

Men's Players League Handbook

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1. Mission Statement

- The Men's Players League is comprised of male golfers age 18 and older. Our purpose is to bring together like-minded golfers for the enjoyment of some light-hearted competition. We hope to bring golfers together at all levels of skill for camaraderie and fellowship. We play a weekly 9-hole round on Monday evenings at The Oaks Golf Links.

2. Membership

- League membership is open to all golfers that meet the age limitation. A CandiaOaks Membership is not a prerequisite for membership in the league, however, current members have priority over non-members should there be a need to limit membership **NOT TO MENTION YOU'LL SAVE ON GREENS FEES AND CART FEES AS A MEMBER!** Also, in the event that all applicants to the league cannot be accommodated, prior year league members will have priority over new applicants.
- League membership requires payment of annual dues (Registration Fee) determined by The Oaks Golf Links. All fees are clearly listed below.
- Leaguers will be required to pay greens fees prior to each round in the golf shop or paying online.
- Prospective league members must register with The Oaks no later than 4/17/2017.

2017 Men's Player's League Registration Fees:

All League Registration Fees Include:

- Weekly Greens Fees
 - Weekly Prizes
 - Year-End Prizes & Banquet (not held on same day as ladies banquet this year!)
 - 2017 USGA GHIN Handicap
- This is a Pre-Payment League

[Click Here to see fees](#)

Weekly Greens Fee and Optional Cart Fee:

Traditional Members Optional Riding Cart \$8

Evergreen Members Optional Riding Cart \$8

Public / Non-Member Optional Riding Cart \$10

Mail-in Entry Form & On-Line Sign Up Link On Last Page Of Handbook

3. League Structure / Schedule

- This is an Individual scoring league.

April 24- Stroke Play Qualifying

June 26- Week 7

May 1- Stroke Play Qualifying	July 3- Bye Week Fourth of July
May 8- Week 1	July 10- Week 8
May 15- Week 2	July 17- Week 9
May 22- Week 3	July 24- Week 10
May 29- Bye Week Memorial Day	July 31- Week 11
June 5- Week 4	August 7- Week 12
June 12- Week 5	August 14- Week 13 Playoffs
	August 21- Week 14 Playoffs & Banquet
June 19- Week 6	August 28- Playoff & Banquet Rain Date, Used only if needed.

4. Scoring Format

- Quota points are earned during the round by scoring:
 - 1 point for bogey
 - 2 points for par
 - 4 points for birdie
 - 8 points for eagle
 - 0 points for double bogey or worse
- Your quota is based on your average 9 hole league score, and adjusted every week.
- An average score of 54 is the max. – This means 0 quota and it increases from there.
- Triple bogey is the max score allowed per hole used when calculating the average score.
- Your running quota score beginning on week 1 will determine the winners and losers. See prizes below.

5. Rules of Play

- Teeing Ground: The White or Blue Tees may be played – Ages 65 and older play from The Green Tees. Golfers must select their designated teeing ground before each season begins.
- All play will be governed by the USGA Rules of Golf except as listed below:
- Preferred lies, up to 12" no nearer the hole, are permitted in the fairway of the hole being played.
- All wooded areas are considered hazards and any ball lost in those areas will be played as a ball in a hazard IAW USGA Rule 26b.
- The Oaks Golf Links has the option to invoke a local rule at their discretion
- Disputes arising on the course should be resolved before teeing off on the next hole whenever possible. If necessary, a second ball could be played and both scores recorded until an official ruling can be made.
- Leaguers are responsible for posting all league rounds no later than 48 hours after each round. If you are found not to be posting league rounds you may be subject to a 4 point addition of quota.
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6. Rain Out / Inclement Weather

- The Golf Professional on-duty has final say on canceling or continuing a round.
- If the "Lightning" Air Horn sounds all golfers must immediately return to the club house or seek nearby shelter.
- Golfer cannot re-start the round until Ok'd by on-duty Golf Professional.
- If the 1st delay is 45 minutes or less the round will continue

- Those who do not go back onto the course to complete the round are disqualified for that round's quota prizes.
- If the 1st delay is LONGER than 45 minutes the round will be cancelled and a free 9-hole round will be credited to only those who did not complete the round.
- If there is a 2nd delay the round will be cancelled. A Free 9-hole round will be credited to only those who did not complete the round.

7. Equitable Stroke Control

- The league is primarily a quota league, but players are required to post their scores for handicap purposes.
- Players will continue play on each hole until they've reached their ESC limit for handicap purposes. Beyond that there is no need to continue play in the interest of speedy play.
- ESC sets a limit to the number of strokes a player can take on a hole depending on Course Handicap. Apply ESC to all scores, including tournament scores. Below is the maximum number a player can take:

<u>9 Hole Course Handicap</u>	<u>Maximum Number</u>
4 or less	Double Bogey
5 - 9	8
10 - 18	9

8. Prizes (5 ways to win)

- Winning will be awarded in the form of Golf Shop Credit.
- **Weekly Prize** - Weekly Individual prizes for high quota will be awarded (total number of weekly payouts depends on # of participants).
- **Weekly Prize** - Weekly Closest To The Pin (2) each week
- **Mid-Season Prize** - 1st and 2nd Place prizes will be issued to the golfers with the highest quota score for weeks 1 thru 6– tie breaker, total quota over weeks 4, 5 & 6
- **End-Season Prize** - 1st and 2nd Place prizes will be issued to the golfers with the highest quota score from week 7 thru 12– tie breaker, total quota over weeks 10, 11 & 12
- If the same person wins each 1st place payout, he will receive the payout, and the next golfer in the rankings will get that playoff spot.
- **Overall Champion Prize** - The Overall League Champion will be crowned during play offs weeks 13 & 14.

9. Tee Times*

- Our league plays 9 holes each week with tee times starting at 4:00pm. Groups go out every 9 minutes. 4:09, 4:18, 4:27, 4:36, 4:44, 4:53, 5:02, 5:11, 5:20, & 5:29 pm.
- After the first week leaguers must sign up for their tee time for the following week. This sign up list will be posted on the golf shop counter. If you forget to sign up or you miss a week please call the golf shop 603-692-6257 ext: 1.
- If the weather and course maintenance allows, leaguers will alternate teeing off from side to side each week.
- *Any un-used tee times will be release to public play beginning 48 hours before tee off.

10. Substitutes / Make Up Rounds

- Substitutes are not allowed.
- Un-like in year's past, no free make-up rounds will be offered because this is not a pre-paid league.
- Golfers are responsible for paying standard 9 hole league greens fees prior to teeing off.
- In order for a make-up rounds quota to count towards your running total, the proper side of the course (front or back 9) must be played. Example: you missed Monday and league played the back 9... this means your make-up round has to be played on the back 9**.
- ** The Oaks cannot guarantee to offer the side you need to play. Please call ahead to see what we can do.

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