

## SAHUARO WGA STANDING RULES 10-23

- Members will play to a maximum course handicap of 40 for regular play days and 36 for tournaments.
- All ties will be broken according to USGA recommendation for both regular play days and tournaments unless play day game format precludes using this format.
- Club Championship will be flighted. Winner may come from any flight.
- On play days when low gross is “game of the day”, pairings will be by handicap.
- In order to speed up play, golfers need to move to the next tee box before marking score.
- On hole #13, lead group moves tee markers to forward tee if placed on wrong tee box. The correct place to tee from on hole #13 is always the forward tee even if markers are at back tee.
- Prospective members will be paired with at least one Board Member according to the week’s pairing plan, whereas a guest will be placed at end of field.
- Handicap Committee will determine “Most Improved” award by using the USGA Most Improved Report. To be eligible one must be a member of SWGA at the beginning of the season and have played a minimum of 10 play days. Calculations will be based on the handicap index report that is being used for the first play day running to the last handicap revision prior to awards day.
- Treasury balance, excluding escrow amount should be no more than \$25 at end of year. All gift certificates purchased during current year should be dispersed.
- Play days will be canceled if the course is closed OR carts are not allowed.
- Cell phones should be put on vibrate and only used for emergency calls. Cell phone golf GPS apps and other GPS devices may be used. Equipment measuring elevation changes may not be used, per rule 4.3.
- During a regular weekly play day, if the game is one that involves all 18 holes, a player shall be disqualified if she does not complete all holes. In a game that involves only certain holes or one set of nine holes (e.g. “T and F”, “Best Nine”, etc.), if the player a) completes all the holes involved in the game AND b) completes at least 14 holes, then she shall remain in the competition and her 18-hole score shall be posted in the GHIN system.
- On hole 11, *unless marked by the course*, you must play the ball as it lies in the sandy wash area. You are welcome to take an “unplayable lie”, with a one stroke penalty and one of the three relief options. If the ball is in a clearly visible tire track you may take free relief by finding your nearest point of relief and dropping *within one club length* no closer to the pin.