



Reciprocity Policy

For many years, the Northeastern Wisconsin Golf Association and its member clubs have had a reciprocity policy in place for when member clubs hosted major NEWGA events. The events that fell under this policy were Mixed Couples, Senior 2 day, NEWGA Open, NEWGA Amateur, NEWGA Best Ball, Ladies Amateur and Ladies Best Ball. When this policy was adopted, these tournaments were 2 or 3 day events that generally closed the courses to member play for the duration of the event. Over the past decade as participation has declined, some of the events have been shortened to 1 day, and events that remain as multiple day events do not tie up the host clubs for the entire day(s) thus allowing for member play.

At the spring meeting of the NEWGA Board of Directors, a discussion was held on the need to continue to have the Reciprocity Policy. Key points of the discussion were that member clubs may not be aware of the policy, tournaments no longer tie up host clubs for multiple days, and most members are not aware of the policy. After discussion, the Board of Directors voted unanimously to eliminate the Reciprocity Policy.

While eliminating the Reciprocity Policy, NEWGA clubs are encouraged to permit members of other NEWGA clubs playing privileges when tee times are available. Each host club determines what shall be charged for playing privileges and the method for payment shall be determined by host club policy.