

## 2025 WWGA Women's Match Play Tournament Rules

### Stony Lick

1. This is a Round Robin 18 Hole Women's Match Play Tournament on Stony Lick. Each Player will play a match against every player in the tournament flight. Players are responsible for setting up their own matches.
2. During each match, Players accumulate points as follows:
  - 1 point for winning a hole
  - ½ point for tying a hole
  - 0 point for losing a hole.The player's total points from all the matches are totaled and the player with the most points wins.
3. All play is governed by USGA Match Play Rules and The Woods Local Rules.
  - Any USGA rule that results in a 2-stroke penalty in Stroke Play is loss of the hole in Match Play. One stroke penalties in Stroke Play are the same in Match Play and the same rules apply.
  - **Model Local Rule E 5 regarding lost or out of bound balls is **not** in effect.**
  - Drop area on SL #9 cannot be used.
  - You may concede your opponent's hole or putt or the match at any time. Once a concession is made it cannot be withdrawn.
4. Must be a WWGA Member to play and all play is from the Gold Tees.
  - The maximum course handicap is 38. Players receive their full SL course handicap. Members with a course handicap less than 28 may not play in the Stony Lick Match Play Tournament unless authorized by the Match Play Tournament Chair. This tournament is for members whose handicap index is ~40.6 or more.
  - Net handicap strokes will be calculated based on the lowest handicap player who will play to a "0" handicap (scratch).
5. If a player has to forfeit before playing all their matches, then any points other players won from a match with that player are set to zero.
6. Players must complete all their matches by August 31, 2024 unless authorized by the Match Play Tournament Chair. Points for unplayed matches are "0".
7. Players arriving late for their tee time, but within five minutes, lose the first hole and will start on the second hole. **Players arriving after five minutes are disqualified.**

### 8. Order of Play

- On the first tee, honors shall be determined by a flip of a coin or a tee. After that the Player who won the previous hole shall have the honor. In case of a tie, honors remain with the Player who previously held the honor.
  - During play on a hole, the Player furthest away from the hole shall play first. If a Player plays out of turn on the tee or during play on the hole, the opponent may let it stand or require the Player to cancel the stroke and play in the correct order. Likewise, if a Player plays from the wrong tee. There are no penalty strokes for this.
9. Players may not ask nor give each other advice (Loss of Hole).
  10. Requesting a Ruling – if a dispute arises between the Players and the Players cannot get a ruling in a timely manner, then prior to the start of the next hole, the Player wanting a ruling shall inform their opponent that a ruling will be sought during/after the match. Play shall continue from there. **Players may not play a second ball in match play (Loss of hole if they do).**
  11. Matches may not include players who are not playing in the Match.
  12. Immediately following the end of the match, each Player's scorecard must be signed by both players and placed in the envelope on the Member Wall near the Pro Shop. The winning Player shall record their points won on the Tournament sheet on the bulletin board outside the Pro Shop. All Players' scores from the match shall be posted into GHIN using Par + Handicap Stroke(s) for unplayed holes and their mostly like score for conceded holes.
  13. Any match not completed due to weather (or darkness) must be competed at a subsequent date before September 1, 2025, from where played was stopped. If the match is not completed, then the match points will be those points when the match stopped.