

BOYS' GOLF BY-LAWS

1. GOLF COACHES

1. Chairmen of the League will be selected by the coaches of the League.
2. The League chairmen are responsible for CCS representation, by-law review , final scheduling and league finals.
3. The golf coaches shall submit by-law changes to the league commissioner at the post season spring meeting.
4. A coach shall either be a certified employee of his/her school district or sign a coaching contract with the school.
5. The 2nd week of January, all league golf coaches will meet to finalize schedule and sites. This meeting replaces the general spring sports pre-season meeting.

2. CLASSIFICATION

Competition in League is authorized on the Varsity level only.

3. GOVERNING RULES

1. U.S.G.A. rules shall govern all matches, unless otherwise agreed upon prior to the match by the coaches involved. (05/20/08)
2. There shall be one (1) recognized team, consisting of six (6) players for all League Matches.
3. Summer rules shall be played, unless the condition of the course dictates otherwise.
4. For BVAL competition, the following special rulings shall apply:
 - 4.1 All shall be medal play, and scoring shall be determined by the total aggregate score of the best **five (5)** out of six (6) players for each team. 5/29/03
 - 4.2 Team tie scores will be resolved by comparing the total score of each team, top **five (5)** starting with nine (9) and working backward until one team wins. (5/03)
 - 4.3 A coach must be present at the course for the entire match or the match will be forfeited. (10-17-96)

- 4.4 Upon reaching a score of 10, a player shall pick up his/her ball and record a 10 and move on to the next hole. (05/20/08)

4. PRACTICE AND GAME LIMITATIONS

1. There shall be a limit of 18 matches played per season. One (1) day tournaments count as 1 match, 2 day tournaments count as 2 matches, etc. (5-17-96)
2. No contest may be scheduled prior to the last game of the Winter season. (4-25-95)

5. MATCH MANAGEMENT

1. Starting times and course usage will be arranged by the BVAL Commissioner through the Golf Alliance representative. (5-25-00)
2. Each team match **will** be nine (9) holes with each team playing twice each week for the length of the season, with the first tee time to be agreed upon by the coaches, or the League Chairperson. **(05/20/08)**
 - 2.1 Matches will be limited to nine (9) holes for official score.
3. Caddies are not permitted. (5-25-00)
4. Spectators are allowed but must observe rules as outlined in U.S.J.G.S.. Spectators must observe all rules that would apply to any on-campus school competition. Spectators, parents and non playing team members must not be closer that 30 yards to any player and they may not give advice to players once match begins. Violation of the rule may result in the disqualification of the player receiving the advice.
5. Any school wishing to file a protest, please refer to Article 15 of the BVAL Constitution for the proper procedure.
6. At each dual match site, the home team coach will be designated as match director and will have the following duties:
 - 6.1 Paring and starting times
 - 6.1.1 Type of play, Summer rules shall be played, unless the condition of the course dictates otherwise. The match director will determine if it is necessary to use winter rules.
 - 6.2 Oversee match, collect and collate score cards and retain official score cards in case of tie (tie-breaking procedure previously outlined).
 - 6.3 Each player will have his/her own scorecard and exchange it with his/her opponent within the group. (10-17-96)

6.3.1 Each player will be responsible to keep his/her own score, as well as opponent he/she exchanged with. (10-17-96)

6.3.2 All players must sign their opponents card and attest their own card.

6.4 Communications of results to newspaper and League scoring chairpersons.

6.4.1 Results should include team scores and medalist (s).

6.4.2 League Chairperson

6.4.3 Mercury News at (408)920-5354

6.4.4 Winning coach to call in results.

6.5 Coaches cannot be paired with players #1-6 during a match. (5/25/06)

6.6 Before daylight savings coaches must play behind the 3rd group. After daylight savings, coaches may play in groups #2 or #3. (5/25/06)

6.7 All coaches shall prepare and submit ***an electronic version of Excel to be sent*** by Friday of each week of competition an official match result. It must be sent by e-mail to spartan3221@mac.com the golf designee. *(This applies to all coaches who play league matches. They must send their scoring summary sheets to spartan3221@mac.com. We only need 1 sheet for each of the matches for the week. All names must be filled in for both teams. No blank names or player in initials please.)(see last page of by-laws for form) (05/27/10)*

7. All matches will be played from the white tees.

6. LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIPS AND CCS REPRESENTATION

1. The Varsity Golf Division Championship shall be determined on the basis of dual meet competition with each team to play every other team twice (2) in their division. The winner of each division will be the team scoring the highest percentage of wins over losses against teams in their division.

1.1 If two teams are tied in win-loss standings at the end of the double round-robin schedule, the Division Champions will be determined by the results of the total combined stroke differential of the two teams in head-to-head completion. If the two Division Champions tie, the Championship will be determined by the results of the two (2) aggregate scores. The winner is the team with the lowest aggregate score. If three(3) or more teams are tied in win-loss standings, a 9 hole playoff ***must be played on Friday*** to determine the winner. **(5-27-10)**

1.2 The Mt. Hamilton Division winner will automatically receive a berth to CCS Finals. (4/00)

1.3 The second (2nd) and third (3rd) place team in the Mt. Hamilton Division will compete against the winner of the Santa Teresa Division and West Valley Division in League playoffs. The winning team will advance to CCS. (5-24-07)

2. The Varsity Golf Individual Championship will be determined at the League Finals.

2.1 League finals will consist of 5 players from the Mt. Hamilton Champion and (4) runners-up. The remaining Mt. Hamilton teams will each receive 2 berths. The Santa Teresa Champion will receive 2 entries, the runner up-1 entry and all other teams will receive one (1) entry. All West Valley teams will receive 1 entry provided that the player has an average of less than 50 for league match players on courses with **33** par or greater. **(05/27/10)**

2.2 All schools are required to submit the players list and requests for at-large player to the BVAL office one week before the Individual Tournament. Schools may submit an at-large entry request for an athlete who has competed in 50% of the league matches. If competition takes place on a course with less than par **33**, the last eight(8) scores on

The remaining spots will be open to any team. Summaries of scores will be submitted on the attached form. All courses with a par 34+ are to be placed on the form. All coaches are invited to participate in the selection process. (5/24/01)

2.3 The Individual Champion, therefore, will be the one individual having the lowest score of the total eighteen (18) holes played during the League Finals.

2.4 In case of a tie at the end of the 18 holes, the Individual Champion will be determined immediately following that day's play by a sudden victory playoff. (5-25-00)

2.4 Make-up schedules as a result of rain-outs, matches must be played within five (5) school days of scheduled contest to secure an alliance course or to record the date of the make-up. The home team coach must notify BVAL Commissioner. (5-25-00)

7. LEAGUE DRESS CODE

1. All players and coaches may wear long pants or **shorts that conform to CCS rules with belts** and shirts with collars as approved by the golf course. Shirts must be tucked in and hats or visors if worn, must be bill forward. **NO jeans, NO sweats** should be worn. **Teams should wear uniform same color shirts and shorts of appropriate size and length.** (05/18/09)

Girls are allowed to wear Capri pants (5/24/07). Inappropriate dress will result in that player being removed from play at the beginning of the match.

8. DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS

1. The division champion will be the winner of the double round-robin competition. If there is a tie we will declare a co-champion, but for CCS Seeding purpose the tie will be broken by the results of the total combined stroke differential of the two teams in head-to-head competition.
2. If 3 or more teams are tied in win-loss standings, tri - champions will be declared and a 9 hole playoff will determine the winner.
3. The Mt. Hamilton division winner will be the #1 seed into CCS.

See next page for scoring sheet

Date: ___/___/2010 Course: _____ Rating/Slope: ____/____

HOME

VISITOR

School: _____

Vs.

School: _____

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Totals for the week of _____ - _____ - 2011

Match #1

Match #2

School: _____

Win / Loss

Win / Loss

School: _____

Win / Loss

Win / Loss