

Handicaps for Mixed-Tee Competition

Handicapping for mixed-tee competition (players competing in the *same* flight from *different* tees) is accomplished by modifying Course Handicaps with the difference in Course Ratings between the tees, as prescribed by the USGA:

Section 3-5 in the [USGA Handicap Manual](#) addresses players competing from different tees in the same competition. Different tees usually have different ratings. Because a USGA Course Rating reflects the probable score of a scratch golfer, the higher-rated course is more difficult, and the player playing from the set of tees with the higher USGA Course Rating receives additional stroke(s) equal to the rounded difference between each USGA Course Rating. The additional stroke(s) are added to the Course Handicap of the player playing from the higher-rated set of tees. Decision 3-5/1 covers the case where the majority of the field is playing from the higher-rated tees and allows for the reduction in handicaps for those playing from the lower-rated tees. Furthermore, Section 3-5 prescribes that the correction be applied to the player's Stroke Allowance in events where it differs from the player's Course Handicap.

Your [Tournament Index](#) (TI) in CSGC events is your Local Handicap Index (based on CSGC events only) unless you have fewer than 10 rounds in CSGC events, in which case it is the lesser of your Local Handicap Index and your USGA Handicap Index®. Your Tournament Handicap (TH) for each set of tees is the rounded product of your TI and the Slope Rating (for each tee) divided by 113.

The rounded difference in the Course Ratings at Callippe (as of Jan. 2010) between the Yellow and White tees is $67.7-69.8=-2$ and between the Blue and White tees: $71.5-69.8=+2$, so in either case there will be a two-stroke modification.

This means that if you choose to play from the Yellow tees the number of strokes you receive will be your Yellow-tee Tournament Handicap reduced by two strokes. If you choose to play from the Blue tees the number of strokes you receive will be your Blue-tee Tournament Handicap plus two strokes.

The [Handicaps](#) web-page shows your Tournament Handicaps from all three sets of tees (click on the "Tournament Handicaps" link). Check your handicap from each tee, add or subtract the two-stroke modification for the Blue or Yellow tees, then designate your tee selection when entering a Mixed-Tee event.

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