

The Villages Golf Handicap Committee, The Villages, Florida  
How to Post Your Golf Score in the GHIN System:  
**From Your iPhone**

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### **To Load the GHIN App on your iPhone**

On your iPhone, **go to the App Store**

Go to **SEARCH**

Type in **ghin.com**

Select **GET** (there is no cost)

INSTALL the app, **Select INSTALL**

Enter your **ITUNES** password

OPEN the GHIN app, **Select OPEN**

**ALLOW** or **DON'T ALLOW** notifications, your choice, when selecting allow GHIN information and messages are automatically sent to you.

Enter your **GHIN number & Last Name** [small letters], press **LOG IN**

Congratulations you have successfully established the GHIN app on your iPhone

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### **TO POST A Score in the GHIN System your iPhone**

Select the **GHIN** app on your iPhone

Select **POST SCORE**

The GHIN Score Page will appear with the words hello (and your name).

#### **Are you posting a 9 Hole or 18 Hole score?**

In the **Holes box** select the number of holes you are posting for and **select 9 or 18 Holes**. See Handicap FAQ's [frequently asked questions] if you are unsure how to score holes not played during match, medal or inclement weather. For The Villages Handicap FAQ's go to

<http://www.golfthevillages.com/handicaps/index.asp> on the right hand side of the page under the words Handicaps Resources click on [Handicap FAQ's](#). A four page document will appear with the most frequently asked questions regarding the correct scoring procedure for holes not played.

### **Select Search for the course you played**

If the course is in The Villages, start your search with "The V", then all of the Villages championship courses will come up.

In the **Starts With box** click on the arrow [v] and select the first letter of the name of the course you are played. When posting for a course played in The Villages you would **select the letter T**.

### **Select the course you played**

In the **Course box** click on the arrow [v] scroll down to The Villages courses, then select the correct course from the course menu that appears. You can scroll down though this course menu by using the scroll bar on the right hand side of the course menu. Some of The Villages' courses have multiple selection, make certain to select the correct nine-hole combinations you played.

When posting a nine-hole score select the course first displaying the nine-hole course name you played. [Example: you played Torri Pines nine-holes only at the Nancy Lopez course when selecting the course you played, you would select The Villages Nancy Lopez Legacy Country Club – Torri/Erinn as the course played]. When entering a nine-hole score for Tierra Del Sol or Orange Blossom Hills golf courses you will want select the course only.

### **Select the tees you played from**

In the **Tee box** click on the arrow [v] scroll down and select the correct set of tees you played from. This will provide the GHIN system with the correct slope rating for calculation purposes. When posting a nine-hole score select the correct set of tees front or back for the course you played.

### **Select Type, Home or Away, press done**

In the **Type box** select the type of course/round you played [Home / Away / Tournament]. If you are a resident of The Villages, all 12 of The Villages championship golf courses are considered your home course. Therefore if you played one of The Villages championship courses you would select Home. If you played a course outside of The Villages or state you would select Away.

Tournament should seldom to never be selected by a village resident. A 'tournament score' [T score] is a score made in a competition organized and conducted by the Committee in charge of the competition. The competition must identify a winner[s] based on a stipulated round[s], and must be played under the principles of the Rules of Golf. The Handicap Committee in consultation with the Committee in charge of the competition must determine in advance if these conditions are met and announce in advance whether the score must be identified by the letter "T" when posted. In The Villages the announcement for tournament score posting is done on-line. Go to [golfthevillages.com](http://golfthevillages.com), click on the tab [Golfing In the Villages](#), in the drop down box

click on Handicaps, on the right hand side of the next page under the word Handicaps click on Postings. On the new page scroll down to Handicap Committee Notice to see approved "T" scores for the current year in The Villages.

### **Enter the date played**

In the **date box** the current date appears. If this is not the date you played, insert the correct date for the score you are posting by clicking on the gray box next to the date. Then click on the play date of the score you are posting.

### **Enter your score to post in the box marked ESC (Equitable Stroke Control)**

In the **ESC Score box** you will **enter your net score** which is your score less any strokes allowed under the ESC (Equitable Stroke Control) rule. "Equitable Stroke Control" (ESC) is the downward adjustment of individual hole scores for handicap purposes in order to make handicaps more representative of a player's potential ability. ESC sets a maximum number that a player can post on any hole depending on the player's Course Handicap. ESC is used only when a player's actual or most likely score exceeds the player's maximum number based on the table in Section 4-3 of The USGA HANDICAP SYSTEM book. This book can be found on line at:

[//usga.org/Rule-Books/Handicap-System-Manual/Rule-04/](http://usga.org/Rule-Books/Handicap-System-Manual/Rule-04/)

An ESC Example: Your Handicap Index is 19.4 and your course handicap is 19. You scored a 90 for 18 holes played. On one of the holes you had a 9 on another hole you took an 8. Because your course handicap is 19, ESC does not allow you to take more than 7 strokes on any hole. Therefore you need to subtract 3 strokes [ $9-7=2$ ;  $8-7=1$ ] from your score of 90 and post an ESC score of 87. In The Villages we do not use a Nine-Hole Handicap Index (rule 10-5), therefore when posting a nine hole score, you would follow the above instruction based on your 18 hole handicap index.

### **Select POST SCORE**

To **post the score** **select Post Score** box. Congratulations you have now posted your score in the GHIN System. You may disconnect or post another score.

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NOTE: The USGA® Handicap System requires that every member report all acceptable scores for handicap calculation personally, or as otherwise authorized by the committee, as soon as possible after the round is played. In The Villages acceptable scores must be posted within **36** hours of play.

Per a revision in the USGA Handicap System manual, Section 5-1: Acceptability of Scores, effective January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2016, scores made while playing alone will no longer be acceptable for handicap purposes.