

2026 RWGA Four-ball Season Long Tournament Guidelines

The sign ups for the 4 ball tournament will be coming out this week. The deadline to sign up your team is Friday, April 10.

You and your partner will play each team in your pool, to be scheduled at your own pace. The bracket pools will be set by the middle of April. All matches need to be completed by September 30. I strongly recommend that you not wait until Sept 1 to start scheduling your matches! Between work, travel, illness, injury, weather and other challenges, it can be tough to get 4 people together at the same time, so start early.

If you cannot get a match scheduled, it will be called a draw. If your team is making a valid effort to schedule with the other team without response, please advise me before **August 1**, so that I can try to help move things along. If both teams are uncooperative in scheduling, neither team will get any points for the match. Please keep in mind that some participants work and will need to play on weekends or late in the day.

No substitutes are allowed. If you can't find a date that works for both you and your partner, you are free to play alone.

Each player will play their designated tee, receiving 100% of their handicap. You **MUST** play from the same tees throughout the season. When you schedule your match, please advise the pro shop that you are playing a match and indicate which tee each person will be playing from. They will assign strokes accordingly.

BEFORE you start your match, you are responsible for confirming that your strokes shown on the card are accurate. You should all have the GHIN app which makes it easy to check! Mistakes on the card must be corrected before play begins. If they are not -- too bad, so sad.

You can play your matches on Thursdays, but you cannot compete in the Play Day at the same time. Helping your partner read putts, showing her the line and other advantages of playing with a partner would make it unfair for you to compete against the rest of the field. Along the same lines, fourball results do not apply to birdies, chip-ins and ringers and cannot be posted.

Playoffs will be held in October. End-of-season ties will be broken by head-to-head scores to determine first and second place finishers in the pool. The top teams in each pool will play off for overall champs, with the second place teams competing for overall third place. Payout will be made from entry fees.

Reporting scores: After each match, please finalize the scoring, get both teams to sign and date the card and then give the scorecard to the Pro Shop. The Pro Shop will manage the tournament.

Scoring for each match: 1 point for winning the Front Nine, 1 point for winning the Back Nine, 1 point for winning the Overall. If you tie on the Front, Back or Overall, both teams receive ½ point.

If you have any questions about fourball play, I'm glad to help. Hope you all have a fun season!

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