68th Carolinas Junior Championship



Cabarrus CC Concord, NC July 25-27, 2017



## LOCAL RULES

## TEES

Boys will play the CGA blue tee markers.

## OUT OF BOUNDS

Out of bounds is defined by the inside points of white stakes and white stakes with pink ribbons at ground level; by white lines tying into white stakes, fences and roads; by the chain-link fence on holes #11 and #16; by the fence right of #4 fairway; by the wire fence posts right of #5 tee. Driving range is out of bounds and is defined by white pipes.

## **DROPPING ZONES**

Disregard all other ball drops on course, including 'greened out' ball drops. As an additional option under the applicable rule, the following dropping zones (denoted "DZ") are provided:

#2: located at end of fairway for a ball that enters the water hazard.

**#12:** use nearest DZ for a ball that enters the lateral water hazard behind the putting green.

#15: located right of the pond and next to cart path for a ball that enters the water hazard or lateral water hazard.

**#17:** located adjacent to cart path next to putting green for (a) without penalty for interference by the cart path beyond the pink dot or (b) under penalty of one stroke for a ball that enters the lateral water hazard beyond the pink dot.

**#18:** located right of the cart path adjacent to practice bunker for interference by the practice putting green or practice bunkers right of the putting green.

## OBSTRUCTIONS

Split-rail fences, stone walls, loose gravel, gravel roads/walkways, mulched paths and railroad ties located adjacent to cart paths are deemed part of the path.

Areas encircled by a cart path are deemed part of the obstruction.

Ropes and stakes supporting trees are immovable obstructions. Relief may be taken only if a rope or stake interferes with stance or area of intended swing.

## WRONG PUTTING GREENS

All practice putting and chipping greens are deemed wrong putting greens. Free relief is mandatory. Drop the ball within one clublength of the nearest point of relief, not nearer the hole. See "Dropping Zones" for Hole #18 practice area.

#### MULCHED AREAS AND FLOWER BEDS

Mulched paths and walkways is an obstruction. All other mulched plant beds, mulched tree basins and flower beds are through the green (no free relief).

#### HOLE #13 WATER HAZARD WHILE PLAYING HOLES #11 AND #12

While playing holes #11 and #12, the water hazard in front of #13 tee may be played as a lateral water hazard.

#### LATERAL WATER HAZARDS

The lateral water hazards right of #8 (up to white stakes) and #9 extend to infinity.

## **RESTROOMS/SHELTERS/SUSPENSION OF PLAY**

Restrooms and shelters are located on #5 tee and in the clubhouse. If play is suspended for a dangerous situation, players should return to the clubhouse immediately. All practice areas will be closed during a suspension of play for a dangerous situation until the Committee declares them open.

#### SPIKE POLICY

Cabarrus CC is a soft-spike facility. Penalty for non-compliance is disqualification.

### **CELL PHONES AND RULINGS**

Except for emergencies, rulings, viewing tournament leaderboard or use as a distance measuring device, cell phone use is prohibited during play at CGA events. A player will be warned for the first offense followed by disqualification for the second offense. In case of a ruling, call the Cabarrus CC Golf Shop at 704-786-8154 and a rules official will be dispatched to your location.

# **Notice to Players**



USGA Rules of Golf effective January 1, 2016 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 unless authorized by the rules committee.

**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 at the first hole (Rule 6-3a). **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.

**RULE 3-3** - **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 1) should 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 <u>MUST</u> report the facts of the situation to the Rules Committee before returning his score card. If he fails to do so, he is disqualified.

**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:** A hole-by-hole playoff to determine the champion 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 147-149 of the 2016 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 use a device to measure distance only. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a function to measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.); the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

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.

ELEVATED POWER LINES: If a ball strikes an elevated power line or cable, the stroke must be canceled and replayed, without penalty (see Rule 20-5). If the ball is not immediately recoverable, another ball may be substituted.

**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.

BALL AT REST MOVED ON PUTTING GREEN - When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment. The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced.

This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Players must not use automotive transportation during a stipulated round except from rules committee members or where allowed by the committee. A player may accept transport from a rules committee member or parent if, under a rule, the player needs to return to the spot from which the last stroke was played. Transportation to a restroom is allowed. *Penalty for Breach of Transportation Rule:* Two strokes for each hole at which any breach has occurred; Maximum Penalty per Round: Four strokes. If a violation is not discontinued upon its discovery, the player will be disqualified.

**PACE OF PLAY:** A group that is out of position will be advised of the situation and the individuals may be timed. The players will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds to play their next shot will result in a warning. A second violation will result in a one stroke penalty. A third violation will result in a two stroke penalty followed by disqualification for a fourth violation.

A player's time to play begins when the player has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his or her 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:** A score is deemed returned when the score is posted on the scoreboard.

CLOSE OF COMPETITION: The competition is deemed to have closed when the championship trophy has been presented to the winner.