

Carolinas Golf Association 2019 Ladies' Four-Ball Play Days Rules and Policies

Entry Fee: \$150.00 per team

(Entry fee includes cart, range fees and lunch)

Eligibility

Entry is open to **any** amateur female golfer who is a member of a club that is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association and has a current USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA member club. The minimum age for entry is 13 years as of the event date. A player with more than one handicap index must use the lowest current index. Entries are subject to rejection at any time including during the event, by the CGA or by the club hosting the tournament. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Format and Rules

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Tournament format is 18 holes of four-ball stroke play, both gross and net scores. Lunch will be provided for all players at the host club immediately after play, unless noted otherwise.

Handicaps: A player's Handicap Index is calculated as of the close of entries. 100 percent of a player's course handicap is used to determine net scores. Course handicaps are limited to 45 strokes. If the difference between the partner's course handicaps exceeds eight strokes, an additional 10 percent reduction is applied to both team members.

Teams are pre-flighted according to total team Handicap Index based upon the number of entries. Yardage will be between 4800-5300 yards, based on course restrictions.

Partner substitutions may be made online prior to the close of entries, but any partner substitutions after the close of entries must be made by calling the CGA office. Any on-site partner substitutions may result in the new partner playing at scratch. Cart use is mandatory for tournament rounds and caddies are not allowed (unless otherwise stated on player information sheet). Spectator carts are not allowed. Practice rounds are available at host club's discretion. The CGA monitors handicap score posting and reserves the right to adjust course handicaps and/or withhold prizes for competitors whose handicaps are considered unrealistic or who have participated in a disproportionate share of CGA prize distributions. CGA will automatically post tournament scores for participants as away scores.

Entry Information

Entries are accepted <u>online only</u>; on a first-come, first-served basis. Alternates are ranked in the order which entries are received. Entries close when the allotment of accepted and alternate teams is filled or the entry close date is reached. <u>Online registration opens at 8:00 p.m.</u> on the open date. Teams who are a "No Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are subject to suspension from future ladies' four-ball play days. Tee time requests are not accepted. Entries will not be accepted before or after the open and close date.

Refund Policy

Players who withdraw prior to the tournament date will receive a refund less a \$30 administrative fee. No refunds will be given for withdraws on the day of the tournament. Alternates/wait list teams not gaining entry into the tournament receive a full refund.

Prizes and Merchandise

Merchandise is awarded for low gross and net scores in all flights. Additional prizes will be awarded based on the number of entries. Merchandise certificates are redeemable only at the host club's golf shop. The CGA is not responsible for any unclaimed or unredeemed merchandise certificates after a tournament play date. The CGA will not replace any lost or unclaimed merchandise certificates/gift cards after a tournament is played.

Ladies' Carolinas Cup Tournament

All winners (gross and net) in all flights, and the Top 50 in the Race to the Carolinas Cup (as of November 13, 2019) will be eligible to compete in the Ladies' Carolinas Cup Tournament. The Race to the Carolinas Cup is a points system in which ladies will receive points based on finish and participation in each ladies' four-ball play day. For more information about the Race to the Carolinas Cup, <u>please click here</u>. The Carolinas Cup Tournament will be held at Kiawah Island Resort (Ocean) on December 2, 2019.

Waiver Statement

By submitting this application to the CGA, we agree to abide by all decisions of the CGA Tournament Committee, the CGA Tournament Manual (available online at www.carolinasgolf.org) and the conditions of play pertaining to this tournament. We are aware that disqualification is the penalty for failure to do so. We release the Carolinas Golf Association, its committee members, officers, staff, and host club from any and all liability for any event or consequence relating to entry or participation in this event.