

## CALCULATING HANDICAPS

1. We are using the Golf Software program Custom Handicapping Mode because the USGA calculation uses the lowest 8 out of 20 scores to calculate a handicap index.
2. With the ABQSGA only accumulating a maximum of 10 scores per year, it takes at least 1 year to meet the full requirements if all tournaments are played.
3. By using the Custom handicapping mode, no index is produced, only a handicap. This is why players need to play from their preferred tee box throughout the whole year. It is not possible to generate a handicap for different tee boxes without a handicap index. If players use a different tee box they will not have a valid handicap for the tournament.
4. Using the custom handicapping mode and using 10 scores (which should cover a year), the system calculates handicaps based on the lowest 4 out of 10 scores following the parameters listed below.

A) Handicap percentage – 96%

B Number of scores handicap is based on – Lowest 4 out of 10

C) Two scores are needed before a handicap can be calculated using the handicap program.

D) For new members the handicap chairman will assign a handicap based on an existing handicap index or the latest 10 scores if available.

Players without either will be eligible to win after 2 rounds.

E) Below is the schedule for the number of scores recorded and scores discarded:

NUMBER OF SCORES RECORDED	DISCARDED HIGHEST SCORES
2	1
3	2
4	2
5	2
6	3
7	3
8	4
9	5
10	6

5. In calculating handicaps, your latest score will be posted and the oldest either discarded or

remain on the score list if you do not have the total of 10 scores yet.

6. Upon re-enrollment, if you have not recorded 10 scores for the year, your scores will be carried over to the new year to a maximum of 10 scores.

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