



World Handicap System (WHS)

The World Handicap System calculates an **Index** by using the best 8 of the last 20 rounds and taking the differentials and dividing by 8 and rounding to one decimal place.

Prior to the WHS, the GHIN system calculated an **Index** by using the best 10 of the last 20 rounds and taking the differentials and dividing by 10 and multiplied the result by 0.96. The result is rounded to one decimal place.

Once you have an index, the World Handicap System calculates a Course Handicap like this:

$$\text{Course Handicap} = (\text{Index} \times \text{Slope} / 113) + (\text{Course Rating} - \text{Par})$$

The **course rating less par** is new to the calculation. There is **no longer any adjustment for players playing from different tees**. This calculation of the difference in par and course rating takes care of it. A golf course of standard playing difficulty has a **Slope Rating** of 113.

Men's Tees	Cimarron	Desert Springs	GF North	GF South
	Par	Par	Par	Par
	72	72	72	72
Red Tees Rating	64.5	63.9	64.4	63.9
Rating less Par	7.5	8.1	7.6	8.1
Slope	110	102	106	102
Yellow Tees Rating	67.8	66.7	66.3	66.6
Rating less Par	4.2	5.3	5.7	5.4
Slope	116	110	109	107
White Tees Rating	69.6	69.3	68.8	68.6
Rating less Par	2.4	2.7	3.2	3.4
Slope	123	118	116	113

WHS Examples:	WHS Minus GHIN	GHIN Examples:
Red tee player, with 39.0 WHS index, @ Cimarron: (39.0 X 110/113) + (64.5 - 72) (37.964 + (-7.5) = 30.46 rounded to 30 Course Handicap	-6	Red tee player, with 39.0 GHIN index, @ Cimarron: (39.0 X 110/113) (37.964 x .96 = 36.4 rounded to 36 Course Handicap
Yellow tee player, with 16.8 WHS index, @ Cimarron: (16.8 X 116/113) + (67.8-72) 17.246 + (-4.2) = 13.046 rounded to 13 Course Handicap	-4	Yellow tee player, with 16.8 GHIN index, @ Cimarron: (16.8 X 116/113) 17.246 x .96 = 16.55 rounded to 17 Course Handicap
White tee player, with an 8.5 WHS index, @ Cimarron: (8.5X 123/113) + (69.6-72) 9.252 + (-2.4) = 6.9 rounded to 7 Course Handicap	-2	White tee player, with an 8.5 GHIN index, @ Cimarron: (8.5X 123/113) 9.252 x .96 = 8.88 rounded to 9 Course Handicap



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New World Handicap System -- Maximum Stroke Control

Maximum Score that can be posted per Hole

Hole HCP	Par 3	Par 4	Par 5
0	5	6	7
1	6	7	8
2	7	8	9

In words:

If you receive 0 handicap on a given hole, the Max score you can post is:

a **5**, if that hole is a Par 3,

a **6**, if a Par 4 or

a **7**, if a Par 5.

If you receive 1 stroke on a given hole, the Max score you can post is:

a **6**, if that hole is a Par 3,

a **7**, if a Par 4 or

a **8**, if a Par 5.

If you receive 2 strokes on a given hole, the Max score you can post is:

a **7**, if that hole is a Par 3,

a **8**, if a Par 4 or

a **9**, if a Par 5.