



46th South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship of the Carolinas Golf Association

June 13-17, 2018

Furman University Golf Club, Greenville, SC



Entries Open: Exempt – April 19(8:00pm) All – May 3(8:00pm) Entries Close: June 4(11:59pm)

Entry Fee: \$215.00 (Includes all championship cart & range fees)

ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any male amateur golfer who has reached his 13th birthday by June 13, 2018, is a legal resident of South Carolina, is a member in good standing of a club which is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association (CGA) and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at a CGA member club that does not exceed **10.4**. Entries are subject to rejection at any time, including during the event, by the CGA or the host club. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status" as specified in "The Rules of Golf".

College Student Eligibility: A college student is considered a resident of their parent(s)/guardian(s) "Legal Residency Criteria" as stated in the CGA Tournament Manual unless said student (a) has no dependency on his/her parents; and (b) lives full time in South Carolina.

For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the CGA Tournament Manual at the CGA website (www.carolinascgolf.org).

Championship field size=144 players.

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

All players, including those exempt, must register online at www.carolinascgolf.org. Mail-in applications are not accepted for this event. Fax, mail, e-mail, telephone, incomplete, illegible, or entries received before the opening date and after the closing date, are not accepted.

Entries are accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

Exempt players must register between 8:00pm on April 19 and 7:59pm on May 3 to ensure acceptance. Exempt players that sign up after 8:00pm on May 3 and non-exempt players gain entry into the tournament on a first come first serve basis.

REFUND POLICY

Entry fee refund policy schedule:

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

Withdraw on Championship Date; No-Shows: No refund for any reason.

Alternates: Full refund if player does not gain entry into the championship proper.

RULES

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the on-site Rules Committee whose decision will be final. Notice to Players and local rules are posted at host club and distributed at the starting tee(s). The CGA reserves the right to alter the conditions or schedules as stated, including alteration of the stipulated round(s) at any time during the championship including sectional qualifying. The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented. Special requests for starting times or pairings are not granted.

CART/RANGE FEES; GOLF CARTS; CADDIES; SPECTATORS

Championship Site: All championship site cart/range fees are paid by the CGA and included in the entry fee for both stroke play qualifying and match play rounds. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds.

Practice Rounds: Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Caddies: Caddies are allowed. A player may provide his own caddie. Caddies will not be available at host club. Caddie must be over the age of 13.

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: During the play of a hole, either the player or his caddie may ride in a golf cart but not both at the same time. Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player's golf cart at any time. Club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the CGA Tournament Manual.

FORMAT

Championship format is 36 holes of stroke play to determine 32 qualifiers for match play. The defending champion is seeded number one for match play if otherwise eligible.

PRIZES

Champion receives a trophy, merchandise and possession of the permanent championship trophy for the ensuing year. Trophy and merchandise is awarded to the runner-up and stroke play qualifying medalist. Merchandise is awarded to players who advance to match play.

EXEMPTIONS

Players in the following categories are exempt if otherwise eligible. A complete list of exempt players is available on page 2.

1. Champions of the South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship since 2007.
2. Champions of the Carolinas Amateur since 2008.
3. Champions of the SCGA South Carolina Amateur since 2008.
4. Champions of the Carolinas Mid-Amateur since 2013.
5. Champions of the SCGA Mid-Amateur since 2013.
6. Players who qualified for match play at the 2017 South Carolina Amateur Match Play Championship.
7. 2017 Carolinas Senior Amateur champion.
8. 2017 SCGA South Carolina Senior Amateur champion.
9. 2017 CGA South Carolina Junior Match Play champion.
10. 2017 Carolinas Junior Boys champion.
11. 2017 SCGA South Carolina Junior champion.
12. 2018 Carolinas Four-Ball champions.
13. 2017 Carolinas Senior Four-Ball champions.
14. 2017 Carolinas Men's Player of the Year
15. 2017 Carolinas Senior Men's Player of the Year.
16. 2017 Carolinas Junior Boys Player of the Year.
17. Players ranked in the Top 50 of the CGA Carolinas Men's Amateur Rankings as of the opening date.
18. USGA individual or four-ball champions since 2013.
19. 2017 USGA Championship qualifiers.
20. Most recent Walker Cup team members.
21. Two exemptions for championship host club.
22. Special exemption bestowed by the CGA.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 12

Tee times available for practice.

Wednesday, June 13

First round of stroke play qualifying.

Thursday, June 14

Second round of stroke play qualifying.

Cut to low 32 players for match play.

Friday, June 15

First and second round of match play (18 holes each round).

Saturday, June 16

Quarterfinal and semifinal rounds of match play (18 holes each round).

Sunday, June 17

Championship match (18 holes).

CONTACT INFORMATION

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