

2019-2020 Rules of Handicapping Quiz

This quiz is open book; you are welcome to use any resource materials. A score of at least 80% is required to satisfy the club authorization requirement.

- 1. (see Slide #12) The Course Rating System serves as the foundation for the World Handicap System. The Course Rating System does all the following, except:
 - a. Considers the playing length of the golf course.
 - b. Considers the obstacles and challenges that a golfer encounters playing the course.
 - c. Only accounts for the playing difficulty of a golf course for scratch golfers under normal course and weather conditions.
 - d. Addresses the portability of handicaps by adjusting a player's Handicap Index according to the relative difficulty of the golf course being played.
- 2. (see Slide #30) A score is not acceptable for handicap purposes when played:
 - a. In a Foursomes (alternate shot) competition.
 - b. In an authorized format of play.
 - c. By the Rules of Golf.
 - d. In a Stableford competition where participants play from different tees.
 - e. With at least one other player.
 - f. On a course with a current Course Rating and Slope Rating.
- 3. (see Slide #37) Which of the following elements are not used to calculate a Score Differential?
 - a. Adjusted gross score
 - b. Bogey Rating
 - c. Course Rating
 - d. PCC adjustment
 - e. Slope Rating
- 4. (see Slides #43-44) Which of the following are true regarding the Exceptional Score Reduction procedure?
 - a. A reduction can be applied based on a single exceptional score.
 - b. An exceptional score is only valid for 12 months.
 - c. The procedure considers all scores, not just those from tournaments.
 - d. Reductions for multiple exceptional scores are applied cumulatively.
 - e. The adjustment is limited to -1, regardless of the difference between the Score Differential and the Handicap Index from when the round was played.
 - f. A, C, and D.

- 5. (see Slide #42) All the following are true regarding the Playing Conditions Calculation, except:
 - a. It includes acceptable scores submitted by all players, regardless of Handicap Index.
 - b. It considers acceptable scores submitted on a golf course on a specific day, including all rated tees and both genders.
 - c. It requires at least eight acceptable scores.
 - d. It is conservative in nature and any adjustments will be in integer values.
- 6. (see Slide #56) Which of the following are true with respect to a Handicap Committee adjusting a player's Handicap Index?
 - a. It can adjust the Handicap Index by any amount.
 - b. It cannot adjust the Handicap Index.
 - c. It can reset the Handicap Index by applying an adjustment to each of the most recent 20 Score Differentials.
 - d. It can freeze the Handicap Index for a defined period of time.
 - e. B and C.
 - f. C and D.
- 7. (see Slide #32) For an 18-hole score to be acceptable for handicap purposes, a minimum of 14 holes must be played.
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 8. (see Slide #20) The Course Handicap adjusted for any Handicap Allowances or Terms of the Competition, which represents the actual number of strokes the player gives or receives for the round being played, is called the:
 - a. Competition Handicap
 - b. Playing Handicap
 - c. Handicap Index
 - d. Adjusted Course Handicap
- 9. (see Slides #62-66) The Committee in charge of the Competition cannot:
 - a. Set a maximum Handicap Index for entry into the competition.
 - b. Set a maximum Course Handicap for use in the competition.
 - c. Modify the Handicap Index of a player.
 - d. Adjust a player's Playing Handicap for a specific round of the competition.

- 10. (see Slide #68) Which of the following statements are true?
 - a. A player may be a member of multiple golf clubs and can have more than one Handicap Index.

- b. If a player is a member of multiple golf clubs, then they must designate a Home Club.
- c. A player must have only one Handicap Index.
- d. A player's Home Club, and the corresponding AGA, have authority should issues arise concerning a player's Handicap Index.
- e. Other golf clubs to which a player is a member are not involved in the oversight of a player's Handicap Index.
- f. B, C, and D.
- 11. (see Slide #16-use formula for answer) A player with a Handicap Index of 35.4 enters a competition where the Terms of the Competition restrict the Handicap Index for use to 24.0 for competition purposes. For the tees being used, the Course Rating is 71.2, Slope Rating is 120 and Par is 72. This results in the player being assigned a Playing Handicap of 25. Upon completion of the round, the player should use which value to adjust hole scores for Net Double Bogey? Note:

 Course Handicap = Handicap Index x (Slope Rating/113) + (Course Rating-Par)
 - a. 38
 - b. 37
 - c. 25
 - d. 24
- 12. (see Slide #11) What term represents the demonstrated ability of a player over the 12-month period preceding their most recently recorded score, and provides a reference point against which the current Handicap Index can be compared?
 - a. Course Handicap
 - b. Playing Handicap
 - c. Low Handicap Index
 - d. Hard Cap
- 13. (see Slide #11) A player posts a Score Differential that is 6.7 strokes below the Handicap Index when the round was played. What adjustment is applied to the player's Handicap Index?
 - a. -1 adjustment
 - b. -2 adjustment
 - c. +1 adjustment
 - d. No adjustment
- 14. (see Slide #50) Under the Rules of Handicapping, a Handicap Index updates daily (assuming a score was submitted the previous day).
 - a. True
 - b. False
- 15. (see Slide #47) The Soft Cap and Hard Cap procedures start to take effect when a player first establishes a Handicap Index, with as few as three scores in their scoring record.
 - a. True
 - b. False

- 16. (see Slide #24) A player has a Course Handicap of 20. What is the hole score for handicap purposes after making an 11 on a par-5 with a Stroke Index of 2?
 - a. 6
 - b. 7
 - c. 8
 - d. 9
- 17. (see Slide #36) A new member of a golf club submits three scores to obtain an initial Handicap Index, with Score Differentials of 43.3, 36.5 and 45.9. If the Handicap Committee has no other knowledge about this player's ability, what Handicap Index should be issued to the player?
 - a. 34.5
 - b. 36.5
 - c. 41.9
 - d. 43.3
- 18. (see Slide #37) A player is playing from a set of tees with a Course Rating of 71.5 and a Slope Rating of 125. Their Adjusted Gross Score is 95 and the Playing Conditions Calculation adjustment for the day is +1. What is the player's Score Differential for this round?
 - a. 23.5
 - b. 23.0
 - c. 21.2
 - d. 20.3
- 19. (see Slide #48) A player's '8 of 20' calculation is 15.2. Their Low Handicap Index is 10.2. What is their new Handicap Index?
 - a. 15.2
 - b. 14.2
 - c. 13.2
 - d. 10.2
- 20. (see Slide #22) The maximum Handicap Index that can be issued to a golfer is:
 - a. 36.4
 - b. 40.4
 - c. 54.0
 - d. 72.0