

## **Hunterdon County Boys Golf Bylaws**

1. Schools must meet all members in their division twice to be eligible for a Divisional Championship. Crossovers will not count toward the Divisional Championship.
2. Should a tie exist in the divisional standing at the completion of the dual meet season, the tiebreaker is based on head-to-head competition among the tied teams. If they are still tied, there will be co-champs.
3. The Skyland Conference shall sanction a golf tournament as an invitational medalist tournament with medals to the top (10) places in each division and (2) extra medals in case of ties. There will be a team championship for this tournament also. If there is a tie for the individual champion, a sudden death play-off will take place to determine the winner. If there is a tie for the team championship, a par 3 hole will be chosen as the play-off hole. All 4 players from each team will play the hole and the score of each will be added for the total score of each team. During the medalist tournament, an individual or individuals may enter from a school that doesn't sponsor a team.
4. To qualify for the Skyland Conference golf tournament golfers must have an average score of (55) or below to compete at the time of the cutoff date. Golfers will be paired accordingly. This only pertains to the male golfers. Individuals are eligible to compete if the standards are satisfied.
5. Skyland Conference golf play shall consist of six (6) players per team with the total stroke score of the top four (4) players to count in determining the winning team (the lowest total score wins).
6. If a tie exists at the completion of the match (after the top 4 player scores are totaled), the tie is broken at the 5th player's score. If the match is still tied, the tie will be broken after the 6th player's score. If still tied, the match ends in a tie.
7. Four-somes are to be used for dual and quad matches and three-somes for triangular matches.
8. All local club rules must be observed.
9. Appropriate dress (no jeans, T-shirts, football jersey type shirts, sweatshirts) including shirts with a collar must be worn (turtleneck is acceptable). Shoes are acceptable per golf course regulations.
10. At the beginning of each match each player must show his/her ball for identification purposes.
11. Lost balls are to be limited to a (3) minute search.
12. Double par rule will be in effect during team matches. It will not be in effect during the medalist tournament. Double Par with a circle. If you use the rule you can't medal.

13. Winter rules will be used at all courses and the USGA guidelines referring to winter rules will be in effect. Summer rules can be instituted as long as both coaches agree.
14. No spectators are allowed at matches.
15. Coaching will be permitted during the match by the coach except on the greens and tee boxes. Teammates within the foursome can discuss strategy up to the green. There can be no discussion on the green (example: reading putts, etc.).
16. Each individual should announce and verify their score before teeing off on the next hole. Clear the green as fast as possible.
17. If the course is closed or conditions render it unplayable and both coaches agree upon this, the match will be postponed. If unfavorable weather conditions cause a temporary stoppage of play, both teams must wait at least one half an hour before resuming play.
18. If, due to inclement weather or some other emergency, a match is concluded prior to the completion of nine holes, the team scores will be based on the total number of holes that all six team members have completed for both teams with a minimum of five holes to have been played.
19. All girls will tee off one tee forward of the men's established tees.
20. Teams should be allowed to practice before the match if time permits. Both teams should be given the opportunity to warm-up if the other team has been hitting balls.
21. Any golfer that used any form of tobacco or other illegal substances will automatically be disqualified and their score will not count in that match. The next lowest score will then be added to the other 3 in totaling the final team score.
22. Cell phones will be allowed on the course during the competition to complete I Wanamaker score inputting only. Range finders are permitted without calculating slope. Distances may not be accessed from cell phones, or watches with texting capabilities.
23. The following criteria will be used for all conference selections:  
a. 7 + 1 At Large
24. Depending on the number of teams in each division, the number of all-conference selections will increase when the divisions are larger than six teams.
25. Honorable mention will be limited to a maximum of one player per school.