



SOUTHERN NATAL NOMADS HANDICAP CHECK PROCEDURE

The purpose of this notice is to outline the procedure for submission of your gross scores from a Nomads game played, into the NATIONAL GOLF NETWORK system.

The National Chairman instructed each Nomads Club countrywide to institute handicap checks to ensure that Nomads are recording golf scores at their respective clubs for handicapping purposes. This was in response to irregularities in handicaps at the Bloemfontein national tournament.

The **Southern Natal committee** determined that the following procedure will be employed:

- That a minimum of four random members per month would have their SAGA handicaps checked to ensure that scores are entered at their club.
- That if a score is entered that is higher than they actually shot a 2 shot cut will be imposed.
- That if a Nomad score is not entered the Nomad will automatically have 2 shots deducted from his Nomad's handicap.
- That if any other discrepancy is found by any other member it must be reported to the Committee for due process.
- That if any other discrepancy is found regarding non-submission of club games the members Club will be informed.
- That the handicaps must only be checked within 7 days before the next monthly game, therefore the Members have nearly three weeks (minimum of two weeks) to enter their scores.
- That no Nomads game can be included in the check unless it was played more than 14 days prior to the date of the check.
- That it is the Members responsibility to update their score with the club at which they are handicapped. This can take place either by entering the score into the computer at the course played, by e-mail, fax or phone to the handicapper of their home club. It is suggested that the communication be in writing and a copy be forwarded to the Nomads Secretary.

Please note that it is the Members responsibility to make sure that you check to see that your score has appeared on the NGN network. Remember that you have until 8 days before the next monthly game. If it does not appear on the NGN network by that time the check will be effected regardless. You need to check to see that the date, course and rating are correct. You can check your NGN status by following this link

<http://www.handicaps.co.za/>

Further, there is a NGN score calculator on the Southern Natal Monthly Draw website page, you enter your points scored, handicap of the day and the par of the course played, your gross that needs to be entered into the NGN network is then calculated automatically. All the courses we play and their par's are also listed for your information.

APPEAL PROCESS

The Committee has instituted an appeal process, details of which follow:

- **That no discussion regarding a cut will be entered into at the monthly game.**
- The player may then write to the Secretary appealing the cut.
- The grounds of appeal must be clearly laid out.
- The appeal will be heard by the committee at the next meeting.
- The person responsible for the handicap Check will produce the information specific to the appeal.
- The committee will decide upon the appeal and its decision will be binding.
- The result of the monthly game will stand regardless of the outcome of the appeal.
- The member may only request that his handicap be adjusted back should the appeal be successful. His playing handicap and all related annual competitions will be adjusted accordingly.
- Only one appeal per Member playing year will be allowed.
- No appeal will be allowed for the non submission of a score.

The handicap check function has now been handed over to another Nomads Member. The Committee has determined that this should be an anonymous position and accordingly we urge Members to exercise restraint should they arrive at the monthly game to find out they have been cut. They are urged to determine the reason for the cut, check that they are not at fault and then use the laid down appeal process to seek remedy.

By order: Captain and Committee 2008