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### United States Balf Association (USBA) League Rules

1. Adult Balf League players must be 16 years old or older. Leagues must be played on a United States Balf Association USBA approved Golf Course.
2. A Balf League will consist of (1) League Secretary and a minimum of three other Balfers for a minimum of four (4) consecutive weeks (except for Holiday Conflicts), to qualify for The World Series of Balf the first year. In the next years, the League will need a total of eight (8) League Balfers and eight (8) consecutive weeks (except for Holiday Conflicts) of league play in following years to qualify for the World Series of BALF (WSOB)
3. The cost of being in the Balf League will be the weekly cost of green fees, paid to the course, and will be paid each week before league play begins.
4. An additional cost will be determined by the League Secretary and will be collected the first night of league play to help cover the cost of season end awards.
5. An additional cost of \$10.00 will be collected the first night of league play to become sanctioned by the USBA. All Balf League players must be sanctioned. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** Sanction Fee should be made out to USBA and given to the League Secretary. Optional: \$100.00 will purchase a Lifetime Membership in the USBA.
6. A Balf League Player may obtain a sponsor to help defray league costs. Any sponsorship money must be collected by the player and is solely his or her responsibility.
7. Balf League players must use only sanctioned Balf equipment. All Balfers will use their own Clats. No sharing of equipment will be allowed. Balf Clats will be available to Rookies to use for the first four(4) weeks of competition free of charge. After that period, the Rookie will either have to rent the Clats from the Approved Golf Course or purchase Clats from the League Secretary.

8. Balf League play will be "match play" basis. Who ever wins the most innings of a nine innings match will be given 1 point for the win. The opponent will receive 0 points. One half a point will be awarded in case of a tie. Each player's innings won will be recorded for use in a tiebreaker.

9. The League Secretary will be responsible for keeping all the league stats.. League stats will be each player's won/lost record, players average scores, number of innings won, and each player's Clatting Average. Clatting Average is the number of singles, doubles, triples, and home runs, divided by the number of innings played. Example: 1 single = 1, 1 double = 2, 1 triple=3 for 9 innings of play, 6 divided by 9 = .666 Clatting Average. League Secretary will also be responsible for faxing or E-Mailing the weekly stats to the Balf Commissioner for posting on Balf.Com. A Rookie League will give to the Balf Commissioner the Contact Person at the Golf Course to be used for League Play, the Address and Phone Number of the Course.

10.The Balf League Winner will be determined first by each players won / loss record. The first tiebreaker will be total number of individual holes won during the season. The second tiebreaker will be an individual's Average Score. The third tiebreaker will be an individual's Clatting Average. The fourth tiebreaker will be a toss of the coin.

11.All course and golf rules apply to Balf League Play. Players are allowed a one Clat length radius to move his/her ball from it's original lie.

12.In the event that you can not make your scheduled match, it will be the responsibility of **you and your opponent to make up the match**. You and your opponent will have until the week after the end of normal league play to make up your match. If your match has not been made up by the week after the end of normal league play, you and your opponent will be given 0 won / loss points and 0 match play hole points. **DOUBLE OR TRIPLE MATCHES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED, NO EXCEPTIONS!**

13.If a League Player feels they have tried to make up a match, and their opponent was unwilling or unable to make up the match by the week after the end of normal league play, that player may protest the match by contacting the League Secretary. The Secretary will contact both players and determine if the protesting player will be awarded 5 inning points and 1 point victory and 0 inning points and 0 points to the protested player. The League Secretary's ruling will be final.

14.If a Balf League player should happen to drop out of the league, his or her weekly opponent from that time on will be awarded a one- (1) point victory and five (5) inning points.

15.Any League Player who does not complete the league put on a one (1) year probation. Exceptions may be made under certain circumstances. These exceptions will be up to the League Secretary and the Commissioner of Balf.

16.Probation Balfer – In order for the Probation Balfer to compete in League play the next year; he/she is required to pre pay the full League Scheduled green fees. The League Secretary will collect the green fees prior to the start of League Play. The Probation

Balfer will have to pay each week's green fees as set forth in Rule #3. If the Probation Balfer competes in every scheduled league match, his/hers pre paid green fees will be refunded in full. If any matches are not played; the pre paid green fees will be retained by USBA. The Probation Balfer will be suspended indefinitely.

17. Balf Approved Golf Course will determine weekly match play on either the front or back nine. (if applicable). The League Secretary should try to schedule the alternation of front and back nines when at all possible.

18. Balf League Winner will be eligible for Post season play in the "World Series of Balf". (see rule #10 for tie breakers)

This is your league make it the **BEST IT CAN BE!**

