

RULES IBEW 595 AND FRIENDS

1. We play by USGA rules. Local course rules have precedent. All course out of bounds, including in course boundaries, will be observed. This means all putts must be holed out “no gimmies” and lost balls are the same as an OB ball.
2. Play of the day will be posted on the men’s first tee. If not posted, play the ball down (Summer Rules). The club traditionally plays men’s white tees and women’s red tees, unless notified by the tournament chairman prior to the competition. Summer rules: play the ball down. Winter Rules: Lift Clean & Place in your Fairway thru the green only, within 12 inches, except in a defined/ marked Hazard. (For this rule a Fairway is defined as the closely-mown area through the green and the 2nd Cut edge of the green.) Before lifting, the ball position must be marked. The player must then place the ball one time within 12 inches of the mark no closer to the hole & not in a hazard or on a putting green. "If the player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, the player will incur a penalty of one stroke".
3. You must sign your scorecard and turn it in to the tournament or handicap chairman before you leave. If you do not, you may be disqualified. Scorecards for Match Play and NCGA qualifiers must be signed and attested.
4. If during a club round you are DQed, you are still be eligible for closest to the flagstick on all par threes.
5. X-Outs, if you are made to X-Out on a hole because of slow play and or because a course marshal has asked you to move to the next hole you should mark down X and score max equitable stroke + 1. Max equitable stroke is a net double bogey, equal to double bogey plus any handicap strokes you are entitled to receive based on your Course Handicap. Example if you get 1 pop on the hole, for a par 3 your max equitable stroke score entered is 6 + 1 would be X7 and on a par 5 it would be X9. Note suspension of play X-Outs are different then slow play X-Outs.
6. Blow up scores on a hole, if your score has surpassed double Par + 1 you should mark down X and mark double Par + 1 and pick up your ball. This rule is to prevent excessive high scores and to help reduce slow play. Example for a par 3 entered score would be X7 and on a par 5 it would be X11.
7. If during a round, you and your group cannot decide on a ruling, play two balls for that hole, record the score for both balls, then get a ruling from the golf course or from one of the tournament officials at the end of your round.
8. Protests: any scoring protests will be addressed by the handicap committee.
9. You must have a NCGA index to be eligible for club prizes and awards. All prizes use net score, unless notified by the tournament chairman prior to competition. (excluding hole in one and closest to the flagstick contests).
10. The Club will give out awards for closest to the flagstick for each par three. The Tournament Chairman, with prior notice, reserves the right to change tournament format and awards for said tournaments.
11. Gross and Net skins will be allowed as side-pot bets, providing we have volunteers to collect, determine winners, and distribute awards after tournaments have been completed.
12. Guests are eligible for closest to the flagstick unless notified by the tournament chairman prior to the competition.
13. You have until the closing date (fees due date) that we post in the schedule to sign up for a tournament. After that, we will take people only to fill partial groups. You are responsible for finding your own replacement if you are signed up for a tournament and can’t make it. If you get in touch with us, sometimes we have someone on a waiting list for the tournament. Tournament refunds for no-shows are determined by course contract.

14. Tee it Forward (TIF) is based on a points system, if you add the players age and handicap together and if it equals 85 points then you can TIF if you want. TIF may not be available at all courses, tees must be rated for TIF by the NCGA.
15. Pace of play is always an issue; it is especially important that your group keep pace with the group in front of you. If you hit a ball into area that will make it difficult to find your ball, declare and hit a provisional. However, the Tournament Chairman can declare a Savanna rule prior to a start of a tournament. The Savanna rule is never in effect for NCGA qualifiers. See rule 6 on X-Outs if your hole total score is greater than double Par + 1.