

# WHY YOU SHOULD GET A USGA HANDICAP?



## 1. High Scores Are Forgotten

Do you ever have a day on the course where you forget how to swing a golf club? What's great is that the USGA handicap formula only counts your 10 best scores from your last 20 rounds.

For some, the idea of a handicap may not seem right because of inconsistent scoring. Luckily, there is no need to worry with only those 10 best scores of the last 20 scores being used to calculate your handicap.

## 2. You Will Finally Have an Answer to the Question Every Golfer Gets

Every time you meet someone new on the golf course, there is one question that almost always gets asked: What is your handicap?

I got this question all the time throughout high school and college and I never had an answer. This past year, I finally went ahead and registered for a handicap and was able to give an honest answer.

Having a handicap is the easiest and most honest way to compare your golf game to other players. Whether just for judgement or for competitive purposes, it's a good tool to have.

## 3. All the Easier to Set Goals

Setting goals is something everyone does in life. Sometimes it is to work out more or maybe it is to eat 50 chicken nuggets in one sitting at McDonalds (I got to about 40 nuggets when I tried this).

It is no different in golf, setting goals is the easiest way to try and improve your game. And without goals, it is hard to make meaningful steps forward.

When you have a handicap, setting goals is even easier. Let's say you are a 24 handicap, your goal for this season could be to get below a 20. Or, if you are a 12 handicap, perhaps your goal should be to get to a single-digit handicap. No matter what your handicap is, the motivation to get it lower will prove to be a difference maker.

## **4. Handicaps Keep the Game Fair for Everyone**

Have you ever played someone in golf that you could never beat because he is a much better golfer? The best way to make those matches fair, is to handicap those matches. It allows the good golfer and bad golfer to play on an equal playing level.

## **5. A Handicap Is Typically Required to Play in Most Tournaments**

It is required to have a USGA handicap to be able to participate in certain tournaments, events, leagues and other golf competitions. This way, every player / team has a fair chance to compete with the other participants.

It is also required to have a handicap to play in the Fairways Four Ball Championship. More info regarding that is coming soon!

## **6. It Is Easy to Record and Keep Track of Your Scores**

The easiest way to plug in and keep track of your scores when you have a handicap is to get the free GHIN Mobile app on your phone. On this app, you can post a score and also see your stats.

Also at WGC, we have a computer in the clubhouse that is there for you to plug in your score after your round. You are building a database of your scores when you have a handicap. So if you want to go back and see what scores you were putting up last May, all you have to do is go on the app or the computer at WGC to see that.

## **7. It's Affordable!**

You are probably asking these questions:

How much does it cost? Is it expensive? Is it worth it?

The answer is that it is super cheap to get a handicap \$55.00 or \$50.00 for League Players

When it comes to getting a USGA Handicap, the benefits far outweigh the cost. Get yours today at Worcester Golf Club... you will be glad you did!