NTGCSA Two Man Match Play
Event 2025 – Rule Sheet

FORMAT:

1. The Two Man Team Match Play event is a round robin tournament in which 8 teams are put into groups. Each team will play a best ball (best ball net, aka Four Ball Match Play) round against all or as many teams in their group for a chance to advance to the single elimination tournament, head-to-head during each round. The 4 top teams in each group will advance to the single elimination tournament. All players must be active members in good standing of the NTGCSA to participate.
2. Teams may be comprised of – A combination of two NTGCSA members or NTGCSA member/Affiliate. **NO** Affiliate/Affiliate teams will be allowed.
3. Each player plays his own ball from tee to green. The player with the lowest net score on a given hole wins that hole for his team. The team that is leading by a number of holes greater than the number of holes remaining to be played wins the match. (e.g., 4 up with 3 to play – known as winning 4 & 3)
4. A match can result in a halve in pool play. Once we reach single elimination bracket, all matches that are tied after 18 will go into sudden death extra holes to determine winner. Handicaps will extend to extra holes.
5. USGA match play rules apply – Decisions can be resolved within the group or the Golf Professional on site.

HANDICAPS:

1. Handicaps will be based of 75% of established handicap. For example, a 20 handicap will go to 15 and a 4 handicap will go to a 3. If there is not a whole number once the 75% has taken effect, we will round up for handicap (i.e., 11.1 will round up to 12)
2. Handicaps will be provided for each match from the tournament committee prior to the match via text, email or phone.
3. If a player contests another player's handicap, then it will settle by his or hers GHIN handicap at the time.

BRACKET:

1. The bracket will be composed of 4 groups, each group will be comprised of 8 teams (depending on how many teams sign up). Once the top 4 teams in each group are decided. Those 16 teams will play a single elimination tournament to determine the Match Play Champion.

SCHEDULE:

1. It is the responsibility of the players to arrange their own matches, including the scheduling of tee times. A single player may represent a team. If a second player joins during the match, they must join between holes.
2. There will be player substitutions allowed. This player will play at or below the player he or she is replacing handicap.
3. All group matches must be completed by July 4th. Matches will start on March 14th. The Swinging 16 matches need to complete by July 31st. The Snowman matches need to be completed by August 31st. The Final Fore matches should be completed by Sept 30. The Championship match should be completed before 2026 match play begins.
4. Matches can be played at some monthly NTGCSA meetings provided the committee is made aware beforehand to group the teams together. No matches can be played at the Bully Cup or Chapter Championship.
5. The main goal is to hold the final match at the 2025 Scholarship Tournament.

GROUPS and WINNERS:

Crenshaw, Trevino, Hogan, Nelson.

A team will win their group by having more points than any of the other teams in their group. Points will be awarded for participation and winning.

Point scale:
Win-4 points
Draw-2 points
Loss-1 Point

For Example, a team with a record of 3-0 would earn 12 points. A team with a record 3-1 will receive 12 points for the Win and 1 point for playing in the match they lost, so they would have a total of 13 points. If a team has a record of 2-0-2, 2 wins and 2 halves. They will have a total score of 8points (wins) and 4 points (draw). Total score of 12 points.

TIEBREAKER:

Tiebreaker will be determined by the following format.

1. Head-to-Head outcome
2. Most Wins
3. Most Matches played.
4. Fewest Losses
5. In the event 2-4 teams are tied, and the tiebreaker did not settle the match we will play a 2-4 team tournament to decide winner. (3 team tournament we will draw out hat for team to get bye).

SCORE CARDS:

1. Once the committee has been notified of the date and location of the match, handicap adjustments will be made and emailed to each player.
2. It is the teams' responsibility to mark the scorecard and agree upon each player's handicap on the card before play.
3. A player from each team must report the results of each match to the committee.

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