

Rolling Meadows Ladies Golf Association

2018 Tournament Format Explanations

Scramble: Everyone tees off each tee. All players then proceed to the best drive. From the best drive, everyone hits again and proceeds to the best lie, continuing until the ball is in the cup. The one gross score of the group is recorded.

Individual Gross/Net: Best gross scores and best net scores are awarded per flight.

NOTE: Members will only be eligible to win prizes based upon GROSS scores until a handicap is established.

Best 5 Holes: (for 9-hole tourneys) your **5 best gross** scores are used for scoring.

Best 14 Holes: (for 18-hole tourneys) your **14 best gross** scores are used for scoring.

Mystery Holes: Mark scorecard with gross score...that is all we can tell you since it is a mystery!

Shamble: Everyone tees off. Team proceeds to the best drive. Each person then plays his or her own ball all the way into the cup. Mark scorecard with gross and net scores.

Inter Club Match: Match play with the men's club, women against men. Enough said!

Opens: Any female guest may play; she does not have to be a paid member. Check schedule!

Fewest Putts: Mark down total score AND the number of putts you have on each hole. Fewest putts wins!

No Putts: No Putts is the opposite of Fewest Putts. In No Putts the winner is determined by all strokes *other* than putts. At the end of the round, subtract the number of putts from the total strokes. In No Putts, putts just don't count!

6-6-6: Two person or four-person teams, holes will be assigned in three different contests of play, for example: teams would play holes 1-6 in a scramble format, holes 7-12 teams would alternate OR rotate shots so each/every person has a stroke at the ball in the predetermined order finally holes 13-18 played in a "best ball" format from which each of team member would play their own ball and the best score on that hole would be counted

MORE TO COME....and subject to change

2018 Rolling Meadows Ladies Golf Association (RMLGA)

Rules and Regulations

First and foremost, the current rules of the USGA will be the guiding light for your golf play. Special course rules and conditions will be applied wherever applicable. The course owners determine the greens fee, cart prices and local rules as applicable.

I. GENERAL RULES

1. In order for any 9-hole or 18-hole round to be official, you must play **with at least one** other member of the RMLGA. You will be given a roster of all association members and their contact information. Please do not list guests on scorecards turned in for tournament play. Not all members of the group need to play the tournament, however the tournament player's card needs to be attested (signed) by another RMLGA member in the group.
2. All weekly nine-hole and eighteen-hole tournaments must be played between course opening on Thursdays and course closing on Sundays. All eighteen-hole tournaments must be completed on the same day.
3. On occasion, weekly tournaments may be cancelled when participation is low. Refunds for paid tournament fees will be returned to the member in the form of Golf Shop Chits. If applicable, scores will be reviewed and counted for Ringers. Round will count towards the Club Championship and NET Championship eligibility.
4. A minimum of 25 women must participate in the 9 and/or 18 weekly tournament in order for the tournament to receive the **\$50.00 RMLGA subsidy**. If this does not occur, the winners will receive chits according to only the weekly tournament fees collected.
5. When a special event tournament is held on a particular weekend, the **\$50.00 RMLGA subsidy** will go to that event.
6. LOCAL RULE – ***always check with Pro Shop upon check-in for additions***
150 yard pole (refer to Rule 24: Obstructions) – The 150 yard pole is considered a Movable Obstruction (24-1) so if it is in your way, you can move the pole without penalty. Of course, replace it! If your ball hits the pole, play it as it lies. If the pole and/or its base impede your swing, you may take relief as an Immovable Obstruction (24-2). Player may move the pole, take full relief, without penalty, at nearest point, then one club length no nearer the hole. (Since this is a Local rule, it may not apply at any other courses).
7. LOCAL RULE
Preferred lie in the fairway only (per RMLGA only) – If your ball is in the fairway of the hole that you are playing, you may roll your ball over within a **club head** of its location. This rule will apply throughout the entire year, including the Club Championship and NET Championship tournaments. (Since this is a Local rule, it may not apply at any other courses).

8. LOCAL RULE

Red-staked areas – woods left of 1st tee until cart path cut through and left side woods on hole 9

– Play as red stake rules

9. **Etiquette:** From the Rules of Golf. Behavior on the Course is defined as “the overriding principle is that consideration should be shown to others on the course at all times. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship always, irrespective of how competitive they may be. This is the spirit of the game of golf.”

II. WEEKEND TEE TIMES

1. The RMLGA has available tee times for league play on Saturdays and Sundays starting at approximately 9:30 am. Members may sign up for these tee times **two weeks in advance**. Weekend allotted tee times are for 18-hole tournament play ONLY. You may, however, play 18 holes during these weekend tee times and use your front nine score for the 9-hole tournament. Nine-hole tournaments will be played on the front nine holes exclusively. Participants **MUST** choose whether they are playing in the 9 or 18-hole tournament **PRIOR** to beginning the round in the tournament sign-in book.
2. To sign up in advance, call (860) 870-5328 or sign-up in the Tee Times book located in the Golf Shop. You can sign up as an individual or as a group and members will be added to complete groups for tournament play. Usually Mondays prior to that weekend’s play, the Golf Shop will e-mail confirmation of your tee time. On Thursdays, IF there is a change to the tee-times you will be notified by e-mail. It is **YOUR** responsibility to know if your tee-time has changed, you can also call the golf shop to confirm.
3. If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled tee time to play on Saturday, the Golf Shop **MUST BE NOTIFIED by Friday morning**. If you are unable to fulfill your scheduled tee time to play on Sunday, the Golf Shop **MUST BE NOTIFIED by Saturday morning**. RMLGA members who are habitual “no-shows” may incur penalty fees and/or tournament exclusion.

III. TOURNAMENT RULES

1. Members may play in both the 9-hole and the 18-hole tournaments anytime during the Thursday – Sunday timeframe. A member can win prizes in both tournaments. Players may not win more than one prize within one tournament. For example, if you play in the 18-hole tournament Saturday and play in the 18-hole tournament again Sunday, only your best 18-hole score will be considered for prizes in that event. Each tournament entry must be a separate round of golf; i.e., the front nine of your 18-hole tourney score **IS NOT** eligible for the 9-hole tourney if signed up for the 18-hole tournament.
2. If you are playing in the Saturday and/or Sunday morning reserved tee times, you **must** participate in the weekly tournament

IV. TOURNAMENT FEES

1. Each time that you play a tournament the cost is \$5.00. The \$5.00 tournament fee is used for weekly prizes presented in the form of Golf Shop credits (CHITS). These CHITS are honored through the end of November for each season in which they are won. You must check in and pay in the Golf Shop prior to playing your tournament round.
2. **The \$5.00 fees are nonrefundable unless the course closes during play due to inclement weather.** In this case, your fee will be refunded to you as a CHIT. An attempt should be made to fulfill your commitment if the weather is inclement. If the course is still open but a RMLGA officer deems that the conditions are not fit to play golf, tournament play will be canceled that day and your fee will be refunded to you in the form of a CHIT.

V. PROCEDURE FOR RECORDING TOURNAMENT PLAY

1. Every member participating in the weekly tournament must sign in the RMLGA TOURNAMENT SIGN-IN notebook located in the Golf Shop BEFORE the start of the round. Note the date, your full name, and either 9 or 18 hole tournament.
2. During round, at least two players will record all scores for the group. Scores will be compared and attested. At least two players must sign and date the card.
***** Include first initial and full last names of all players (no nicknames) *****
3. After the round, participants are responsible to record individual scores on the large scoring sheet in the scoring hut between the 1st and 18th holes. **Include first initial, full last name, date, and score according to the tournament format that week.**
4. Refer to the listing of handicaps posted next to the large scoring sheet. Always use the "Course Handicap" (C.H.) when calculating NET scores, not the Handicap Index (H.I.).
5. After posting on the large scoring sheet, hand in course scorecards to the Golf Shop desk.

If the above steps are not followed, you will be disqualified with no refund of \$5 fee.

VI. CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

To participate in the Club Championship, you must have played a minimum of five (5) RMLGA tournaments. Both 9- and 18-hole tournaments count towards this requirement. A current GHIN handicap index must be established and active for the member's participation. During Club Championship weekend, preferred weekend tee times will not be available for the regular tournament event.

VII. SCORING AND HANDICAP ADJUSTMENTS

1. The RMLGA utilizes the United States Golf Association (USGA) Handicap System. To adjust your scores; use the chart below to determine your maximum score per hole (if applicable) when noting your **final adjusted** score on the official **scorecard**. Please circle your adjusted score.

The following chart will not apply until your handicap is established. These same adjustments will apply to your per hole scores from play at any USGA rated golf course. See Pro Shop for assistance in posting scores from other courses.

<u>If your 18 hole COURSE Handicap is:</u>	<u>Maximum score PER HOLE is:</u>
9 or less	Double bogey
10 through 19	7
20 through 29	8
30 through 39	9
40 through 42 (RMLGA maximum)	10

2. DO NOT ADJUST YOUR SCORES ON THE **LARGE SCORING SHEET**. Your actual scores (*not adjusted scores*) will be used for awarding weekly prizes.
3. Due to pace of play, RMLGA maximum stroke is 10 per hole. If you reach 10 before putting the ball into the cup and you are slowing up play, you must pick up your ball and mark a 10 for the hole. **NOTE: For the Club Championship and NET Championship tournaments, you must play your ball all the way into the hole regardless of the stroke count. Check with Pro Shop in regard to other association tournaments as needed.**
4. To establish a handicap, players have at least **five** 18-hole rounds posted on GHIN.com. The rounds can be a combination of 18-hole rounds and/or 9-hole rounds. For example, if you play and post four (4) 9-hole rounds and three (3) 18-hole rounds, your handicap will be established. Scores can be entered from rounds played at any golf course with a USGA Course Rating and Slope Rating. See Golf Shop for assistance in posting any scores from other courses. Members will only be eligible to win prizes (CHITS) based upon your GROSS score until a handicap is established.