

MCAC GOLF OPERATING CODE

I. Organization of Coaches Groups and Meetings

A. Membership

1. All current members of the MCAC may participate in the meetings.
2. All MCAC golf coaches will attend the coaches meeting at designating time set by the host school tournament director.
3. Each college shall have one vote.
4. Meetings shall be held at the time of the state golf tournament.

B. Chair and Secretary

1. The MCAC golf coaches President will chair the meeting.
 - a. A secretary will be appointed by the President for each meeting and will keep written records of all business conducted.
 - b. These records are to be turned into the coordinator of the MCAC as an addendum to the minutes.
2. Decisions require a simple majority of the quorum.
3. A quorum shall be 50% plus one of the member schools with voting privileges.

II. Competitive Season

- A. The MCAC competitive season shall be in the fall with 14 allowable dates for competition
- B. Supervised practice will begin in the fall according to the NJCAA national handbook.
- C. National Tournament play will occur in the spring.
- D. The MCAC State/Region XIII Tournament will be held TBA__.
- E. The MCAC non-competitive season will follow the NJCAA national handbook rules.

III. Rules and Regulations

- A. USGA rules shall be used for all MCAC competition.
- B. Regular season meets shall be 18-hole medal play invitational tournaments.
- C. All scheduled golf tournaments should be set up for entries for both men's and women's teams. A school does not have to have both men's and women's teams in order to participate.
- D. A men's team for any MCAC golf tournament shall consist of a minimum of four players and a maximum of five players with the best four scores being used for scoring.
- E. A women's team for any MCAC golf tournament shall consist of a maximum of 5 players, with the best three scores being used to determine the women's team score.
- F. Team winners and medalist in both men's and women's tournament shall be declared.

- G. Schools with less than the minimum number allowed may have their players compete on an individual basis for medalist honors.
- H. Scores may be turned in at the end of each nine holes and posted on a master score sheet.
- I. All putts must be holed out. Putts may not be conceded.
- J. Local course rules shall be followed and explained prior to the start of the tournament.
- K. It shall be the responsibility of the host team to:
 - 1. Send tentative meet dates to all colleges having golf by July 1.
 - 2. The host coach shall be responsible for canceling any meet due to weather conditions and notifying the participating teams.
 - 3. The host coach shall be responsible for stopping any tournament in progress when she or he feels that it is not in the best interest of the participants to continue.
 - 4. The host team should send information regarding direction to golf course, restaurants, and motels to participating schools.

IV Division Organization

- A. As of the fall of 2007 there will be a southern and a northern division.
- B. Teams included in the south (who have golf or may add golf in the future) are: MN West, Riverland, Rochester, and Century.
- C. Teams in the north are: Ridgewater, Fergus Falls, Central Lakes, and Hibbing. All Tournaments are open to any MCAC college.

V. Eligibility

- A. NJCAA Eligibility rules shall be followed.

VI. Awards

- A. The All-Division team will consist of the top 5 Southern Division and the top 5 Northern Division players and a player at-large voted on at the state coaches meeting.
 - 1. For a student-athlete to be eligible for the All-Division Team he/she must participate in four or more events hosted by an MCAC college.
 - 2. The top five (5) scoring averages will be named All-Division. Averages must be posted on the NJCAA website as well as submitted to the MCAC Conference Coordinator.
 - 3. All ties will be included in the All-Division Teams.
 - 4. A player at-large will be voted on at the state coaches meeting.
- ~~B.~~ An All- MCAC Team will be made up of the top five (5) finishers in the MCAC State Tournament for both the men and the women.

VII. MCAC State Tournaments

- A. The MCAC State Tournament shall be scheduled at the MCAC Spring meeting(two years in advance).
- B. 2010 state and region meet will be at TBA and Date to be determined.

1. Both women's and men's tournaments will be played at the same site (city) and dates.
2. The Region XIII NJCAA tournament ~~for men~~ may be held in conjunction with the MCAC State Golf Tournament.

C. Type of Tournament

1. The MCAC Golf Tournament shall be an open tournament for women and men.
2. The tournament shall be a 36-hole medal play tournament played in a two-day period.
3. All ties will be broken by sudden death playoffs beginning on the 1st or 10th hole.
 - a. In the event of a team tie for first, second or third place, there will be a sudden death playoff.
 - b. Only four players may compete for each team in the playoff.
 - c. They shall be the players with the lowest 36 hole totals.
4. Standard USGA Tournament procedures shall be followed as closely as possible.
5. All golfers must hole out. Putts may not be conceded.

D. State Tournament Rules and Procedures: the host college has some flexibility on date, due to course schedule and weather.

1. Team Make-up
 - a. A men's team for the MCAC State Tournament shall consist of a minimum of four players and a maximum of five players with the best four scores being used for scoring each day of the tournament.
 - b. A women's team shall consist of a minimum of three players and a maximum of five players with the best three scores being used for scoring each day of the tournament.
 - c. There is no minimum number a school may enter to compete for individual competition
2. Scores may be turned in at the end of each nine holes and posted on a master score sheet.
3. The team with the lowest two-day total shall be the champion.
4. The individual with the lowest two-day total will be the medalist winner.
5. Tie Breaking Procedures
 - a. In the event of a team tie for championship, there will be a sudden death play-off by the four members of the team with the lowest scores from 36 holes.
 - b. In the event of a tie for first place with respect to individual competition, there shall be a sudden death play-off.
 - c. All other ties shall be decided by matching score cards of the last completed round starting from the first handicap hole until the tie is broken.
6. The tournament shall be decided by the last completed round (18 holes) in the event of inclement weather.
7. Practicing on the course on the day of the tournament will not be permitted.
8. All entries must be in the hands of the tournament director at least four days before the tournament.
9. Standard USGA tournament procedures shall be followed as closely as possible.
10. The decision to cancel a state meet because of weather shall rest with the participating coaches at the time of the tournament.
11. Players must be accompanied to the tournament by a designated faculty representative.

- E. The tournament director shall be either the golf coach representing the institution that hosts the state meet or a person appointed by that coach to assume the director.

- F. Duties of the tournament director shall be:
 - 1. Plan and organize the state meet.
 - a. Send out directions to golf course, motels, and restaurant guide.
 - b. Conduct the tournament.
 - c. Arrange for use of golf club and facilities.
 - d. Prepare both a financial report and a report of final meet results to be sent to the MCAC Conference Coordinator.
 - e. Arrange for award presentation.
 - f. Appoint a rules committee for each day of the tournament made up of three (3) coaches, the tournament director, and the golf pro.

- G. Expenses
 - 1. Each college shall pay its own team expenses.
 - 2. The entry fee will pay for green fees at the host site.

- H. Awards Procedure
 - 1. Announce and present plaques to the Men's team champion and Women's team champion.
 - 2. Announce the top five All-MCAC Team for men and women.

2010 MCAC Fall Golf Schedule

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