

Adjustment of Hole Scores

If you have any questions, please contact Handicap Director at rhgchandicaps@gmail.com.

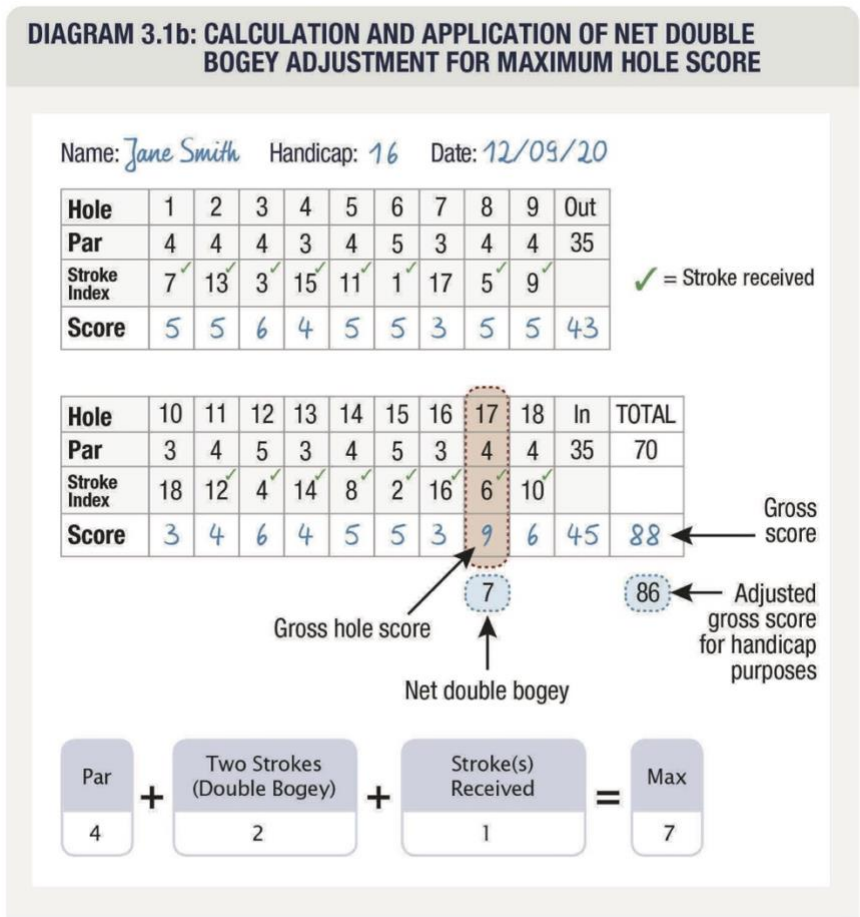
3.1 Maximum Hole Score for Handicap Purposes:

When a member enters their grand total score for the round, he/she MUST take into account the maximum score that can be recorded per hole. **It is strongly recommend that you to enter your scores hole-by-hole in the GHIN system** so the system automatically does these adjustments for you. You just enter your gross score hole-by-hole and the system handles the rest.

If you are unable to, and have to enter your total score manually, following are some guidelines.

If You Already Have an Established Handicap Index

For a player with an established *Handicap Index*, the maximum score for each hole played is limited to a *net double bogey*, calculated as follows: (*or minus any handicap stroke(s) that a plus handicap player gives back on that hole.) (See Diagram 3.1b.)



Before a Handicap Index Has Been Established

For a player submitting their first scores to obtain an initial *Handicap Index*, the maximum score for each hole played is limited to *par + 5* strokes (see Diagram 3.1a).

DIAGRAM 3.1a: APPLYING MAXIMUM HOLE SCORE WHEN HANDICAP INDEX NOT ESTABLISHED

Name: *John Smith* Handicap: *Not Established* Date: *01/07/20*

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Par	4	3	4	3	4	5	4	4	4	35
Score	6	7	6	5	7	12	6	7	7	63

← Gross score

← Adjusted gross score for handicap purposes

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Maximum Hole Score = Par + 5

For more information see these resources from WHS/USGA:

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Full Rules: [3.1 Maximum Hole Score for Handicap Purposes](#)

[3.2 When a Hole is Not Played](#)

[3.3 When a Hole is Started But Player Does Not Hole Out](#)