

WILD BUNCH RULES

QUALIFICATION:

In order to play in the Wild Bunch a player must be a member of the MGA 9 Golf League. Each player must have an established MGA 9 handicap and be listed on the Wild Bunch eligibility roster in the current year to play in the Wild Bunch. When you have qualified your name will appear on the Wild Bunch Handicap Directory. If you are not on the list – you are not yet qualified.

MGA 9 members who lack the qualifying MGA 9 handicap during the current or just past league season may be allowed to play alongside qualified members as individual players whose strokes would not be part of the scramble score. These non-scramble players would sign up to play on the appropriate sign up page of the Wild Bunch section of the MGA 9 website. A member who does not sign up on the website may play on a space available basis. Non-qualifying MGA 9 members would not be required to pay the Wild Bunch tournament fee.

New members, or returning members not currently eligible to play with the Wild Bunch, who play three or more rounds alongside the Wild Bunch as non-qualifying players between November and March will qualify for MGA 9 weekly tournament places and may play in league scrambles and may begin competition with the Wild Bunch upon completion of their qualifying round and their official handicap entry into the MGA 9 Handicap and Wild Bunch Directories.

SAND BUNKERS:

The team MAY choose to lift the ball from a sand bunker and place it two club lengths outside the bunker, NOT NEARER TO THE HOLE at any time without a penalty stroke. Any strokes taken in the bunker prior to this removal must be counted. After one player has attempted to hit out of a bunker the lift option is removed.

TEES:

Play forward tees (gold) on all courses.

TEAM MAKEUP:

In a FOUR (4)-man team, you must use each player's tee shot twice in the first eight holes. A player, whose drive has been used twice, will not drive again. The person whose drive is selected will not be eligible to hit the second shot. All players will be eligible to hit third and subsequent shots. All players will be permitted to putt on each hole, which means if the selected drive is on the green all players may putt. All players may hit a tee shot on the ninth hole and the captain will select the drive to be used.

In a THREE (3)-man team, use each players tee shot three times. All players hit all shots including putts. Once a player has hit his three tee shots, that player should not tee off again. A three-man scramble will have 4 putts with the captain designating who will be the fourth putter on each hole.

There will be no two- or five-man teams.

PUTTING:

All putts of 18 inches or less from the hole are “gimmies.” If within 18 inches, DO NOT PUTT, pick up and COUNT THAT AS ONE STROKE. NOTE: 18 inches does not mean “inside the leather.” A ball not holed should be removed or marked.

STROKES:

No Mulligans are allowed. A player may not hit a replacement shot for a whiff or muffed shot and have the replacement shot count as playable.

SCORE CARD:

Mark the scorecard with each player’s name and place an X on his line for the hole when his drive is used. Keep a separate line for the team score and total the score. Two team members should sign the scorecard. A player’s official MGA 9 league handicap will be used to handicap the team score. A league official will total and apply the handicap.

FEES:

Players will pay green fees at the pro shop and check in with the league starter at least 30 minutes before his scheduled tee time. Players who have not checked in 30 minutes before assigned tee times may be replaced by substitutes. Players will pay the league starter the tournament fee before play.

SIGN UP OR CANCEL:

Sign up to play the Wild Bunch on this section of the MGA 9 website. Call a Wild Bunch coordinator if you missed the sign-up deadline and wish to play. If there is an open spot or a cancellation you may be allowed a tee time. If you must cancel call the coordinator or notify the scheduled course. If you wish to cancel before the pairings are made do so on the sign-up page.

Policy and Procedures as of January 10, 2020.