

Thursday Night 40 and Over League Rules

Approved at captains meeting April 23rd 2026

Commissioners Note:

Rule #1: This is a fun league and while it is a competition, let us not forget that golf is a gentlemen's game and we should play our matches in that spirit.

All changes to league rules and items to be voted on will be made by a majority in favor vote of Captains in attendance at the captains meeting.

Official Men's Club League

This is a Nemadji Men's Golf Club (NMGC) sponsored league and as such, all competitors must purchase a Men's Club membership card. The league commissioner is an agent of the NMGC board and rules on all grievances. Commissioner rulings can be appealed to the NMGC board of directors who have the final say.

Teams and Fees

Teams from the previous year will have priority for participation in the league during the next year provided they have paid their team fees prior to the captains' meeting call to order. New teams will be approved for participation by a majority vote of the captains.

The fee for each team is \$100.00. As an NMGC sponsored league, 100% of team fees will be distributed as Nemadji Gift Certificates back to the league commissioner for award at the end of the season. The commissioner receives a stipend from the NMGC general fund to run the league.

Team Fee Distribution

Each year league captains or their designee who attend the first captains' meeting vote to use team fees to fund a year end banquet. Payback of available fees will be as follows:

Example: 16 teams with no banquet - total purse \$1600)

Season Championship team will receive \$100. Balance will be paid in playoffs.

Playoff payout:

1 st	40% (\$600.00)
2 nd	30% (\$450.00)
3 rd	20% (\$300.00)
4 th – Consolation champions	10% (\$150.00)

All Payouts will be in form of Nemadji gift cards

Match Schedule

The league plays on Thursdays after 3pm. The league start date and tee times will be voted on at the captains' meeting. The golf course administration will accommodate our request for tee times but has the right to adjust the tee times as needed however, typically tee times begin at 4:00 pm and run consecutively for all matches.

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Teams may play earlier than their scheduled tee time with full agreement between captains or may switch tee times with other teams with similar agreements. All matches for a given week must be completed by Thursday of the week, in which they were scheduled to allow handicaps and standings to be calculated.

Match Cancellations

Matches may be cancelled for any of the following reasons:

- The golf course determines the need to cancel either before or during scheduled matches or,
- The commissioner cancels all matches for reasons not covered or,
- A majority of team captains or their designee contact the commissioner before 3pm to request that matches be cancelled or,
- When 50% or more matches result in the splitting of all or some points (note that all matches are considered cancelled even if some teams have completed some or all of their round)

Matches will be made up if provided for in the approved league schedule in order of the first date of cancellation.

Note: Teams that do not play matches by their own decision are “no- shows” and will be assessed penalty points as defined in the rules. Please don’t put the league in that position.

Players and Tees

Players must be 40 years old before the first scheduled match for the season to be eligible.

Players age 40 – 64 White tees

Players age 65 – 69 Green White

Players age 70 and over, Green.

Players must choose which tee box they are playing from and use that box the entire season.

The only exception would be if a player turns of age that allows them to use a new tee box. If

they decide to use the new tee box, they must use it for the remainder of the season. GHIN

App will be used to calculate handicaps in reference to all tee boxes.

Scoring

Using designated handicaps, 9 match play points and 2 medal play points for a total of 11 points per match. Medal Points are calculated using total strokes per player.

Each team will receive 10 points to start the season if they attend the captains meeting.

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Penalty Points

The League Commissioner will rule on circumstances not covered. Defined penalty circumstances are as follows:

Penalty Circumstance	Penalty
Team No Show	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The offending team's opponent receives 28 points.• The absent team is assessed an 16-point deduction. Note: Opponent players may go out and play.
1 Player shows up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The lone player plays a double match against two of their opponents. In that match, the single player will forfeit medal points in one of the matches (to be determined before the match begins).• In the other match, the offending team's opponents receive 14 points, and the offending team is assessed a 8-point deduction Note: Opponent players may go out and play.
2 Players show up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Each player plays a double match against two of their opponents. The single players forfeit medal points in one of the matches (to be determined before the match begins).
3 Players show up	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The single player plays a double match forfeiting medal points in one of the matches (to be determined before the match begins).
Leave Early/Arrive Late	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• If a player needs to leave a match early, they forfeit medal points and the remaining match points.• Players arriving after the match has started can only join a double match and can compete for remaining match points but forfeit medal points. Match points generated prior to the arrival are forfeited.• In both cases, player's scores for that round will not be used for handicap purposes.

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Handicap Calculations

- Players scores from the previous year carry over to the new year
- There is no maximum number of strokes that a player may take on any given hole for point play. Concessions are allowed via mutual agreement of opponents.
- Final scores will be adjusted to net double max per hole for handicap calculations.
- Handicaps will be based on NMGC bylaws and WSGA
- If a Player has NH (No Handicap), they will be allowed to play but will play as a 0 until their handicap is established.

Handicap Errors

It is each player's responsibility to verify the calculated handicap prior to the start of the match. If an error is discovered and the opponents can't agree on the appropriate handicap for the match, a note should be attached to the score sheet along with a legible score card and the commissioner will decide the action and notify the captains of each team. Errors can also be submitted in writing to the Peer-to-Peer Handicap committee for review.

If a player does not enter their score on the GHIN App, the captain will be notified, and that player will need to enter their score. This first infraction will be a warning. Any additional infractions from any player on that team will be an 8-point penalty for each infraction.

Rules

The league abides by USGA and local course rules including the winter rules provision. The league has established a "Sand" rule that allows for a ball lying in footprints, animal track other man-made depressions in a sand trap to be lifted, raked and placed in the same spot with no penalty.

Playoff Bracket

If league does not have 16 teams, top seeds from the season will receive 1st round bye.

