Women's Public Links Golf Association of Southern California
2027 Women's Team Play
ENTRY, FORMAT, CONDITIONS, AND PROCEDURES

Date: October 2026
To: WPLGASC Team Leaders
From: WPLGASC Team Committee

If you have questions contact *Karen Kiddy by return email or at 714-308-7514*

Team Member Eligibility

Any WPLGASC Member of a WPLGASC Member Club who meets the following requirements is eligible to participate in Team Play 2027.

1. Team Member must be a member of the Team Play Club ***on or before July 1, 2026*** and be listed on the following two reports:
   - **A.** January 1, 2027 USGA/SCGA Handicap Index Report for the WPLGASC Club Team she chooses to play for, and
   - **B.** The WPLGASC 2027 Club Membership Roster for the Club Team she chooses to play for.

   To be eligible to participate, the WPLGASC Secretary, Janet Herbold, must receive WPLGASC Individual Membership dues and WPLGASC Club Dues for each Team Member and Club by the *December 1, 2026* membership deadline.

   Players pay WPLGASC dues at one WPLGASC Club. That Club must be a WPLGASC Member Club for 2027. If a player belongs to several WPLGASC Member Clubs, she may play for any WPLGASC Member Club where she is a member.
2. The Team Member must have a USGA/SCGA Handicap Index as of *January 1, 2027* based on 20 scores; *and* at least 3 of the 20 scores must be games **played at the Club Team course between July 1, 2026 and December 31, 2026**.
3. Verify the requirements in #1 and #2 above are met before adding players to your 2027 Team Roster. If you have members whose handicap index may not be current as described above, have your Club Handicap Chair check the handicap detail reports of those members for you.
4. A player may play on *one* team for *one* WPLGASC Club only. **It is the responsibility of each player to ensure she plays for only one team**.
5. WPLGASC reserves the right to refuse the entry of any member at any time with sufficient reason.

TEAM PROCEDURES AND REQUIREMENTS

TEAM ROSTERS are limited to 20 players. Roster replacements after the Roster is validated may be considered by the Committee in extreme and exceptional circumstances.

TRAVEL TIME: The Committee considers geographic area and travel for Division and Area assignment and when securing neutral course contracts in an effort to maintain equitable travel time for each team based on the location of their Club course.

COMMITMENT: Please be certain enough players on your Team Roster will be available to field a team to compete in all of your matches**, no matter the day of the week,** including re-scheduled matches and Area Finals Matches should your team win Division Gross or Net. Please confirm with prospective team members prior to planning your club's team lineup.

TEAMS, DIVISIONS AND FINALS: There must be **at least 3 teams** in each Division in order to participate in Team Play. If there are not enough teams in a Division, the Committee will contact the teams involved to discuss

options**.** Matches will be planned and scheduled with consideration of the needs of all divisions and timetables may differ by division. Every effort will be made to provide Finals Matches for every Division. At times due to an uneven number of Divisions or no opposing Division, this may not be possible.

DATES: 2027 Team Matches will be scheduled during the *weeks of March 1, 8, 15, 22, 31 and April 5, 12*. **Matches may be scheduled on *any day of the week.*** It is possible your team may have matches scheduled on a Club play day. With regard to the WPLGASC Away From Home and significant conflicts with SCGA, LPGA or LA County events, we will attempt to schedule matches on Wednesday through Friday of those weeks, if necessary and possible. Team Finals may be scheduled any weekday during the *weeks of April 19 and 26*. Please plan accordingly and notify those who develop your Club Calendar. Once dates and schedules are set, there will be no changes because of Club date conflicts.

FOUR-BALL MATCH PLAY FORMAT GROSS AND NET: Eight (8) Players (4 Sides) in a team competition. Two (2) partners compete together as a Side, with each player playing their own ball and a Side's score for a hole is their better-ball score against the better-ball score of their opponents, gross and net. USGA Rules of Golf, effective January 2023 (Refer to Rules 23 and 24).

HANDICAP INDEX: The following USGA Handicap Index parameters are in effect for 2027 Team Play.

- **HANDICAPS FOR A TEAMS:** USGA Handicap Indexes up to 22.0. A player with an index higher than 22.0 may play on the A Team, but must play down to a 22.0 index.
- **HANDICAPS FOR B TEAMS:** USGA Handicap Indexes 18.0 - 36.0. Players with an index higher than 36.0 may play on the B Team, but must play down to a 36.0 index.

HANDICAP INDEX ORDER: If a Club fields two teams, the handicap indexes of the teams may not **exceed** each other. For example: If the index of the last player on your A Team is 19.5, you may begin your B Team with a 19.5 index. The same applies to Two-Club teams.

DEADLINE: Team Registration Forms and payment must be received no later than **October 23, 2026.**

Team Captains will receive communications regarding roster preparation, the Handicap Index to be used for 2027 and course assignment in early January.

TEAM WITHDRAWALS

If a team withdraws after November 15, 2026, the team entry fee will not be refunded. If a team withdraws after January 1, 2027, the club may be liable for green fees for the course the team was scheduled to play. For example, a team has 4 matches, using 8 players scheduled at a course. The green fees are $40.00. That could result in penalty amount of $320.00 a week 4 times for a total of $1240. Withdrawing a team causes hardship for all teams in a division and the golf facilities. If your team roster dwindles and you think you must withdraw, remember you may compete with less than 8 players, but you must have a minimum of 4 players for every match.

2027 Team Play Committee

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