

- All teams shall commit to play in the 2018 UGA Women's Team Play League by Friday, February 16, 2018.
- The \$50 entry fee may be paid by:
 - Credit card (write on entry form, or call Megan Huntsman at 385-347-5009)
 - Check (mail to 4444 South 700 East, Suite 105, Millcreek, Utah, 84107)
 - Cash (mail to 4444 South 700 East, Suite 105, Millcreek, Utah, 84107)
- Each team must designate a team captain and co-captain responsible for all communications with their team and the UGA. Please include the team captain's and co-captain's contact information on the team entry form.

2018 UGA Women's Team Play League Rules

The UGA Women's Team Play League is under the direction of the Utah Golf Association. All play shall be governed by the USGA Rules of Golf and by the current UGA Local Rules and Conditions of Competition.

1. Women's Team Play is open to all female members of the UGA with no age restrictions. Professionals are permitted to play, but must follow the same guidelines of eligibility set forth in the Women's Team Play rules.
2. Teams will consist of eight women; the captain will decide who is on the team and how many rounds, if any, that a player must play with their women's association league before she can play on the team.
3. All team members must be paid members of the UGA at the club that they are playing for, belong to the women's association at that club, and have an active handicap at least two days before a match begins. The entire team is subject to disqualification if all players are not paid members of the UGA.
4. A player may not play on more than one team belonging to the UGA Women's Team Play League during the season.
 - a. The private club league is not governed by the UGA, thus players are eligible to play in in both leagues.
5. A club may have more than one team participate in the league. However, the team rosters are not interchangeable, and a player must choose if she will play on her club's A or B team before the season starts. A player is not considered to have joined a team until they play in a match.

Scheduling

6. All regular season matches must be completed by **Friday, September 7, 2018**.

- a. The UGA will provide a schedule with windows (including weekends) for each match. If a match cannot be completed within the window, both captains must agree *in writing* (email between captains) to reschedule the match.
 - b. If both captains cannot agree on a schedule change, the last day of the window will stand as the default match.
 - c. After **Friday, September 7, 2018**, incomplete matches will result in zero points and a loss for both teams.
 - d. The default time for any match will be 9:00 a.m.
7. A scheduled match should not be postponed because of minor weather problems. If serious weather is likely, the home team captain is urged to reschedule the match in as far in advance as possible.

Play

8. The visiting team captain is responsible for contacting the home team captain two days prior to the match to confirm the schedule and roster.
9. Playing positions shall be determined by course handicap.
10. The order of play will be determined by the four-ball match, not the individual matches.
11. The home team will have the honor on the first tee.
12. The matches should tee off in the following order:
 - i. 1st and 2nd players from both teams
 - ii. 3rd and 4th players from both teams
 - iii. 5th and 6th players from both teams
 - iv. 7th and 8th players from both teams
13. Any changes to the playing order must be agreed on by both captains, otherwise no changes can be made.
14. If a team member is unable to continue play due to illness or an emergency prior to the completion of the first nine holes, she will lose the front nine, back nine, and total of her individual match. If she falls ill or needs to leave due to an emergency during the second nine holes, she will keep all points earned in the first nine, but she will forfeit the back nine and total of her individual match. Her partner will still represent their team and compete against their opponents in the four-ball match.
15. If a match is scheduled on the 1st, 2nd, 15th, or 16th of the month, the previous handicap revision should be used.
16. If the course condition is unplayable due to extenuating circumstances, a team may designate another site to host its home matches. The site and extenuating circumstances must be approved by the UGA.
17. Regarding pace of play, Rule 6-7. Undue Delay; Slow Play states, "The player must play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play guidelines that the

Committee may establish. Between completion of a hole and playing from the next *teeing ground*, the player must not unduly delay play.”

- a. The UGA will be the arbiter of any disagreements on Rules and forfeits.
18. In accordance with the Rules of Golf, partners can confer about play of a hole, give advice, and discuss concessions freely. Refer to Decision 30-3/1 for specific examples pertaining to four-ball matches with concurrent singles matches.

Scoring

19. Each foursome will play for 9 points:
- a. Example:
 - i. Player 1 from Team A plays Player 1 from Team B
 - ii. Player 2 from Team A plays Player 2 from Team B
 - iii. Players 1 and 2 from Team A play Players 1 and 2 from Team B
 - a. In each match the front nine is worth 1 point, the back nine is worth 1 point, and the total 18 is worth 1 point.
20. All players should write their scores on their scorecard for handicapping purposes. On any hole that a player starts, but does not finish, she should record the score she most likely would have made or her ESC score, whichever is LOWER. If a player does not start the play of a hole, her score should be recorded as par plus any handicap strokes.
21. The *winning* team captain will be responsible for posting the results of the match online. If she neglects to do so within seven calendar days of the completed match, the *winning* team’s points may be forfeited.
22. **A UGA Women’s Team Play match is closed once both team captains agree on the overall match results and they are posted online.**

Forfeits

23. A match is considered a forfeit if a team fails to have at least *seven* players.
24. If a team only fields *seven* players the position of the absent player will be as follows: if a team is unable to fill the final spot prior to the home captain making the cards for the match the forfeiting player will be put into the 8th position. If a team loses a player after the cards have already been made, that player’s position will be the forfeited position.
25. Forfeits should be avoided at all costs, but if one happens, the team forfeiting will receive no points for that match. The winning team will be awarded their average number of points per match for that match at the conclusion of the season.
26. As stated in Rule 17, the UGA will be the arbitrator of any disagreements about the Rules and forfeits.

Playoffs

27. The UGA will no longer schedule playoff matches. Captains of playoff teams are responsible for scheduling dates, times, and *neutral* locations of matches. The UGA will email all captains seeds for playoffs and the date, time, and *neutral* location of the final match.
28. Each division will have a champion who will be crowned based on their season-long winning percentage.
 - a. In case of ties, the team with the highest points-per-match average throughout the year will be declared the winner. If there is still a tie, the team with the best record against each other (first by wins, then by points) will be declared the winner.
29. **Champions and runners-up in each division will playoff for the UGA Women's Team Play League Championship (Division 1 Champ vs Division 2 Runner-up, Division 2 Champ vs Division 1 Runner-up).** If there are three divisions, the team with the highest winning percentage will determine the seeding. The wildcard team will always be the No. 4 seed.
 - a. In case of ties, the team with the best points-per-match average will earn the No. 1 seed.
 - b. The wildcard team will be decided by the highest winning percentage of teams who have not won their division.
 - i. In case of ties, the team with the highest points-per-match average throughout the year will be declared the winner. If there is still a tie, it will be decided by lot.
30. Playoff scheduling windows will be determined by the UGA.
31. A player must play in at least one match during the regular season to be eligible to play in any playoff rounds.
32. All playoff rounds will be played at neutral courses on tees selected by the UGA. (Semifinal matches locations will be selected and agreed upon by participating team captains)
33. There shall be a minimum of two days between the semi-final match and the final match to allow teams the chance to play a practice round.
34. All playoff rounds must be completed by all players on both teams. A match can only be cancelled by the course professional or UGA staff member due to threatening weather.
 - a. If a match is cancelled due to weather, team captains must vote to reschedule or to score the playoff as a nine-hole tournament match.
35. In case of ties, the UGA will use the following method to find a winner:
 - a. All individual matches on the last nine hole will be tallied and the team that wins the most individual matches will be declared the winner.
 - b. If there is still a tie, the same procedure will be used on the four-ball matches, first on the last nine holes, then on the first nine holes.
 - c. If there is still a tie, the winner will be decided by lot.

Utah Women's Team Play Championship

The UGA has changed the Women's Private vs. Public Match to the first annual Utah Women's Team Play Championship.

- **Eligibility:** The event will include the league champions from the Women's Public Division, Women's Private Division, Northern Utah Women's Golf Association (NUWGA) and Central Utah Women's Golf Association (CUWGA). Each league will field a team of eight players.
- **Format:** 18-hole stroke play using a Net Modified Stableford format
 - Net Double Bogey or worse - 0 points
 - Net Bogey - 1 point
 - Net Par - 2 points
 - Net Birdie - 4 points
 - Net Eagle - 6 points
 - Net Double Eagle - 8 points
 - All players will be required to pick up without finishing the hole once they have reached bogey and they have not holed out.
- **Scoring:** All team members' Net Modified Stableford points will count toward team total points. The team with the highest total points will win the event.
- **Ties:** If a tie occurs, the UGA will tally the total Net Modified Stableford points earned by each team on the No. 1 handicap hole. If there is still a tie, the UGA will tally the total Net Modified Stableford points earned on the No. 2 handicap hole. The UGA will follow this procedure until the tie is broken. If a tie is unable to be broken, the co-champions will be crowned.
- **Pairings:** We will try to have a shotgun start at a golf course, and we will intertwine groups so that each team has an opportunity to be paired with a team of every league.

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| Pairing Group #1 | Central | Players 1 and 2 | vs | Northern | Players 1 and 2 |
| Pairing Group #2 | UGA Public | Players 1 and 2 | vs | Private Club | Players 1 and 2 |
| Pairing Group #3 | Central | Players 3 and 4 | vs | UGA Public | Players 3 and 4 |
| Pairing Group #4 | Northern | Players 3 and 4 | vs | Private Club | Players 3 and 4 |
| Pairing Group #5 | Central | Players 5 and 6 | vs | Private Club | Players 5 and 6 |
| Pairing Group #6 | Northern | Players 5 and 6 | vs | UGA Public | Players 5 and 6 |
| Pairing Group #7 | Central | Players 7 and 8 | vs | Northern | Players 7 and 8 |
| Pairing Group #8 | UGA Public | Players 7 and 8 | vs | Private Club | Players 7 and 8 |

- **Lunch and Awards:** A buffet lunch and recognition of the champion will follow play.