



To all NSW Club personnel,

The rating of courses in NSW is now more than ¾ completed. Approximately 90% of the Metropolitan clubs have been rated however in some country areas due to the tyranny of distance the ratings are lagging behind. There is a process to follow, the Team comes to your course and physically rates your holes recording all the required information. After your course is rated, the Zone Co-ordinator must complete the paperwork for the sets of tees and depending on the difficulty of the course this exercise can take anything from 3 hours upwards.

With approximately 400 affiliated courses in NSW, with many taking up the option of 4/5 sets of tees rated, the task of auditing each set of tees for each course has become extremely time consuming. 400 courses by an average 4 adds up to 1600 sets of tees and these all have to be thoroughly audited by the State Course Rating Committee (a strict requirement of the USGA system) of which there is one Staff Member and 6 Volunteers. Auditing one set of tees, provided all is on order, takes about an hour to complete. The course then has to be entered on the Golf Australia (USGA) web base and the calculation completed. Web Base access is also limited by Golf Australia to 4 people. The Committee is working through the audit of Clubs in order of the receipt of their ratings.

The Committee is aware that Clubs are keen to receive their new ratings and particularly when other Clubs around them have received their rating but we ask for your patience as our volunteer resources are stretched to the limit, without making the task more onerous than it already is.

As soon as your course is completed Golf NSW will notify the Club and issue a Rating Certificate.

The question has been asked “what if our club is not happy with their new rating?”

If your Captain contacts Golf NSW, you will be provided with a Review Form which will need to be completed and forwarded to Golf NSW. Your Club will be added to a list and will be dealt with systematically and following the completion of all the initial ratings.