

**Southern District Women's Golf Association**  
**Guidelines for Southern District Representatives**  
**Telegraph Tournament**

1. It is strongly recommended that the SDWGA Representative be involved in running the Tournament or be on the Tournament Committee to help/advise.
2. The Telegraph Tournament is a one day net tournament to be played at your Club.
3. Participants must be SDWGA members of record. The Tournament may be scheduled on any regular association play day.
4. Participants must putt out on every hole.
5. The maximum handicap index used in the Telegraph Tournament is 40.4 (as suggested in the USGA Handicap System Manual.)
6. Tournament Payouts:
  - a. Each club determines how the SDWGA Dues retained by the Club (\$5.00) is allocated between the two Local SDWGA Tournaments (The del Sud and Telegraph). The \$5.00 retained, by the club, must be used specifically for these two tournaments. If dues are paid after both tournaments have been played, the \$5.00 may be held and added to the prize money for the following year.
  - b. Each club shall have the option of collecting an additional entry fee to augment the prize money for the tournament.
  - c. Depending on the number of members participating in the tournament, it is recommended that multiple flights and multiple payouts be considered.
  - d. Suggested forms of payouts are: credit "on the books" at the Club's Pro Shop, gift cards to a local golf store/shop or a local restaurant, trophies, or other prizes.
7. It should be announced in advance how a tie will be broken:
  - a. 18-Hole Playoff, or
  - b. 3- Hole Aggregate Playoff, or
  - c. Sudden Death Playoff, or
  - d. Scorecard Playoff (per USGA Guidelines – Back nine holes, last six holes, last three holes, last hole).
8. The ESC adjusted scores must be posted for handicap purposes. The Club must determine and announce in advance if tournament conditions qualify these scores to be posted as "T" (Tournament) scores.
9. The name of the Tournament winner should be sent to the SDWGA Website Administrator to be posted on the club information page on the SDWGA website.