

Handicap Manual
Section 9-5 (How to Decide Ties In Handicap Competitions)
(iii) Playoff Not Feasible; Matching Score Cards

If a playoff of any type is not feasible, matching score cards is recommended. The method of matching score cards should be announced in advance and should also provide what will happen if this procedure does not produce a winner. An acceptable method of matching cards is to determine the winner on the basis of the best score for the last nine holes. If the tying players have the same score for the last nine, determine the winner on the basis of the last six holes, last three holes, and finally the 18th hole. If this method is used in a competition with a multiple tee start, it is recommended that the "last nine holes, last six holes, etc.:" is considered to be hole 10-18, 13-18, etc.