



2016 TEAM PLAY ENTRY INFORMATION

Welcome to the 2016 SCGA Team Play season. Your club can be a part of one of the largest and most exciting programs administered by the SCGA. The following information, along with the Team Play Manual, which can be found online at scga.org/tournaments/team-play, is designed to assist you with any questions you may have about the program. Entries must be completed and returned to the SCGA by Monday, November 2.

CLUB ELIGIBILITY: Each club submitting an entry application must be identified as the "club of record" at its facility and must maintain at least one 18-hole (5,000 yards or more in length) golf course. Each club must have a certified Handicap Chair. Certification can be obtained by completing an SCGA Handicap Certification Class, offered throughout the year. Additionally, all clubs must be in compliance with the USGA License Agreement. Without a certified Handicap Chair and updated license, your club will not be eligible to participate in the 2016 Team Play season.

Clubs are limited to entering one team in Thursday play and one team in Saturday play unless the club maintains two 18-hole courses (a club may enter two teams on each day if two 18-hole 5,000 yard courses are maintained). If a club is entering two teams, a separate application must be submitted for each team.

DEFINITION OF TEAM: Each club will submit a team for each of the season's matches. Teams consist of 16 eligible players plus two alternates. Each club is expected to field a team and compete as scheduled in accordance with the guidelines established in the Team Play Manual. A club that withdraws at any time after the entry deadline may be ineligible to compete in Team Play the following year.

PLAYER ELIGIBILITY: Players must be 21 years of age or older as of the date of the match they participate in and must have a Low Handicap Index (LHI) of 18.4 or lower. Individuals with a LHI greater than 18.4 may play, but will be lowered to an index of 18.4 for any match he/she participates in. All players must be listed on the club's membership roster that he/she wishes to compete for as of January 1, 2016. Each player must have 20 scores posted by December 31, 2015, representing rounds of golf played in the year 2015.

GROUP SELECTION: The SCGA encourages clubs to form their own groups for the regular season. The Group Selection Form must be completed and submitted along with the club's entry form. If a club is not part of a group, the SCGA will attempt to pair the club with other clubs that are similar and in geographic proximity. There is no guarantee or presumption that a club that submits an entry without being a part of group will be able to participate in Team Play. The SCGA's decision to pair groups is deemed to be final. The sole remedy of a team that is not assigned to a group, or which is assigned to a group in which it does not want to play, is to withdraw its application and receive a refund of its entry fee.

TEAM PLAY FORMAT: Each club will play a home-and-home match against the other clubs in its group. A team of two players plays an opposing team of two players in a four-ball match (better-ball of partners) and each partner also plays one concurrent single match against an opponent on the opposite team.

HOST CLUB REQUIREMENTS: During the regular season and playoff matches, the host club is required to host green fees for the visiting team (16 players plus two alternates during the regular season and eight players plus two alternates during the playoffs). Clubs within a group may agree to other arrangements, provided all clubs within the group are in agreement. Carts, food and beverages should be made available to the visiting club for purchase.

CONDUCT: The provisions of the Team Play Manual regarding player conduct are incorporated here.

DISPUTES: Teams are encouraged to resolve disputes and disagreements by consensus among the teams affected. If a dispute arises during a match, the team captains of the teams involved are the Committee within the meaning of the Rules of Golf. If those two captains cannot reach an agreement, or if the dispute affects the group as a whole, the dispute shall be referred to all captains in the group, who will serve as the Committee in charge of the group.

ENTRY FEE: \$200. Payment must be received by the SCGA along with this entry no later than Monday, November 2, 2015. Entries may be submitted by mail, fax or email to:

Southern California Golf Association

3740 Cahuenga Blvd.

Studio City, CA 91604

Fax: 818-980-5093

rules@scga.org

The Southern California Golf Association reserves the right to accept or reject any entry at any time.



2016 TEAM PLAY ENTRY AND TEAM CAPTAIN / HANDICAP CHAIR DECLARATION FORM

Club Name: _____ Course(s): _____

Tee Color (home matches): _____ Yardage (home matches): _____

CHECK ONE: ☐ **THURSDAY TEAM PLAY** ☐ **SATURDAY TEAM PLAY**

TEAM CAPTAIN INFORMATION:

Team Captain: _____

Home Address: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Cell phone: _____ Business Phone: _____

Home Phone: _____ E-Mail Address: _____

Note: Module "username and passwords" will be created for Assistant Captains upon request.

TEAM CAPTAIN / HANDICAP CHAIR DECLARATION FORM:

The Team Captain will adhere to all 2016 Team Play rules and regulations. He has reviewed the enclosed "2016 Team Play Entry Information" sheet and agrees to be bound by it. The Team Captain understands that the SCGA is the final authority on matters relating to Team Play.

We understand that valid Handicaps are essential to fair competitions, including SCGA Team Play. We understand that it is part of our responsibility to ensure that members of our Club's SCGA team each maintain a valid Handicap Index, reflecting their potential ability in accordance with the USGA Handicap System Manual. We have controls in place to ensure compliance with the USGA Handicap System Manual by all of our members, including SCGA Team players.

In particular, we have controls in place to ensure that our members post all acceptable scores and do not manipulate their scores by any of the actions listed in Section 8-4c(iv) of the USGA Handicap Manual or by any other means.

To the best of my knowledge, all of our Club's SCGA Team players play golf with their peers in our club using the same Handicap Index they use for SCGA Team Play.

Team Captain Printed Name

Handicap Chair Printed Name

Team Captain Signature / Date

Handicap Chair Signature / Date



2016 TEAM PLAY GROUP SELECTION FORM

The SCGA encourages teams to form their own groups; however, teams also have the ability to submit an entry as a single and allow the SCGA to attempt to place them into a group with fewer than four existing teams. If a team chooses this option, the SCGA will attempt to pair the team with other clubs that are similar and in geographic proximity. A club that submits an entry and is not part of a group is not guaranteed to be able to participate in Team Play. All decisions related to groupings are at the sole discretion of the SCGA and are deemed to be final.

- ☐ **Our club has formed a group of four teams** (complete form below).
- ☐ **Our club has formed a group of three teams and understands that the SCGA may fill our group with a fourth team at the sole discretion of the SCGA** (complete form below).
- ☐ **Our club is not part of a group and authorizes the SCGA to assign us to a group. We understand that this decision is at the sole discretion of the SCGA and that we are not guaranteed a spot in Team Play.**

The following clubs have formed a group that will compete together during the 2016 Team Play Season.

CLUB #1: _____

Captain Name (please print): _____

CLUB #2: _____

Captain Name (please print): _____

CLUB #3: _____

Captain Name (please print): _____

CLUB #4: _____

Captain Name (please print): _____

If your group has arranged its own schedule, please indicate that in the boxes below (see example). Otherwise, the SCGA will arrange your schedule for you.

Example:

| Club | Jan 14/16 | | Jan 21/23 | | Jan 28/30 | | Feb 4/6 | | Feb 11/13 | | Feb 18/20 | |
|---------|-----------|--|-----------|--|-----------|--|---------|--|-----------|--|-----------|--|
| CLUB #1 | @2 | | vs 2 | | @3 | | vs 3 | | @4 | | vs 4 | |
| CLUB #2 | vs 1 | | @1 | | vs 4 | | @4 | | vs 3 | | @3 | |
| CLUB #3 | @4 | | vs 4 | | vs 1 | | @1 | | @2 | | vs 2 | |
| CLUB #4 | vs 3 | | @3 | | @2 | | vs 2 | | vs 1 | | @1 | |

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| CLUB #3 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| CLUB #4 | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Please note if your group is part of any larger grouping (i.e., 8 or 12 teams total). This will assist us with our pairings and playoff brackets.
