

2023 CIF/SCGA SoCal Regional Girls Golf Championship



Thursday, November 9, 2023

**Los Serranos Golf Club (North)
Chino Hills, CA**

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On behalf of the Southern California Golf Association (SCGA), congratulations on qualifying for the CIF/SCGA Southern California High School Championship. Many of Southern California's finest players have participated in this prestigious tournament along the way to exciting careers in golf, and we hope this event is a stepping stone for you as well.

As your leading regional golf authority, the SCGA is proud to sponsor this event as well as other junior golf programs through our SCGA Junior Foundation. With the SCGA's support, this championship is run by some of the best rules officials in the state at the Los Serranos Golf Club, North Course in Chino Hills. For over twenty years, Los Serranos has hosted qualifiers for the California Amateur Championship, and the Los Angeles Open, now the Genesis Open.

This year you can look forward to live scoring coverage during the championship, which can be found on scga.org/girlscif. We hope you enjoy the experience of playing in an SCGA championship.

We also encourage you to become a member of the SCGA if you are not already. As a competitive golfer, you can use your SCGA Handicap Index to pursue several of the nation's top championships, such as the U.S. Girls' Junior Championship, the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship, the SCGA Women's Amateur Championship, the California Women's Amateur Championship, and the Southern California Junior Amateur Golf Championship. In addition, an SCGA membership offers numerous benefits. Best of all, the SCGA does not charge an annual fee if you are under 18. Among the many benefits of an SCGA membership:

- *Rules of Golf* education and assistance,
- discounted green fee opportunities,
- access to the Southland's top golf courses,
- golf news and highlights via scga.org and the SCGA's FORE Magazine,
- access to the FORE Her Newsletter,
- and an SCGA-USGA Handicap Index.

For more information on the benefits of an SCGA membership, please visit scga.org.

Again, congratulations on qualifying for this wonderful event. Best of luck during the championship.

Sincerely,



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Los Serranos GC (North)



CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION
7:30 a.m. SHOTGUN START

The CIF Commissioners are responsible for distributing this notice. All contestants and coaches should receive a copy.

In the case of unforeseen circumstances, the CIF State Office reserves the right to change Championship dates, times, and locations in the best interest of all involved.

LOCATION:

Los Serranos Golf Club
15656 Yorba Ave.
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 597-1711

SIZE OF FIELD:

Central Section:	Up to 12 individual entries plus two 6-person teams	
L.A. City Section	Up to 12 individual entries plus two 6-person teams	
San Diego Section	Up to 12 individual entries plus two 6-person teams	
Southern Section	Up to 28 individual entries plus four 6-person teams	TOTAL FIELD = 124

NOTIFICATION OF QUALIFIERS: All entries must be submitted to the SCGA office via email, by Friday, November 3, 2023, to Matt Pawlak: mpawlak@scga.org (**EARLIER SECTIONS PLEASE EMAIL A.S.A.P.**) Commissioners will be responsible for submitting the entries.

THURSDAY MORNING REGISTRATION: Upon arrival on November 9, coaches will be responsible for registering their team or individual player(s) at the registration table, which will be located under the SCGA tents adjacent to the practice area. The registration table will open at 6:00 a.m. **Each player must be accompanied by a coach or authorized school representative when registering at the tournament site.**

ALTERNATES/SUBSTITUTIONS: Each CIF Section shall be responsible for designating substitutes in the event of any cancellations. A vacancy may be filled only by the next qualified substitute from the section involved, upon authorization from the CIF Section Commissioner. Substitutions on the day of the tournament, for the individual competitions will not be permitted. Alternates *are not* to show up as a *standby* the day of competition. **Substitutes will be paired in the same position in the team pairings as the players they have replaced.**

PAIRINGS & STARTING HOLES: **7:30 a.m. shotgun start.** Pairings and starting holes will be posted online at scga.org/girlscif and the CIF website cifstate.org on Monday, November 6th by 5 p.m. All players participating in the championship must report to the cart staging area for final instructions no later than 7:10 a.m. the morning of the championship.

DRESS REQUIREMENTS: **Players and Coaches** must be attired in collared golf shirts (mock golf shirts are allowed as are golf shirts without collars with sleeves), slacks, or shorts, skirts or skorts no shorter than mid-thigh. Players and coaches must wear soft spiked shoes. **T-SHIRTS, TANK TOPS, JEANS (denim) OF ANY COLOR OR ANY TYPE WILL NOT BE PERMITTED.**

PRACTICE ROUNDS: CIF Bylaw 504.M. Sunday Restrictions are still in effect. Contact Los Serranos Golf Club in advance to book a practice round on a space available basis. Please identify yourself as a participant of the championship. Normal rates will apply for practice rounds.

RULES: Play is governed by the Rules of Golf, effective January 2023. Local Rules which apply during the tournament will be distributed to all contestants when they arrive at registration. Each player understands and agrees to observe all regulations and conditions set forth by the SCGA Tournament Committee. Any questions shall be settled by the SCGA Tournament Committee whose decision shall be final.

COACHING: Limited communication between designated coach(es) and player(s) is permitted according to the rules stipulated in Rule 24.4. All coaches are required to sign and submit at the event a copy of these rules indicating that they have read and understand the rules. Other than this limited communication, Rule 10.2 (Advice - see section immediately below) from the Rules of Golf applies.

SPECTATORS: All spectators should remain at a safe distance away from players when watching. They should remain on cart paths (not delaying the group behind them) and should not walk on the fairways or putting greens. **Please note:** All spectators must complete the [Spectator Liability Form](#) (also available at the course) and turn the completed form in to the SCGA/CIF representatives at registration.

All spectators can view live scoring at scga.org/girlscif.

ADVICE: Participants are reminded of Rule 10.2 (Advice) of The Rules of Golf which specifically prohibits players from receiving any counsel or suggestion from anyone, (including their parents and other players, etc.) which could influence them in determining their play, the choice of a club, or the method of making a stroke. Note: Information on the Rules of Golf, distances to a hole location, and Local Rules for this tournament are not considered to be advice.

TEEING GROUND YARDAGES: Play for the individual and team competition will be from a combo yardage. For exact hole by hole yardages please refer to the yardage locations page found below, or on the Yardage Information tab found on the [Championship Portal](#).

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION:

124 players will play 18 holes of stroke play. All players' who have qualified for the individual competition or student team in their respective CIF sectional play-offs shall be eligible to compete in this category.

INDIVIDUAL TIES:

In the event of a tie for 1st place of the individual championship, a hole-by-hole playoff will be conducted to determine the champion. All other ties will be broken using the USGA suggested method of matching scorecards. [Committee Procedures: Section 5A \(6\)](#)

TEAM COMPETITION:

The teams representing each CIF Section will consist of six players, and the best five of the six players' scores will be counted in determining the team champion and runner-up and third place. All teams that have qualified in their respective CIF sectional play-offs shall be eligible to compete in this category.

TEAM TIES:

In the event of a tie in team championship, the tie will be decided by totaling the 6th person's score to the team total. If the teams are still tied the tie will be broken by using the USGA suggested method of matching scorecards ([Committee Procedures: Section 5A \(6\)](#)), which totals the scores of all six players on each team for holes 10-18, if still tied holes 13-18, if still tied holes 16-18 and if still tied hole 18. Note: if after this procedure, they are still tied, the same procedure will be used with holes 1-9.

AWARDS: Following the completion of play, CIF will present team awards to the champion and runner-up teams, further awards will be presented to the first six place finishers in the individual competition. The SCGA will present awards to the top individual qualifier and all participants on the 1st place qualifying team. The award ceremony will take place on the patio outside of the clubhouse.

STATE CIF CHAMPIONSHIP: The top 3 teams and top 9 individuals (not already on a qualifying team) will advance to the State Championship on Wednesday, November 15, 2023 at Poppy Hills GC.

Poppy Hills GC
3200 Lopez Road
Pebble Beach, CA 93953

LOS SERRANOS GENERAL INFORMATION

DRIVING RANGE: The driving range will open at sunrise; practice balls will be available on the driving range hosted by Los Serranos and the SCGA.

FOOD & BEVERAGE: The clubhouse will open at 6:30 a.m. for breakfast. Lunch service will be available beginning at 11:00 a.m. Players, coaches and spectators may purchase items from the restaurant inside the clubhouse or at the snack bar located on the course. All forms of payment will be accepted.

There will not be a hosted banquet for players and coaches after the round during the award ceremony.

GOLF CARTS AND CADDIES: Players must carry their own clubs during the stipulated round. Caddies and golf carts are not allowed during play. Push or pull carts are permitted. Coaches and media are not allowed in golf carts. Prior to and after the round, shuttle carts will be available to the participants traveling to holes further away from the clubhouse. Further instructions will be issued in the pre-tournament communication.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES: Players may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3a(1). Any questions about such devices should be resolved before the start of the stipulated round.

The penalty for breach of this rule is a 2-stroke penalty, any subsequent offense is disqualification.

CELLULAR PHONES

The use of wireless handheld devices (smart phones) on the golf course is prohibited by players. Coaches will be allowed to text, email or view live scoring on scga.org/girlscif. Talking on a cell phones is prohibited on the golf course. All coaches should turn their cell phones off or to silent mode.

LOCAL LODGING OPTIONS

Hampton Inn & Suites
3150 Chino Ave.
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 591-2474

TownePlace Suites by Marriott
15881 Pomona Rincon Rd.
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 479-8100

Ayres Hotel
4785 Chino Hills Parkway
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 631-2922

Hotel Chino Hills
15433 Fairfield Ranch Rd.
Chino Hills, CA 91709
(909) 606-5995



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<u>HOLE</u>	<u>YARDAGE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>PAR</u>
1	475		5
2	162		3
3	462		5
4	324		4
5	346		4
6	157		3
7	364		4
8	380		4
9	311		4
<u>OUT</u>	<u>2,981</u>		<u>36</u>
10	130		3
11	389		4
12	288		4
13	451		5
14	522		5
15	321		4
16	530		5
17	145		3
18	447		5
<u>IN</u>	<u>3,223</u>		<u>38</u>
<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>6,204</u>		<u>74</u>



CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

OUT OF BOUNDS – Defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

PENALTY AREAS – When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out of bounds, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR – Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair.

WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY-SURFACED ROADS AND PATHS – White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths, or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under [Rule 16.1](#).

AERATION HOLES – The Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule E-4](#).

RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF (SOD SEAMS) – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule F-7](#).

EDGING GROOVES – The Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule F-19](#).

WOOD CHIPS AND MULCH – Are loose impediments.

INTEGRAL OBJECTS – Include artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas and bunkers.

LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule G-1](#).

PROHIBITING USE OF CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES – The Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule G-7](#).

BROKEN OR SIGNIFICANTLY DAMAGED CLUB – [Model Local Rule G-9](#) is in effect.

MISSING PLAYER OR MARKER CERTIFICATION - [Model Local Rule L-1](#) is in effect.

STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY – Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the committee Procedures is in effect. [Model Local Rule J-1](#).

PRACTICE – Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule – 1st breach is General Penalty applied to the player's first hole. Penalty for 2nd breach – Disqualification.

WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL – A competition is deemed to have closed when the result (including the result of a playoff, if applicable) has been officially announced and awards have been presented.

CODE OF CONDUCT – By submitting an entry for any SCGA-administered competition, the contestant understands that his/her participation is at the sole discretion of the SCGA. A contestant may be removed from any competition at the discretion of the SCGA staff or Rules and Competitions Committee at any time before or during the competition. Incidents of unbecoming conduct or actions deemed to be detrimental to the image of the SCGA or the “Spirit of the Game” are grounds for such removal and suspension from future SCGA-administered competitions. These include, but are not limited to the following: 1) Willful damage of the golf course or golf course property 2) Club throwing or unnecessary club tossing 3) Offensive or unbecoming language 4) Public criticism of golf course or verbal abuse of SCGA staff, officials, volunteers, host club staff or other contestants 5) Potential endangerment of others and 6) Conduct deemed unbecoming.

PACE OF PLAY POLICY SUMMARY – The responsibility for maintaining a good pace of play belongs with you, the player. If you fall behind on one hole, you are expected to play efficient golf and get back into position. This might mean playing ready golf for a hole or two and doing continuous putting – both of which are allowed in stroke play. Manage your time efficiently in between shots and be ready to play when it is your turn. Determine club selection and yardage while others are playing rather than waiting to do so when it is your turn to play. Keep pace with the group in front of you and do not worry about where the group behind you is. If a group is out of position, an SCGA official will monitor and time them. Any group out of position will be informed by an SCGA official when they are being monitored and timed.

A group will be considered out of position if it reaches the tee of a par-3 hole and the preceding group has cleared the next tee; reaches the tee of a par-4 hole and the putting green is clear; or reaches the tee of a par-5 hole when the preceding group is on the putting green.

When a group is out of position each player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds after timing of the player’s stroke begins. Other than on the putting green, timing of a player’s stroke will begin when he has had reasonable opportunity to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he can play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining yardage will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke. On the putting green, timing will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt and remove loose impediments from his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and / or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

PACE OF PLAY PENALTIES: One bad time exceeding the allotted time – Warning. A second bad time – 1 stroke penalty. A third bad time – Additional 2 stroke penalty. A fourth bad time – Disqualification

COACHING RULES – RULE 24.4

The coach(es) may provide instruction, encouragement, and information to his/her golfers without interfering with play or the conduct of the event under the following regulations:

- Each high school with a team entered in the event is allowed to appoint two (2) coaches who may communicate advice.
- Each high school with one or more individuals entered in the event is allowed to appoint one (1) coach who may communicate advice.
- Between the play of holes, a coach is allowed to communicate advice to his/her players.
 - Between the play of holes is defined as starting when the player has completed play of the hole and ending when the player places the ball on the tee on the next hole. Coaches may not be on the putting green or on the teeing ground while communicating with their players.
- The communication of advice may not impede the pace of play.
- Coaches are NOT allowed to communicate any advice (verbal or non-verbal) during the play of the hole. A violation of this would result in the player being penalized under Rule 10.2 of the Rules of Golf.
- Coaches who are in violation of this policy are subject to the following consequences:
 - 1st Breach: Warning
 - Subsequent Breach: Removal from the golf course (coach must remain in the clubhouse/practice area)
- The golf coach(es) as specified under Bylaw 503 (E,F) must be listed on file at his/her respective high school as the golf coach or an employee of the high school or school district in order to communicate advice to his/her players.
- The golf coach(es) must complete the appropriate form in the event handbook and sign in at the event with the tournament committee to receive their credentials and be authorized to coach. The CIF will provide the credentials.
- As a reminder, players are still prohibited from communicating advice, as defined by Rule 10.2, to other players at any time during their round. Any player who gives or asks for advice will be penalized according to Rule 10.2 of the Rules of Golf.

Any head coach, assistant coach, or school employee who is found to be in violation of the regulations outlined above may be denied entry at future CIF championship events and may cause his/her team or individual players to be disqualified from the event. Any issues relating to the Rules of Golf (penalty strokes or disqualification) will be determined by the NCGA/SCGA in conjunction with the CIF. Any decisions regarding removal or suspensions will be determined by the CIF. The decision rendered will be considered final.

Please completing the information below and signing this document, I understand the rules stated above and agree to comply with any consequences resulting from a breach these rules. Please bring a copy of this completed form to the competition.

School: _____

Check if team or individual:

Team: _____ Individual: _____

Coach #1: _____
Print Name

Signature

Coach #2: _____
(Team Only) Print Name

Signature

Guidelines for a Playoff

When a playoff occurs, the qualifying spot will be determined by starting on a hole that will be determined by the SCGA and the CIF. When the ninth qualifying spot is determined through the playoff, the remaining players that were still in the playoff will be involved in a card off of their stipulated round to determine Alternate #1 and Alternate #2. To be involved in the card off, the remaining individuals had to be tied for second place on the last hole played behind the winner of the playoff.

It is the intent of the CIF to attempt to always have a playoff to determine the nine individuals that will qualify from the regional finals to the state finals. There are situations where this might not be possible. Inclement weather, darkness or an unforeseen situation could affect the status of a playoff after the stipulated round is completed.

Therefore, if the above situation occurs in a regional final, and it is determined by the CIF and the SCGA that a playoff cannot take place, the following method will be used to determine the ninth qualifying spot for the individual play:

- **A card off will take place for the individuals tied for the remaining qualifying spot(s). The USGA recommended tie breaking procedure will be used. The first criteria are the total scores for holes 10-18 for each individual. If there is still a tie, the scores from 13-18 are added. If a tie still exists, then holes 16-18 are used. If a tie still exists, then hole 18 is used. The winner(s) of the card off will advance to the state tournament. The remaining individuals will be placed as Alternate #1 and Alternate #2 (based on card off) in case any of the individuals cannot participate on the day of the state finals. Note: If after this procedure, they are still tied, the same procedure will be used with holes 1-9. Holes 10-18 are the holes as noted on the scorecard, regardless of the hole that each player started their play.**

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