

## **What is the Cleveland Industrial Golf League?**

The Cleveland Industrial Golf League (CIGL) is was formed in 1934 and is believed to be the longest established league in Cleveland. It is an 18-hole team golf league played on Saturday mornings between April and September. The league consists of 12 teams with between 7 and 20 players on each team. These teams generally play 12 team matches during the regular season to determine the playoff teams. The top 8 teams make the playoffs main bracket while the next four teams play in a consolation bracket.

### **Style of Play**

The style of play in team matches is both match and stroke play. A team fields 6 players for a match against 6 players of the opposing team. A player plays head to head against their opponent on the other team determined by the lineup entered in by the team captains. Players play with full handicaps. The differential in handicap strokes is applied starting with the most difficult hole on the course working backwards as warranted.

### **Scoring System**

The winner of the stroke play receives 8 points. Match play is played on each hole with the winner receiving one point and the loser nothing. A tie is worth 1/2 point each. Each player is also awarded/penalized points for how they individually played against the course average with their net score. For every stroke under the course average a player receives 1 point and loses 1/2 point for every stroke over the course average.

### **Open Events**

When we are not playing team matches we have "Open" events where all can play and even bring guests. There are individual contests that run throughout the year during open events and daily contests. The most prestigious is the Match Play tournament played with full handicap. There is also a 72-hole tournament where the best 4 scores are posted out of up to 5 scores played during the "open" events.

### **Games**

A "skins" game is played weekly and broken down between 2 flights: AA/A and B/C. A player who has paid the \$5 entrance fee and who is the only player with the lowest gross score on a particular hole within their flight amongst those participating in the game will be awarded a "Skin." All skins within a flight are divided equally between all "Skin" holders within their flight.

### **Ball Points**

Ball Points are points awarded to players achieving certain accomplishments. Points are awarded for low overall net score for any given round and by class for low gross and low net for any particular round. Ball points are also awarded during "open" events for 1 Long-Drive hole and 3 Closest-to-the-Pin shots. Points are awarded a dollar figure at the end of the year usually worth \$8 - \$11 per point.

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### **Handicaps**

Handicaps are updated weekly and based on the USGA format. Only scores from the CIGL are considered in the handicap calculation.

### **Website**

The website includes statistics, standings, handicaps and other pertinent information. The website can be found at [www.CIGL.org](http://www.CIGL.org).

### **Fees**

Entry fee to the league is \$50 per player and \$200 per team. Most teams are sponsored but some teams are sponsored by the players on the team dividing the fee equally. All greens fees are paid by the individual player.