



# 38<sup>th</sup> SC Junior Match Play Championship

## Dataw Island Club (Cotton Dike) St. Helena Island, SC

### July 7-10, 2015



#### *Local Rules*

##### **Tees to Play**

Boys will play the CGA black tee markers and girls will play from the CGA green markers.

##### **Out of Bounds**

Out of bounds is defined by the inside points of tall white PVC stakes and white 1.5" wooden stakes at ground level; by white lines tying into white stakes, fences and roads (the line itself is OB); by the inside edge of all roads and beyond even if your ball comes to rest on another part of the golf course; by the fence right of #17 green. Note: short white PVC stakes with or without green tops are property lot markers not OB stakes.

##### **Drop Zones**

As an additional option under the applicable rules, the following Drop Zones (denoted: "CGA DZ") may be used:

**#5:** Located on forward tee (90 yards) for a ball that enters the water hazard.

**#16:** Located on forward tee (105 yards) for a ball that enters the water hazard.

**#18:** Use nearest DZ, no nearer the hole, for a ball that enters the lateral water hazard through the bunker.

\*Disregard any other club drop zones.

##### **Ruin Areas and Obstructions**

The ruins located behind #2 green, left of #3 fairway and behind #9 green are immovable obstructions. Relief is also available for a ball coming to rest in the oyster shell area behind #9 green surrounding the ruins.

Birdhouses are deemed to be immovable obstructions.

##### **Water Hazard Bulkhead on #18**

The margin of the water hazard adjacent to the bunker is defined by the water side edge of the bulkhead. The bulkhead is deemed to be an integral part of the course (no free relief).

##### **Crushed Shell Areas**

Crushed shell areas are through the green.

##### **Landscaped Areas and Flower Beds**

Landscaped areas and flower beds are through the green. No free relief.

##### **Restrooms/Shelters & Suspension of Play**

Restrooms and shelters are located at the clubhouse, #4 tee and #15 tee. If play is suspended for a dangerous situation, players should return to the clubhouse.

##### **Slow Play**

Pace of play guidelines are given on the back of this page. Each group is expected to keep pace with the group ahead. Individuals in groups out of position may be timed without warning.

##### **Qualifiers**

**Boys:** The top 63 qualifiers advance to match play.

**Girls:** The top 15 qualifiers advance to match play.

If there is a tie for the last spot in the match play field, a sudden death playoff will be played beginning on a hole TBD. It is the player's responsibility to be available for any playoff they are part of.

##### **Carolinas Junior Team**

The girls' champion will be invited to compete on the Carolinas girls' team in the Mid-Atlantic Girls' Team Matches at River Landing CC in Wallace, NC on July 25-26, 2015.

The boys' champion will be invited to compete on the Carolinas boys' team in the Carolinas-Virginias junior team matches at Boonesboro CC in Lynchburg, VA on August 8-9, 2015.

##### **Medalist Trophy**

The low qualifying score in each division will be awarded the medalist trophy. A tie for the qualifying medalist will be broken by a sudden death playoff beginning on hole #1. It is the player's responsibility to be present for any playoff they may be part of.

##### **Rules Committee**

Dave Britton    Larry Beidelman    Mark Durishan    Jason Cox



# Notice to Players

**2012-15 USGA Rules of Golf and the local rules on both sides of this sheet govern play at this CGA championship.**

**Disregard local rules printed on the club score card.**

**CADDIE POLICY:** Caddie cannot be over the age of 18. During the play of a hole, the player and his caddie may not ride in a golf cart.

**THE ONE-BALL RULE IS NOT IN EFFECT:** Any golf ball may be used in this CGA Championship; however, the ball must appear on the USGA Conforming Ball List.

**LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS:** Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.

**TIME OF STARTING:** A player is responsible for being at the assigned tee promptly to begin play on time. A player should arrive at the assigned tee prior to the player's starting time in order to receive all information. Players will not be called to assigned tees. Official starting clocks are located on the starting tees.

If a player arrives late but within five minutes after the assigned starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes in stroke play or loss of hole in match play at the first hole (Rule 6-3a).

**DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE: In stroke play only,** when during play of a hole a competitor is doubtful of his rights or procedure, he may, without penalty, complete the hole with two balls. After the doubtful situation has arisen and before taking further action, the competitor must 1) announce to his marker or a fellow-competitor that he intends to play two balls and 2) which ball he wishes to count if the Rules permit. The player **MUST** report the facts of the situation to the Rules Committee before returning his score card. If he fails to do so, he is disqualified (Rule 3-3).

**In match play,** if a doubt or dispute arises between the players, a player may make a claim. If no duly authorized representative of the Committee is available within a reasonable time, the players must continue the match without delay. The Committee may consider a claim only if the player making the claim notifies his opponent (i) that he is making a claim, (ii) of the facts of the situation and (iii) that he wants a ruling. The claim must be made before any player in the match plays from the next teeing ground or, in the case of the last hole of the match, before all players in the match leave the putting green (Rule 2-5).

**EMBEDDED BALL:** "Through the green", a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course through the green. *Exceptions:* 1. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the ball is embedded in sand in an area that is not closely mown. 2. A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule makes the stroke clearly impracticable.

**WATER HAZARDS:** Water hazards are identified by yellow stakes and defined by yellow lines. Lateral water hazards are identified by red stakes, defined by red lines and include unmarked drainage ditches and other open water courses. When a lateral water hazard is defined on only one side, it is deemed to extend to infinity. When water hazards and lateral water hazards are bounded by out of bounds, the hazard margin extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line.

**GROUND UNDER REPAIR:** Defined by white lines. Fire ant hills and French drains are ground under repair. White-lined areas tying into cart paths are part of those obstructions. Sod seams (not the sod itself) are deemed to be ground under repair, and relief is available under Rule 25-1 if the ball lies in or touches a sod seam or the sod seam interferes with the area of intended swing. All seams and edges within the sodded area are considered the same seam or edge.

**INTEGRAL PARTS OF COURSE:** Include cables, rods, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees; artificial walls and pilings when located in hazards, unless otherwise denoted.

**PLAYOFF:** Matches not determined after 18 holes (after 36 holes in the final match) will be played off from the first hole played in the match unless indicated otherwise. A playoff to determine match play spots will begin at the first tee (unless indicated otherwise) when such a situation is determined. Players are responsible for making themselves available.

**TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:** Greenside fans, starting, scoring and concession tents are deemed to be temporary immovable obstructions (TIO's). See page 131 of the 2012-15 Rules of Golf for interference and relief procedure.

**CELL PHONES:** Except for emergencies, rulings, viewing tournament leaderboard or use as a distance measuring device, cell phone use during a stipulated round is prohibited. First Offense-Warning; Second Offense-Disqualification (Rule 33-7).

**STONES IN BUNKERS:** Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions.

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** In this competition, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

**AERATION HOLES:** Through the green, a ball that comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be lifted, without penalty, cleaned and dropped, as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole. On the putting green, a ball that comes to rest in or on an aeration hole may be placed at the nearest spot not nearer the hole that avoids the situation.

**IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS CLOSE TO THE PUTTING GREEN (BALL IN CLOSELY MOWN AREA):** Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 24-2. In addition, if a ball lies off the putting green **and in a closely mown area through the green** and an immovable obstruction on or within two club-lengths of the putting green and within two club-lengths of the ball intervenes on the line of play between the ball and the hole, the player may take relief as follows: The ball must be lifted and dropped at the nearest point to where the ball lay that (a) is not nearer the hole, (b) avoids intervention and (c) is not in a hazard or on a putting green. The ball may be cleaned when lifted.

**SLOW PLAY: In match play,** a player discovered taking more than 40 seconds to play a stroke is subject to a warning for slow play and will be advised of the fact. The player will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds on one more occasion will result in a loss of hole penalty. A second violation will result in a loss of hole penalty, and a third violation will result in a penalty of disqualification from the championship.

**In stroke-play qualifying,** a player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds is subject to a warning and will be so advised. The player will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds on one more occasion will result in a penalty of one stroke. A second violation will result in a two-stroke penalty, and a third violation will result in a penalty of disqualification from the championship.

A player's time to play begins when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball and when it is the player's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than one competitor in a group may be penalized.

**SUSPENSION OF PLAY:** Signaled by three short consecutive air horn blasts. Players in the process of playing a hole may complete the hole. Players in between the play of two holes must stop play immediately.

**SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION:** Signaled by one long air horn blast. All players are informed of the suspension verbally. All play must cease immediately. All practice areas are closed during a suspension of play, until the Committee has declared them open again.

**RESUMPTION OF PLAY:** Signaled by two short consecutive air horn blasts.

**SCORE CARD:** In stroke play qualifying, a score is deemed returned when the result is posted on the scoreboard.

**REPORTING MATCH RESULTS:** Players should report the final score of the match to the official scoreboard as soon as possible.

**CLOSE OF COMPETITION:** The competition is deemed to have closed when the championship trophy has been presented to the winner or in stroke play qualifying followed by match play, when the player has teed off in his first match.