Mass Golf Men's Team Matches Information/FAQ

Format/Eligibility:

- Entries are open to all male amateur Mass Golf Members with an active Handicap Index[®] of 54.0 or less affiliated with the Member Club the team is representing.
- Team Matches take place once a month in **June**, **July**, **August**, **and September**. Each team must host one match, and each match must be played during the month assigned to the host team.
- A player may only play for one team during the season.
- Players compete for match points in a Net Four-Ball Match Play format for 18 holes. Points will be awarded as follows: 1 point for winning a hole, .5 points for a tied hole, and 0 points for losing a hole. In addition, each side (pairing) will be awarded 2 additional points for every match won.
- Players will be limited to 90% of their Playing Handicap[™]. Players will be limited to a Playing Handicap of 36.
- As long as a player has a Handicap Index[®] affiliated with the Member Club the team is representing that has been active at least 1 week prior to a match date, they can participate in a match.

<u>Teams:</u>

- Teams are created, managed and represented by a captain. Captains can be any male Mass Golf member who have an active handicap index at the Member Club they are affiliated with. Captains are required to obtain consent from their host club or course to participate in the Team Matches. Captain's duties include forming their team's roster for each match, coordinating matches with their host Member Club, coordinating matches with the other captains in their region and managing the matches in the Golf Genius Tournament Management Program.
- Each team will consist of 6 male amateur Mass Golf Members with an active Handicap Index, affiliated with and representing a specific Member Club.
- The players on team rosters can change with each match.
- Teams that enter will play three other clubs within their region. Each region will consist of 4 teams.
- Teams may request to be assigned to a region with other teams (in combination with one, two or three other teams), subject to mutual consent as part of the registration process. To meet this condition, all two/three/four teams must agree to be in the same region, they must all sign up prior to the entry deadline, and Mass Golf must be informed via the Region Request Form prior to the entry deadline. Otherwise, teams will be assigned to regions by Mass Golf.
- Only one team from each Member Club will be accepted prior to the close of entries on a first come, first served basis. Clubs that wish to field secondary teams will be waitlisted and will be accepted on a space available basis after the entry deadline based on a random draw. If your club wishes to be put on the waitlist for a secondary team, BOTH teams from your club are required to host a match.
- Mass Golf Members from Affliliate Member Clubs are eligible to participate and form a team after gaining consent from a Member Club willing to host that team's match.
- Entry fee of \$240 per team for four matches.

Matches:

- Each team plays 4 matches: one head-to-head match against every team in their region. After the conclusion of the first 3 matches, teams will be seeded and play the fourth match based on cumulative points in their region (1st vs 4th, 2nd vs 3rd). All four teams will compete in each match day.
- Match rosters consist of 6 players competing from each team on the day of a match.
- Players will be paired to matches by Handicap Index, low to high (1&2, 3&4, 5&6).
- Region standings are determined by aggregate total points across all 4 matches.
- All four teams in each region will host one match at their home course throughout the season, during a month designated by Mass Golf (June, July, August or September). Teams may switch hosting assignments by mutual consent, and are required to confirm any modified host month schedules to Mass Golf no later than May 1st.

For additional information, please have your Team Captain contact Kyle Sherman at Mass Golf at <u>mensteammatches@massgolf.org</u> or 774-430-9014.