

**DELAWARE STATE GOLF ASSOCIATION**  
**MODIFIED CALLAWAY SCORING SYSTEM**

DSGA uses a modified Callaway scoring system during its Frozen Friday events. Depending on your score, you get to deduct a certain number of holes, and the strokes taken on those holes, from your gross score to arrive at your net score, which is used for determining prizes. Also, a scratch golfer may have to add strokes to arrive at a Callaway score.

Gross scores are shown in a matrix (see below) and depending on where the score falls on the matrix results in:

- The number of holes that can be deducted from your gross score, from -0.5 to 6 holes; and,
- A stroke adjustment to the deduction from -2 to +2 strokes.

In a standard Callaway system, you are not able to deduct either of the last two holes because golfers could "work the system" and somewhat engineer their score at the end of a round. That works okay when everyone tees on the same first hole. But, we use a shotgun start and everyone's last holes are different thus making the standard Callaway approach very difficult to score.

The DSGA modified Callaway scoring system **does not** allow you to deduct your worst-scored hole nor one other DSGA randomly-selected hole (called the blind hole). Because no golfer knows this randomly-selected hole, they can't work the system.

**DSGA CALLAWAY MATRIX**

	GROSS SCORES					# HOLES DEDUCTED
	68	69				-0.5
70	71	72			0	
73	74	75	76	77	0	
78	79	80	81	82	1	
83	84	85	86	87	1.5	
88	89	90	91	92	2	
93	94	95	96	97	2.5	
98	99	100	101	102	3	
103	104	105	106	107	3.5	
108	109	110	111	112	4	
113	114	115	116	117	4.5	
118	119	120	121	122	5	
123	124	125	126	127	5.5	
128	129	130	131	132	6	
<b>STROKE ADJUSTMENT</b> →	<b>-2</b>	<b>-1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	

**EXAMPLE:** A golfer shot a gross 102, including a bad back nine with all the worst holes shooting scores of: Hole #10 = 8; Hole #11 = 7; Hole #12 = 7; Hole #13 = 9; Hole #14 = 6. Looking at the chart, the golfer can deduct the 3 worst holes (from the right column) but not the very worst score (Hole 13) or Hole 10 (the blind hole). The golfer can deduct strokes of 7+7+6 = 20 and an adjustment of 2 strokes from bottom row, total of 22 strokes. Callaway score is 102-22 = 80.

[NOTE: If the blind hole for this same golfer was Hole #14, the net score would be 102-8-7-7-2 = 78; this shows how the random hole can make a significant difference.]

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