The Kentucky Amateur Points System Explained

The Kentucky Amateur Points System is a comprehensive standardized points system used by the Kentucky Golf Association to track the various player standings. As such, it can be a bit confusing to understand upon first look. In order to help our players best understand the system and how they get points, we have developed a frequently asked questions explanation to compliment the Key Notes. If you have questions, please feel free to contact either Steve McMillen (smcmillen@kygolf.org) or Bill Coomer (bcoomer@kygolf.org).

Q1: How am I selected to play on the Challenge Cup and USGA State Team?

A1: The Challenge Cup invitation is extended to the top 11 amateurs and one senior amateur (55+) individuals on the Bushnell Player Standings at the selection deadline (August 1 for 2015). The USGA State Team invitation is extended to the top three individuals on the Bushnell Player Standings at the selection deadline (typically, the Kentucky Open is the last point event).

Q2: Please define what is a Mid-Senior?

A2: A Mid-Senior is someone at least 40 years of age.

Q3: What is the difference between Players and Mid-Senior Flight?

A3: Mid-Senior flights are offered only in senior events and a player must be at least 40 years of age. The Players flight is a flight option offered only in non-senior events, have no age restrictions, and have gross/net scoring.

Q4: Are points earned in KGA Amateur Series awarded to Bushnell Player of Year Standings?

A4: Yes, they are awarded to the BPOY standing you are eligible.

Q5: I played in Players flight in the Kentucky Four-Ball and my partner and I won. Where do I get points?

A5: You earn 120 points (half of the team total 240) and those points are awarded to the Bushnell Player Standings and your age Player of Year Standings.

Q6: I am over 40, played in the Open flight in the Mid-Amateur, and finished second. Where do I get points?

A6: You earn 400 points and those points are awarded to the Bushnell Player Standings and your eligible Player of Year Standings (John Owens and Mid-Senior POY)

Q7: I am 55 and had the lowest score for the tournament. Can I win Open flight points even though I entered the Senior flight and everyone played the same tees?

A7: No, you may only win the points for the flight that you entered. Each flight is its own tournament.

Q8: I am 65, played in the Open flight in the Kentucky Senior Amateur, and finished fourth. Where do I get points?

A8: You earn 216 points that are awarded to the Bushnell Player Standings and your age Player of Year.

Q9: I am 56; can I elect to play in the Mid-Senior flight or Open?

A9: Yes, you may play down a flight and the Open flight is open to everyone. Points are allocated based on the flight you entered and points are awarded to the Bushnell Player Standing and your age Player of Year (Tom Mussleman Player of the Year (age 55+). E.g., a Four-Ball Senior Team may be comprised of a (55 and 65 year old).

Q10: How are the points allocation calculated for a flight in an event with an Open division?

A10: Each tournament is allocated a points total for the open flight. All other flights are 60% of that value.