



## WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO STROKE YOUR CARD?

Stroking your card (placing little dots in each box) is to show you how many strokes per hole you can post using your handicap.

## HOW TO STROKE YOUR CARD

- The first thing you must know is your handicap.
- If your handicap is 18, you mark one stroke on each hole.
- If your handicap is less than 18, let's say 15, you stroke your card on the 15 hardest holes.
- If your handicap is higher than 18, you need to do a little math. Here is an **example** of how to stroke your card.

Let's say your course handicap is 23. Subtract 18 from 23, ( $23-18=5$ ) and you will end up with 5. That means you mark one stroke on every hole (18 holes) and a second stroke on the 5 hardest holes.

### How Do I Know which are the hardest holes?

On each scorecard, every hole has a designated handicap which determines the difficulty of that hole compared to the other holes on the course. Each hole is rated from 1 to 18. 1 being the hardest and 18 being the easiest. Look at this scorecard from Crab Meadow, The first hole at Crab Meadow is the 6th hardest hole.

Crab Meadow Golf Course Scorecard

HOLE	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
Blue	71.3/131	372	379	223	531	387	327	346	481	161	320
White	M 69.7/127 W 75.6/134	357	360	198	500	369	311	333	453	146	302
Handicap		4	8	12	16	2	18	10	6	14	
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Par		4	4	3	5	4	4	4	5	3	36
Silver	M 66.6/121 W 72.0/128	318	302	128	392	327	301	323	428	132	265
Handicap		6	10	18	14	4	12	8	2	16	

Example of handicap of 23 for first 9 holes

## QUESTIONS?

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