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There are numerous rules and regulations to be considered in the game of golf. Modifications have been made to the game to allow for persons with disabilities to engage in competitive play. The rules and modifications can be found at www.usga.org.

In the game of golf, an individual is classified according to their handicap. Establishing a handicap is a detailed process. Unfortunately with the recent modifications made to the game of golf for persons with disabilities, there is not an accurate equation to establish a handicap for a person with a disability. Discussions are under way to solve this problem. As professionals wanting to become classifiers, it is important to get involved with different golf courses in your area as well as the USGA Handicap Research Team and the USGA Handicap Committee. Education materials can be found at www.asga.org. Also the National Alliance for Accessible Golf is an organization that is making strides to making the game golf accessible to people with all disabilities. More information can be found at www.accessgolf.org

There are many different pieces of adaptive equipment out there for disabled individuals. Just like any sporting equipment, most of the adaptive equipment must be fit to the individual's specific measurements, and therefore, come in a range of different prices. The following are a list of some of the adaptive equipment available and how to access them.



Single Rider & Adaptive Golf Carts

- ❑ **Solorider** – four wheel adaptive golf cart - 800-898-3353 - www.solorider.com
- ❑ **Fairway Golf Car** – four wheel adaptive golf cart - 800-446-4522 - www.fairwaygolfcars.com
- ❑ **HiRider** – standing rider cart - 800-370-6808 - www.falconrehab.com
- ❑ **Pride Mobility** – four wheel adaptive cart - 800-800-8586 - www.pridemobility.com
- ❑ **Golf Xpress** – four wheel adaptive cart - 989-846-6255 - www.golfxpress.com
- ❑ **WheelsTo-Go** – four wheel adaptive cart - 800-452-2495 - www.wheelsto-go.com
- ❑ **E-Car** – four wheel adaptive cart - 301-846-9974 - www.e-caramerica.com
- ❑ **Model Tee** – four wheel adaptive cart - 530-268-6813 - www.usagpi.com
- ❑ **MDEK Electric Golf Car** – two-seat four wheel adaptive car - 212-726-5710 - www.mdek.com
- ❑ **E-Z-Go Eagle SRC** – four wheel adaptive cart – 800-241-5855 – www.ezgo.com
- ❑ **ParaGolfer** – three wheel cart allowing a person to stand to swing a golf club - 603-860-7891 - teachgolfeasy@aol.com - www.parabasetec.com

Adaptive Clubs & Shafts

- ❑ **The Professional Clubmakers Society** - adaptive clubs for seated golfers - www.proclubmakers.org
- ❑ **Gary Pickle Golf** - adaptive clubmaking - Gary Pickle - 817-684-1128 - www.garypickle.com
- ❑ **Pat Ryan Golf** - adaptive golf clubs for seated golfers – bent hosel – 800-922-6924 – www.patryangolf.com
- ❑ **Reef Shark Clubs** – adaptive golf clubs for seated golfers – 319-268-0939 – www.uprightgolf.com
- ❑ **LaJolla Golf Club** – clubs for junior golfers – 800-468-7700 – www.lajollaclub.com
- ❑ **One Putz Putter** – adaptive putter – 877-785-2870 – www.oneputz.com
- ❑ **Double Duty Divot Repair Putter** – adaptive putter – 843-399-4043 – www.divotrepairputter.com

- ❑ **Precision Pick Up Putter** – adaptive putter – George Cook (NJ) - 609-655-0988 – www.pickupputter.com
- ❑ **UPRIGHT Golf's EGLI SS431 Putter** – adaptive putter – 319-268-0939 – www.uprightgolf.com
- ❑ **Adapta-Club** – specialized club for seated or standing golfers – 888-860-9160 – www.golf-country.com
- ❑ **Gibas Golf Club** – flexible golf shafts (Maxie EZ Swinger) – 800-783-2255 – www.gibasgolf.com
- ❑ **ToT'in Bone'z Golf** – adaptive golf clubs for seated golfers – 877-448-4273 – www.totinbonezgolf.com
- ❑ **UPRIGHT Golf's Putting Pack** – adaptive putter & accessories – 319-268-0939 – www.uprightgolf.com
- ❑ **Yar Golf Putter** – Adaptive pick up putter – 866-996-0047 – www.yargolf.com
- ❑ **Nickel Putter USA** – Adaptive pick up putter – 312-337-7888 – www.nickelputter-usa.com
- ❑ **GAIM GOLF Putter** – Adaptive pick up putter – 877-424-4246 – www.gaimgolf.com
- ❑ **The Yipper Nipper** – Adaptive Putter – 905-476-0313 – yipnpr@ils.net
- ❑ **EZ-Putter** – Adaptive Putter (coming soon) – 810-449-2680 – www.ez-tee.com

Resources for therapist and consumers to learn more about where/how they can participate in golf:

Here are some golf associations & their websites:

- ❑ National Alliance on Accessible Golf: www.accessgolf.org
- ❑ Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities: www.usga.org/playing/rules/golfers-with-disabilities.html
- ❑ Disabled Sports USA: <http://www.dsusa.org/ChallMagarchive/Spring05/challmag-spring05-golfForEveryone.html>

Golf Courses in Arkansas:

- ❑ Direct Link to each golf course contact information: http://golfcourseportal.com/db_listings/Arkansas.php
- ❑ Back Nine Golf Academy: Bentonville, AR: Facility is accessible for disabilities

Possible equipment loan programs and grant opportunities:

- **Magnolia Unlimited Sports:** “Magnolia Unlimited Sports is a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization that helps physically challenged individuals within the greater Mid-South (Mississippi, Tennessee and Arkansas) realize their dream of participating in sporting and recreational activities. We are an organization that is passionate about improving the lives of individuals with physical disabilities through sports and recreation. To fulfill this mission, we help individuals develop the self-confidence and physical skills they need to enjoy the freedom and thrills of participating in all sorts of sports and recreational activities. We also remain committed to enlisting the help of family members, volunteers, and the local communities in helping those individuals with physical limitations reach their possibilities.”
 - <http://magnoliaunlimitedsports.com/default.htm>
- **National Alliance for Accessible Golf-** This program provides financial assistance and resources to help make the game of golf more accessible for persons with disabilities through a grant from the United States Golf Association (USGA).
 - <http://www.accessgolf.org/grants/index.cfm>
- **Disabled Sports USA-** This website gives direct links to different disabled golf associations as well as adaptive equipment resources.
 - <http://www.dsusa.org/programs-equipment-summer-golf.html>
- **United States Golf Association (USGA) -** Grants offered to juniors and individuals with disabilities.
 - <http://www.usga.org/news/2007/December/New-USGA-Grants-For-Juniors-And-Individuals-With-Disabilities/>

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