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COLUMBIA GOLF

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# MEMORANDUM

From: Kojo Frempong, Manager of Network Service

Subject: Keeping Scores during the Winter Months on the Golf Canada Network

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The World Handicap System (WHS) permits British Columbia Golf to determine a period of time when scores made in specific areas of the province cannot be submitted for handicap purposes because course conditions are exceptionally poor.

Due to the different playing conditions occurring within the various geographical areas of the province, British Columbia Golf has invoked a mandatory inactive season for handicap purposes for *those areas in the province where golf cannot be played year-round*. Posting of all local scores played in British Columbia for handicap purposes is suspended during the period **November 15 to February 28**, for all members in areas where golf cannot be played year-round. This period is mandatory.

**The areas where golf can be played year-round and will have their active season extended are: The Lower Mainland, Fraser Valley and Vancouver Island.**

#### *Procedure during the period November 15 to February 28*

For the areas with an extended active season, as identified above, we will adjust the Course and Slope ratings so that they reflect the winter play conditions. Throughout the winter months, we will continue to monitor and adjust the Course Ratings as necessary.

#### *What Golf Courses in the extended active areas need to do*

If your club is located in an area with an extended active season and you wish to continue posting scores during the period November 15 to February 28, you must notify British Columbia so that the ratings for your course may be adjusted. Only scores made at a course with adjusted ratings are eligible to be posted during the period November 15 to February 28. Scores made at all other courses in British Columbia where ratings have not been adjusted are not acceptable for handicap purposes and **must not** be posted.

#### *When ratings will be restored*

British Columbia Golf, in consultation with local courses, will determine when to restore the regular ratings for the golf courses in the areas with an extended active season.

For all questions please contact us via [support@britishcolumbiagolf.org](mailto:support@britishcolumbiagolf.org).