional evidence available about a player's demonstrated ability, a *Handicap Committee* may modify a player's initial *Handicap Index* upward or downward (see Rule [7.1a Conducting a Handicap Review and Adjusting a Handicap Index](#))