

BY-LAW ARTICLE XXII

Golf Coed

Sect. 1: Golf shall be administered by the NHIAA Golf Committee via the Policy and Procedures Manual. In all other instances, play will be governed by the rules of the United States Golf Association (USGA).

Sect. 2: NHIAA Golf Tournament

A. Coed Team Golf Tournament:

1. An annual golf tournament in each division shall be conducted by the NHIAA Golf Committee.
2. The tournament will be open to all eligible students of NHIAA member schools.
3. Dates and sites for the golf tournaments will be selected by the Golf Committee.

B. Individual Golf Tournament:

The NHIAA shall annually sponsor a boy's and girls individual tournament.

Sect. 3: Code of Conduct

All competitors at the NHIAA tournaments will conduct themselves in such a manner that respect is shown for the game of golf, for the golf course and facilities which are being used, and for the other participants in the tournaments.

Sect. 4: Divisional Alignment

Golf shall be aligned into four (4) divisions based upon enrollments and petitions subject to the approval of the Classification Committee. Each division shall sponsor its own team and individual tournament.

2026-27 Golf Divisional Alignment

DIV. I (980+)		DIV. II (550-979)		DIV. III (330-549)		DIV IV (1-329)	
20 Schools		16 Schools		17 Schools		17 Schools	
Pinkerton	2979	Alvirne	955	*Milford	613	White Mountains	327
Nashua South	1697	Timberlane	934	Laconia	543	Hopkinton	309
Nashua North	1545	Oyster River	796	Kearsarge	485	Conant	307
Dover	1423	Kingswood	727	Monadnock	475	Inter-Lakes	279
Bedford	1367	Pembroke	718	Pelham	466	Newmarket	266
Spaulding	1346	Merrimack Valley	715	Gilford	442	Mascenic	263
Man. Memorial	1345	Hollis Brookline	713	Sanborn	433	Newport	263
Concord	1329	Souhegan	709	Stevens	432	Farmington	225
Exeter	1329	John Stark	657	Fall Mountain	430	Woodsville	221
Keene	1263	Coe-Brown	650	Somersworth	411	Littleton	161
Londonderry	1219	Plymouth	643	Prospect Mountain	408	Moultonborough	155
Man. Central	1106	Lebanon	642	Belmont	347	Wilton	153
Salem	1069	Bow	639	Trinity	345	Sunapee	150
Goffstown	1032	Kennett	612	Hillsboro-Deering	340	Gorham	142
Merrimack	1013	ConVal	603	Campbell	337	Profile	136
Winnacunnet	988	*St. Thomas	341	*Derryfield	270	Concord Christian	120
Portsmouth	983			*Bishop Brady	227	Lisbon	83
*Windham	884						
*Bishop Guertin	767						
*Hanover	693	*Petition					

Sect. 5: Tournament Selection

The top eight (8) teams (and ties for eighth place) in Division I, II, III and IV, based on their win-loss record in their Division, shall qualify for the state tournament.

Sect. 6: Seasonal Play Rules & Regulations

A maximum of seven (7) and no fewer than four (4) players in Division III, and a maximum of six (6) and no fewer than four (4) players in Division IV will be designated by the coach to compete (Stableford Scoring Format) in seasonal matches. The highest four (4) in Divisions III and IV will determine the winner. For example, in a quadrangular match, the highest team total is the winner, three wins - no losses; second highest, second place and two wins - one loss; third highest, third place and one win - two losses; fourth highest score, fourth place and no wins - three losses. (CM 5.18; 11.19; 8.21; 11.24)

Eight (8) players in Division I and II will be designated by the coach to compete (Stroke Play) in seasonal matches. The lowest five (5) in Division I and II will determine the winner. For example, in a quadrangular match, the lowest team total is the winner, three wins - no losses; second lowest, second place and two wins - one loss; third lowest, third place and one win - two losses; fourth lowest score, fourth place and no wins - three losses. (CM 11.19; CM 8.21)

Tournament scoring for all divisions will be Stroke Play with stroke limits.

Sect. 7: Type of NHIAA Tournament

The first day of the team tournament shall consist of 18 holes of stroke play. The combined total of the best four (4) in Divisions III and IV and five (5) in Divisions I and II individual 18-hole scores for each school shall determine the team champion and runner-up in that division.

Sect. 8: Awards

- A. Official NHIAA championship and runner-up plaques, in addition to eight (8) team medals for Divisions III and IV and ten (10) in Divisions I and II will be awarded to the respective champion and runner-up teams in each division.
- B. Medals will be awarded to the top five (5) medalists in all Divisions (I-IV) based upon their 36-hole scores. In the event of a tie for the individual division champion, the individuals shall play a sudden victory round beginning on the first hole and continuing until a winner is determined. Ties for places two through five in all Divisions (I-IV) shall be the last hole round. If competitors are still tied after using the last 18-hole round, then the winner will be determined on the basis of the scores for the last nine holes, last six (6) holes, the last three (3) holes, the 18th hole, 17th hole, etc. All players tied for fifth place in all Divisions (I-IV) will receive a medal. (CM 5.24)
- C. If a tie exists for the team champion or runner-up the following steps will be taken:
 - Divisions I and II:
 - 1. In the event of a tie during a tournament match, the score of the 6th lowest player will count toward the team total.
 - 2. If a tie still exists, this procedure will continue through the 7th and 8th players.
 - 3. If the current guidelines have been exhausted and a tie still exists, the next step would be to refer to score cards to find the lowest individual score for each school, if a tie still exists the procedure will continue until the tie is broken.
 - 4. Recording a tie on the website after a tie is determined, minus one (1) stroke to the winning school.
 - Divisions III and IV:
 - 1. In the event of a tie during a tournament match, the score of the 5th lowest player will count toward the team total.
 - 2. If a tie still exists, this procedure will continue with the 6th player.
 - 3. If the current guidelines have been exhausted and a tie still exists, the next step would be to refer to score cards to find the lowest individual score for each school, if a tie still exists the procedure will continue until the tie is broken.
 - 4. Recording a tie on the website after a tie is determined, minus one (1) stroke to the winning school.
- D. The top six (6) in the Medal Flight will be awarded medals based upon their 9-hole scores. The top six (6) in the Championship Flight will be awarded medals based upon their 36-hole scores. (See Golf Policy and Procedures Manual) (CM 5.22)

Section 9: Scheduling Calendar

The NHIAA must be notified in writing on or before May 1st of the calendar year to offer a team golf program.