

Using the EWGA Golf Life Management System – Course Handicap Calculator

A **Handicap Index** represents the potential playing ability on a course of standard playing difficulty. It is expressed as a number to one decimal point (e.g., 15.1). A **Course Handicap** represents the number of strokes needed *on a given golf course* to play to the level of a scratch golfer (a golfer that plays to a zero handicap index) *from a specific set of tees* on that course.

A Course Handicap can be calculated by taking the Handicap Index of any player multiplied by the Slope Rating of the tees played, and divide by the Standard Slope Rating of 113 with the answer rounded to the nearest whole number.

The EWGA GLMS provides an easy to use **Course Handicap Calculator** to make this easy for you to determine your Course Handicap for any course you are going to play.

To calculate your Course Handicap:

- click on the Course Handicap Calculator, found on your EWGA GLMS Home Page under your Handicap Index on the right hand side of the screen.
- on the Course Calculator screen enter your Handicap Index (found on your Home Page)
- enter the Slope Rating for the specific set of tees you plan to play at a given course – you can find the Slope Rating for each set of tees on the scorecard for that course or by looking up the course in the GLMS Course Search feature
- click calculate and you will see your Course Handicap for that specific course/tees.

For more information on your USGA Handicap Index, visit the Handicaps section of the USGA website, www.usga.org.