

21st Carolinas Senior Women's Amateur Championship

Conducted by the Carolinas Golf Association

Gaston Country Club, Gastonia, NC

October 1-2, 2019



ELIGIBILITY

Entry is open to any female amateur golfer who has reached her 50th birthday by October 1, 2019, maintains a residence in North Carolina or 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. 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 as defined by the [CGA Code of Conduct Policy](#) or cell phone use during a round. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status" as specified in the "Rules of Golf". For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the [CGA Tournament Manual](#).

Tournament Field Size: 96

ENTRY WINDOW 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.

Entry Fee: \$150

Exempt Players: Entries open on July 30, 2019 and close on September 24, 2019. Exempt players should register by August 13 to ensure acceptance.

Non-exempt Players: Entries open on August 13, 2019 and close on September 10, 2019.

Entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis after they open for all players on September 24, 2019.

The CGA is not responsible for errors or delays by any internet service provider. Entries are only accepted between the open and close dates as stated above. Confirmation of acceptance is sent to players when their status is determined. The appropriate entry fee must be paid at time of registration. **Players who "Did Not Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are suspended from next year's Carolinas Senior Women's Amateur Championship.**

REFUND POLICY

Entry fee refund policy schedule:

Open Date to Day Prior to Championship Date: Full refund minus \$30 administrative fee regardless of reason if entry accepted into championship.

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

INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY

Every effort will be made to complete all scheduled rounds. There are no refunds if the tournament is shortened due to weather. If the entire tournament is cancelled, a full refund will be issued to all players.

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 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

Practice Rounds: Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds.

Championship Rounds: Daily cart and range fees are included in the entry fee. Cart use is mandatory during championship rounds by either the player or her caddie. A player's equipment must be transported on her assigned cart.

Caddies: Caddies are allowed for championship rounds. A player may provide her own caddie. Caddies will not be available at host club.

Caddie/Spectator Cart Policy: During the play of a hole, either the player or her 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

The championship is contested at 36 holes of stroke play with a *Championship Division* and *Carolinas Division* (shorter course). Players have the option to compete in either the Championship Division or Carolinas Division. Players are pre-flighted within their division based on Handicap Index. The overall champion can come from any flight within the Championship division. The Carolinas division plays a shorter course and is ineligible for the overall championship.

Championship Division Yardage: 5500 yards (approximately)

Carolinas Division Yardage: 4900 yards (approximately)

PRIZES

Prizes and merchandise are awarded to the overall champion. Merchandise is awarded to gross and net winners in each flight in each division. Gross winners are ineligible for a net prize and vice versa. A tie for the overall champion is decided by an on-course playoff. All other ties are broken by a score card playoff. A prize for the low super senior (age 65+) will be awarded in the Carolinas division.

VIRGINIAS-CAROLINAS WOMEN'S TEAM EXEMPTIONS

The overall champion team will automatically qualify for the 2020 Carolinas Team that will compete in the Virginias-Carolinas Women's Team Matches in 2020 (site and date TBD).

EXEMPTIONS

Players in the following categories are exempt if otherwise eligible.

1. Champions of the Carolinas Senior Women's Amateur Championship since 2009.
2. Champions of the North Carolina Senior Women's Amateur Championship since 2009.
3. Champions of the Women's South Carolina Golf Association Senior Championship since 2009.
4. Senior playing members of the 2018 Carolinas Women's Team.
5. Players ranked in the Top 25 of the CGA Carolinas Senior Women's Amateur Rankings as of July 1, 2019.
6. Players who finished 10th or better in the 2018 Carolinas Senior Women's Amateur Championship - Championship Division.
7. USGA individual champions since 2014.
8. 2018 USGA Championship qualifiers.
9. One exemption for championship host club.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Monday, September 30

Tee times available for practice.

Tuesday, October 1

First round. 18 holes of stroke play (tee times).

Wednesday, October 2

Final round. 18 holes of stroke play (shotgun).

Luncheon and awards presentation immediately following play.