



**2017 NHIAA Girls Individual  
Golf Tournament  
Medal Flight  
September 30, 2017**



**NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

**Play is governed by the 2016/2017 USGA Rules of Golf and its Decisions, the NHIAA Hard Card, and these Supplementary Rules for this golf course.**

**Play will be from the RED Tee Markers** – The ball shall be played as it lies. Hole locations will be position D.

**Distance Measuring Devices:** Such devices are allowed in this event. A device that measures conditions other than distance (wind, slope, etc.) must have that function turned off. NO CELL PHONE GPS APPLICATIONS are permitted. A player using a prohibited item is in violation of Rule 14-3. **First Breach: 2-stroke penalty; Second Breach: Disqualification.**

**Ground Under Repair – Hole #14:** Players may take relief from the area of GUR located to the right of the cart path. As an additional option, there is a drop zone located on the opposite side of the cart path.

**Drop Zones – Hole #13:** As an additional option for a ball that has come to rest in the lateral water hazards on Hole #13, a player may utilize the drop zone located on the opposite side of the hazard.

**Stroke Limit:** A competitor shall cease the play of a hole when they have reached 8 strokes on a par-3 or 10 strokes on a par-4 or par-5.

**Cart Paths:** All cart paths and their extensions are Immovable Obstructions. Rule 24-2 applies.

**Embedded Ball Rule:** In effect, Through the Green.

**Out of Bounds/Public Roads:** Any ball on the surface of a road or which crosses a public road that is Out of Bounds and comes to rest beyond the road is Out of Bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course.

Hole #10: Stone wall left side, to stone wall going over to #11 Tee.

Hole #11: Fence left side and beyond green.

Hole #14: Stone wall and fence left side.

Hole #18: White stakes right side between double white stakes (for hole #18 only - not Hole #17); stone wall left side (blue stakes are movable obstructions, not OB stakes).

*The parking lot and clubhouse area are deemed to be out of bounds*

**NHIAA Rules Committee**

# NHIAA Rules of Play

Play is governed by the current Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, and where applicable, by the following Local Rules, Conditions and Definitions. Appendix I refers to the Appendix of Local Rules; Conditions of the Competition in the USGA Rules of Golf booklet. Unless otherwise provided, penalty for breach of a Local Rule is: Stroke play – Two strokes Match Play – Loss of Hole

## **RULES 18-2, 18-3, & 20-1 ARE MODIFIED AS FOLLOWS:**

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 as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3, and 20-1. 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.

**SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION:** When play is suspended for a dangerous situation, if the players in a group are between the play of two holes, they must not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. If they are in the process of playing a hole, **they must discontinue play immediately** and must not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play.

**NOTE:** A suspension for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one prolonged siren or horn blast. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three intermittent siren or horn blasts. Resumption of play will be signaled by two intermittent siren or horn blasts. All practice areas will be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open for use. **The penalty for the breach of this rule is disqualification.**

**GOLF BALLS/DRIVERS:** The ball and driver the player plays must be named on the current "Conforming Golf Ball List" and "Conforming Driver Head List" of the USGA, which can be found on the USGA Web Site.

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Unless otherwise noted on the Local Rules Addendum, a player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a device 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 two strokes for the first infraction, disqualification for any subsequent infraction.

**PACE OF PLAY:** (Rule 6-7 Undue Delay) A player will be subject to penalty if he unduly delays play. If a Local Rule for Pace of Play is in effect and posted, it shall be in force.

**Note:** The Committee reserves the right, at any time, to time a group when the Committee deems it necessary. Further, if a player is determined by the Committee to be unreasonably slow, he may be timed individually at the Committee's discretion, regardless of whether his group is out of position. Player's should also be aware that the Committee may assess a "bad time" to a player in a group that is out of position if the player makes no effort to help his group to get back into position. Penalty: 1<sup>st</sup> Bad Time=Warning; 2<sup>nd</sup> Bad Time=1 stroke penalty; 3<sup>rd</sup> Bad Time=2 stroke penalty/loss of hole; 4<sup>th</sup> Bad Time=Disqualification.

**LIFTING AN EMBEDDED BALL:** The "EMBEDDED BALL RULE" as written in Appendix I is in effect "through the green".

**OUT OF BOUNDS:** Defined by inside edge of white stakes and/or property fence posts at ground level, and/or by white lines.

**Note:** A ball, which crosses a public road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road, is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course, unless stated as otherwise in the Local Rules.

**ROADS, PATHS:** Asphalt and artificially surfaced roads and paths are obstructions. White lined areas tying into roads or paths have the same status as the roads or paths, and thus they are obstructions and not ground under repair.

**GROUND UNDER REPAIR:** Areas defined by white lines (except ball drops) **AS WELL AS** French drains, which are trenches, filled with rocks or stones, even if not marked.

**RETAINING WALLS AND PILINGS:** When located within water hazards or within and/or around bunkers, retaining walls and pilings are integral parts of the course, unless stated as otherwise in the Local Rules. When railroad ties, curbing or the like adjoin cart paths, they are deemed to be part of the same obstruction.

**STONE WALLS:** Stone walls on the course are deemed to be integral parts of the course. No relief unless stated otherwise on the Local Rules Addendum.

**STONES IN BUNKERS:** Stones in bunkers are movable obstructions. Rule 24-1 applies.

**TREE WRAPPINGS, ELECTRICAL WIRES AND CABLES:** Closely attached to trees: No relief. Tree wrappings, electrical wires, cables, signs and lightning rods closely attached to trees are not obstructions. They are integral parts of the course.

**SOD SEAMS:** Except in a hazard, 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 player's area of intended swing. All seams within the sodded area are considered the same seam.

**TURF PLUGS ON PUTTING GREENS:** On the putting green, in addition to Rule 16-1c, the player may repair turf plugs of any size.

**CASUAL WATER ON THE PUTTING GREEN:** If a temporary accumulation of casual water exists on the putting green, the following policy will be in effect when the ball lies on the putting green:

- a) A player may take relief under the Rules of Golf (Rule 25 -1b (iii)) or the player may request the Committee to squeegee the line of putt (but not both). Such squeegeeing may extend beyond the hole at the player's option.
- b) The Committee may squeegee the putting green at any time.
- c) The Committee may use any combination of a) or b) above.

**RETURNING SCORECARD:** For the purpose of applying Rule 6-6c, a competitor is considered to have returned his scorecard when he has first left the scoring area.

**RESULT OF THE COMPETITION:** When all scores have been posted on the Official Scoreboard and approved by the NHIAA Rules Committee, the result of the Competition is deemed to have been officially announced.