

Keeping Score

Players must report to the scoring area immediately after completing their stipulated round. Scorecards will be checked and signed by the players in the scoring area without the assistance of caddies or spectators.

- *Rule 6-6a* in the Rules of Golf states: “After each hole the marker should check the score with the competitor and record it. On completion of the round the marker shall sign the card and hand it to the competitor.”
- *Rule 6-6d* in the Rules of Golf states: “The competitor is responsible for the correctness of the score recorded for each hole on his card. If he returns a score for any hole lower than actually taken, he shall be disqualified. If he returns a score for any hole higher than actually taken, the score as returned shall stand.”

DON'T JUST LOOK AT THE FINAL SCORE: BE SURE THAT YOUR HOLE-BY-HOLE SCORES ARE CORRECT! The Committee will take care of adding the score for you.

Scoring Limit (9-Hole & 6-Hole Divisions)

To assist with pace of play, the Tour will implement a scoring limit on each hole for the 9-Hole and 6-Hole divisions in series events. The maximum score a player can take is **four over Par (+4)** on any hole. The maximum score a player in the 9-Hole or 6-Hole divisions can record is 7 on a Par 3, 8 on a Par 4, and 9 on a Par 5. Competitors are not disqualified from winning prizes in their age group when taking a maximum score on any hole.

Circle 9 Rule (18-Hole Divisions)

To assist with pace of play, the Tour will implement a “**Circle 9 Rule**” for the 18-Hole divisions in series events. If a player hits 9 shots (including penalty shots) and has not finished the hole, they have the **OPTION** to pick up their ball, have their marker (player keeping their scorecard) write down a 9 with a circle around it as the score for that hole, and continue to the next hole.

Circle 9 scores will be converted before being used to compute gross scores. One Circle 9 score will be converted to a 12. Two Circle 9 scores will be converted to 11 on each hole. Three or more Circle 9 scores will be converted to a 10 on each hole.

Equitable Stroke Control Score Posting

When posting scores, players must adjust their score if the allowable **Equitable Stroke Control (ESC)** score maximum is expected to be higher than the maximum score in Tour events. Equitable Stroke Control maximum scores are based on course handicaps, and those totals are as follows:

❖ Course Handicap: 9 or Lower	Maximum posting score of Double Bogey (+2)
❖ Course Handicap: 10-19	Maximum posting score of 7 regardless of Par
❖ Course Handicap: 20-29	Maximum posting score of 8 regardless of Par
❖ Course Handicap: 30-39	Maximum posting score of 9 regardless of Par
❖ Course Handicap: 40 or Higher	Maximum posting score of 10 regardless of Par