

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

This information supplements the CGA Hard Card and Player Handbook.
Disregard course-posted Local Rules and the information on the course scorecard.



42nd CALIFORNIA SENIOR WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP THE RANCH COURSE AT ALISAL MONDAY – WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5 – 7, 2020

1. **PACE OF PLAY:** The maximum allowable time is **4 hours and 37 minutes**. Please refer to the championship's Pace of Play Policy for further details.
2. **TEE MARKERS:** All play will be from the California Amateur Championships tee markers, wherever they are situated.
3. **36-HOLE CUT:** After 36-holes, the field will be cut to the low 30 players and ties. Ties for pairings purposes will be broken by "return sequence" based upon the second-round pairings position.
4. **OUT OF BOUNDS:** Out of bounds is defined by white stakes and perimeter fence posts. When both stakes and fencing are present, the stakes take precedence.
5. **PROTECTION OF YOUNG TREES (Model Local Rule E-10):** The young trees identified by stakes are no play zones and if a player's ball lies anywhere on the course other than in a penalty area and it lies on or touches such a tree or its well or such a tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the player **must** take relief under Rule 16.1f.
6. **DROPPING ZONES:** During the play of Hole 5 and Hole 7, if a ball is in the penalty area, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player may:
 - Take relief under Rule 17.1, adding one penalty stroke, or
 - As an additional option, drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone for that hole (short of the penalty area on Hole 5 and behind the putting green on Hole 7), adding one penalty stroke. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
7. **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:** The flower bed behind the putting green on Hole 8, encircled by the cart path, is treated as part of that same obstruction. Free relief is available under Rule 16.1.
8. **SPECIAL CLARIFICATIONS:**
 - a. **Bunkers:** When a player's ball lies in a bunker, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball within one club-length, not nearer the hole than where the ball lay, in the same bunker. The relief area cannot be improved before the ball is replaced.
 - b. **Flagsticks:** The flagstick must not be moved or deliberately touched by hand during the round, including with a gloved hand or a towel wrapped around the flagstick. Any player who deliberately ignores this will be considered in violation of the Code of Conduct and may incur a penalty.
 - c. **Holing Out:** In the event a device is used to modify the hole to minimize shared contact points (such as an inverted hole liner), the device is treated as part of the flagstick, and if any part of the ball is below the surface of the putting green and is resting on that device or leaning against the flagstick, the ball is treated as holed. However, a ball that hits the device and does not come to rest with any part of the ball within the hole below the surface of the putting green is not holed.
 - d. **Scoring:** A scorecard is considered returned once it has been verbally certified by the player and her marker in the presence of the Committee and the player has left the scoring area.
9. **DECIDING TIES / AWARDS:** In the event of a tie for first place only, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff following the conclusion of regular play. Ties for 2nd or 3rd place will be issued duplicate awards. A Super Senior Award (age 65 or older) will be issued to the contestant with the low 36-hole total. If two or more Super Seniors advance to the final round, their 54-hole total will determine the champion.
10. **FINAL DECISIONS ON DISPUTED POINTS** will be made by Matt Pawlak, Ryan Farb, Mike Weeks, Joan Caldwell and Judy Altschuler.