The golf handicap system is a means by which all indivduals participate in a golf game, on a given course, on a given day, can compete on a reasonably equal basis. The opportunity to establish a handicap is available to all members of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California.

As member of an association and profession dedicated to the game of golf, we must also commit ourselves to the integrity of that game. We must know and adhere to the rules and support the decisions of the ruling bodies.

In addition to the Rules of Golf and other local rules as may be posted, the following rules and general stipulations will be in effect at all golf events of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of Northern California.

a. All participant golfers will pay a prescribed entry fee.

b. Only handicaps computed and recorded by local associations of the United States Golf Association; foreign golf associations recognized as ruling bodies in their country; and chapters of the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America will be recognized.

c. Rule 37-4, The Rules of Golf will apply for all golfing activities. Current handicaps are subject to verification by the Committee at any time, to include at the time of awarding prizes. Inability to provide verification of current handicap is cause for disqualification.

d. Being an association concerned with the best interest in golf, a maximum handicap of 20 is established. Participants with higher handicaps may enter but only 20 strokes against competition will be honored.

e. A flight using the Calloway System of handicapping may be formed and computed at the discretion of the committee if sufficient entries warrant.

f. Golf Course Superintendents, or persons otherwise eligible for membership in the GCSA of Northern California, are welcome as guests at monthly meetings. However, such persons are not eligible to participate in the annual Superintendent-Professional Tournament. All participants will be card carrying superintendent or professional.