

THE INDIAN GOLF UNION New Delhi,INDIA

THE IGU'S COURSE RATING POLICY - 2016

1. Goals

The overall goal of IGU's course rating program is to get all the affiliated clubs to have their USGA Course & Slope Ratings done by an official IGU team. This is primally to ensure the success of the IGU's National handicap Servce (NHS) which is a flagship program of the IGU.

The secondary goal is for IGU to have an adequate pool of trained & experienced team leaders and course raters to meet this objective.

The rating team will also carry out the revision of the Local Rules of the Club that is being rated and ensure its conformity with the Rules of Golf as laid down by the R&A Rules Ltd and as prescribed in The IGU's Technical Handbook ,2013,which is in effect in India. The Club's compliance with these Rules will be mandatory.

2. Number of Raters Required

It is considered that 6 team leaders and a minimum of 18 raters are required to carry out the program objectives. This resource already exists with the IGU. As and when reqired the IGU will request the USGA to ocnduct Course Rating Seminars to identify new raters.

3. USGA CRP Access

The following access rights will be granted for the USGA CRP cloud website:

Admin Rights(ex-officio): Director General, Chairman -TRASC and Chief Course Rater.

Author Rights: All designated Team Leaders

Reader Rights: All certified course raters who have not been designated Team Leaders.

4. Rating Team Strength

The standard rating team's strength shall consist of 3 persons with one of them as the designated team leader.

If the number of tees to be rated on a course are 4 to 6(inclusive of genders), the Chief Course Rater may nominate a four person rating team if he feels it is expedient.

If the number of tees to be rated on a course exceeds 6 (inclusive of genders), the Chief Course Rater may nominate a five person rating team if he feels it is expedient.

5 Rating Charges To Clubs

The clubs will be charged rating charges as per their Classification (A,B,C or D) in Rule 5 of the IGU's MOA & Rules & Regulations ,effective 24/08/2014 or as amended from time to time.

The following costs will be borne by the respective clubs:

Air fares to/fro home city of the rating team
Lodging expenses of the rating team
Meal expenses of the rating team
Local Conveyance to/fro the airport and to/fro accomodation and course

The determination of the rating fees will be done by the Chief Rater in conjunction with the Director General and will be communicated to the club in advance.

6 Raters' Fees

The following fees would be paid to the raters.

Chief Course Rater's Overriding Fee: Rs 3000 per course

Team Leader's Fee: Rs 7000 per course Team Member's Fee: Rs 6000 per course

7 Raters' Allowances

If the concerned club is bearing the costs, this matter does not arise.

If the IGU is bearing the costs:

Lodging: Rs 3500 per day. Boarding: Rs 1000 per day.

Conveyance: Taxi fares to & fro home to airport; taxi fares to & fro airport

& accommodation/golf course in the place visited.

Travel mode: Raters will be entitled to economy air fares or if there are no flights to the concerned place, then Second AC rail fares.

8 Re-rating Charges

If for any reason, a club requests a re-rating before the recommended due date, the IGU will ask the club to bear all costs relating to the re-rating including raters' fees.

9 Elevation To Team Leader

A course rater may be elevated to the status of a team leader if the rater has rated at least 10 golf courses and if in the opinion of the Chief Course Rater together with Chairman, Technical and Director General, the rater is fit to be elevated to Team Leader.

Merely rating 10 golf courses does not entitle the rater to be automatically elevated to the status of a Team Leader.

10 IGU Secretariat's Role

The IGU secretariat will periodically send out communications to unrated golf clubs to get their ratings done by post, email and personal phone calls explaining the benefits of USGA course rating. The IGU secretariat will pro-actively persuade the unrated clubs to get rated.

11 Annual Seminar

The IGU will endeavour to conduct an annual seminar on course rating and review the work done during the year and broad plans for the following year. Dissemination of information on peculiar situations encountered while rating courses will be shared by senior raters.

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