



Carolinan Golf Association 2018 One-Day Four-Ball Tournament Official Entry Form

Entry Fee: \$150.00 per team. Online Entry Only
Entry fee includes cart and range fees

Eligibility

Entry is open to **any** amateur 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 tournament 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. **Player's Handicap Index calculated as of the close of entries.** According to USGA handicap procedures, 90 percent of a men's/95 percent of women's course handicap is used to determine net scores. Course handicaps are limited to **30** strokes. If the difference between the partners' course handicaps exceeds eight strokes, then an additional 10 percent reduction is applied to both team members. Further course handicap reductions are applied based upon the *Multiple Net Winner Course Handicap Reduction Policy*.

Divisions

Teams may choose to compete in any division in which they are eligible. Division options and yardage*: Men A (6500-6900 yards), Men B (6000-6400 yards), Men C (5500-6000 yards), Mixed (one male (5500-6400 yards)/one female (5000-5400 yards)), Women (5000-5400 yards). Teams are pre-flighted according to total team handicap index within their division based upon the number of entries. *Yardage may vary outside of range based upon tournament site and tees available at site. A minimum of four teams is required to create a division. Otherwise, teams in smaller division are combined with another division using the appropriate handicap adjustment for the difference in course ratings. Division changes are not allowed after entries close.

Partner substitutions made within five days of the tournament date must be approved in advance by the CGA office. Any on-site partner substitutions may result in the new partner playing at scratch. Competitors must subscribe to all host club restrictions concerning dress, coolers, etc. Cart use is mandatory for tournament rounds and caddies are not allowed. Spectator carts are allowed except provided in the CGA Tournament Manual. Practice rounds are available at host club's discretion. Metal and ceramic spikes are prohibited. 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 back to player's handicap. Players or teams failing to list all hole-by-hole scores may face suspension from future CGA one-day tournaments.**

Entry Information

Entries are accepted online only, on a first-come, first-served basis. Alternates are ranked in the order which entries are received. Division selection has no bearing on entry or alternate order. Entries close when the allotment of accepted and alternate teams is filled or the entry close date is reached. Tournament schedule, open/close dates, number of available tournament spots at each site and online tournament registration are available at <http://www.carolinanagolf.org/One-Day-Tournaments>. **Online registration opens at 8:00pm on the open date.** Mail or walk-in applications are **NOT** permitted. Confirmation of acceptance is sent to the Applicant. Teams who are a "No Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) will be suspended from the next four CGA four-ball one-day tournaments that they are eligible for including the Tournament of Champions. The suspension will carry forward between seasons if necessary. Tee time requests are not accepted. Entries will not be accepted before or after the open and close date.

Refund Policy

Open Date to Day Prior to Tournament Date: Full refund minus \$30.00 administrative fee refunded regardless of reason if entry accepted into tournament.

Withdraw on Tournament Date: No refund for any reason.

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 divisions. Merchandise certificates are redeemable only at the host club's golf shop. Ties for 1st place or last place will be broken using the USGA recommended method. 1st place winners from each division are eligible for the One-Day Four-Ball Tournament of Champions.

The CGA is not responsible for any unclaimed or unredeemed merchandise certificates after a tournament play date. It is the player's responsibility to claim or redeem a certificate or golf shop credit prior to leaving a tournament site. The CGA will not replace any lost or unclaimed merchandise certificates/gift cards after a tournament is played.

One-Day Four-Ball Tournament Multiple Net Winner Course Handicap Reduction Policy

Individuals or teams who win first place net in three or more events in a calendar season will be subject to reduced course handicaps through the remainder of the calendar year. This rule is in effect for CGA One-Day Four-Ball tournaments, CGA Senior Four-Ball One-Day tournaments or in a combination of these tournament programs. Competitors who qualify for this reduction will be subject to the following course handicap reduction for the remainder of the tournament season, excluding any Tournament of Champions events. After 3rd Win=Additional 20% reduction; After 4th Win=Additional 30% reduction; After 5th Win=Additional 40% reduction, and so forth. If a player wins in three or more events with different partners, only the multi-event net winner will incur the appropriate course handicap reduction.

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.carolinanagolf.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.