



CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION **AND LOCAL RULES**

The United States Golf Association (“USGA”) Rules of Golf and its Decisions govern play, as modified by the Local Rules and definitions. See **applicable competition’s “Notice to Competitors (Players)” for additional Definitions, Local Rules and Conditions.** The following Conditions of Competition and Local Rules apply and may be found in the USGA Rules of Golf.

Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for a breach of a Local Rule or Condition is: Two (2) Strokes.

Section A – Conditions of Competition

1. **Specification of the Ball** (Note to Rule 5-1).
 - A. List Of Conforming Golf Balls – See List Of Approved Golf Balls
 - B. One Ball Condition – Applies only to players in the Championship Flight.
2. **Time of Starting** (Note to Rule 6-3a)
3. **Pace of Play** (Note 2 to Rule 6-7)
See McAllen Amateur Golf Championship Pace of Play Guidelines and Penalties
4. **Suspension of Play Due to a Dangerous Situation** (Note to Rule 6-8b)

Note: All practice areas shall be closed during a suspension for a dangerous situation until the McAllen Amateur Rules Committee has declared them open. Players who disregard such closing shall be subject to disqualification.



5. **Practice Between Holes (Note 2 to Rule 7)**-Practice is prohibited on or near the putting green of the hole last played
6. **Doubt As To Procedure (Rule 3-3)**-If a *competitor* is doubtful of his rights or the correct procedure during the play of a hole he may without penalty, complete the hole with two balls. After the doubtful situation has arisen and before taking further action, the *competitor* must announce to his *marker* or a fellow competitor that he intends to play two balls and which ball he wishes to count if the *Rules* permit. If he fails to do so, the provisions of Rule 33(ii) apply. The *competitor* must report the facts of the situation to the *Committee* before returning his scorecard. If he fails to do so, **he is disqualified.**
7. **Close of Competition** -The competition shall be deemed to have closed when the McAllen Amateur Rules Committee has approved all scores. In the event of a playoff, the competition shall be deemed to have closed when the playoff scores have been approved by same
8. **Ties for First Place** will be broken using a sudden death two-hole aggregate play off, using holes 1 and 18. If the tie still exists, it will be broken by sudden death play-off and players will go back to hole 1 and then 18 until the winner is determined. **All other ties** will be broken using a scorecard play-off, starting on the first handicap hole, going forward to the second and so on until the winner is determined.
9. **CADDIES** must walk and carry the competitor's bag unless the competitor uses a privately owned golf cart; in such case, caddies are allowed to put the clubs on the cart and ride if the Competitor personally registers the caddie in the Official Caddie Registration Roster located in the Golf Shop
10. **2nd Day Low Score Prizes**-Only players positioned in the bottom 1/2 of the field or 6 or more strokes behind the 3rd place score after the first round will be eligible for 2nd day low round prizes; the 2nd Round scorecard will be used to break ties, starting on the first handicap hole going forward to the second and so on until the winner is determined.
11. **Adverse Weather Conditions-STIPULATED ROUNDS:** The Competition will be played in four (4) stipulated nine (9) hole rounds; unless specified otherwise by the Committee, players will be required to turn in their scorecard only at the end of the second and fourth rounds. The following guidelines will apply:
 - a. All players in the flight must complete at least 18 holes to constitute a tournament
 - b. If less than 18 holes are completed on the scheduled tournament dates, then Sunday, September 25, 2016 will be used
 - c. If all players within the flight complete 18 but less than 27 holes, then 18 hole scores will be used to determine the winners for that flight only
 - d. If all players within the flight complete 27 but less than 36 holes, then 27 hole scores will be used to determine the winners for that flight only

SECTION B-LOCAL RULES

1. **Tees:** Play for all players will be from the Tournament tees; **4th FLIGHT WILL PLAY FROM THE BLUE TEES**
2. **Out of Bounds:** Defined by inside edge of white stakes, parking lot curbs and/or perimeter fencing.
3. **Water Hazards:** Defined by yellow lines. The lines define the margin of the hazard
4. **Lateral Water Hazards:** Defined by red lines. The lines define the margin of the hazard.
5. **Environmentally Sensitive Areas:** Are all high grass areas out in the roughs and are hereby declared lateral water hazards. The high grass itself defines the margin of the hazard
6. **Ground Under Repair:**
 - a. Areas defined by white lines.
 - b. Drain lines that are still exposed trenches or that are filled with sand or gravel.

- c. Fire ant beds or mounds (In a water hazard, relief from fire ant mounds is provided by Decision 1-4/10)
 - d. Sunken trenches, Newly sodded areas, Ornamental Flower beds
 - e. Ruts or washouts resulting from water erosion
 - f. Hole 7: At the end of fairway, the area within the golf cart traffic control cable, from the line defining the OB boundary on the West side of the hole to the inside edge of the bridge on the east side of the hole and along the line defining the margin of the hazard, all boundaries extend up and down on a vertical plane.
7. **Embedded Ball Rule:** In effect through the Green
8. **Obstructions:**
- a. **Immovable**-Restroom structures, Cart Traffic Control Stakes and Wire at Pilot Channel crossing Hole 7 concrete paths, white-lined areas tying into artificially-surfaced roads or paths, ball washers, tee signs, benches, bridge structures, drinking water stands and stakes and wires of all newly planted trees
 - b. **Movable**-Environmentally Sensitive area signs, PVC pipes and ropes used for cart traffic control and red top poles located short of each green
 - c. **Temporary Immovable**-Sponsor signs and grand stands are hereby declared temporary immovable obstructions
9. **TREE WELLS**-Decisions Book, Rule 33-2a/10.5-Status Of Tree Basins-*There is no relief from tree wells*
10. **Permanent Elevated Power Lines or Cables**
If a ball strikes a permanent elevated power line or cable, the stroke **shall be** cancelled and replayed, without penalty (see Rule 20-5). If the ball is not immediately recoverable another ball may be substituted. This includes the cart traffic control cable **and poles** in front of channel on hole 7.
11. **Casual Water on Putting Green**
If a temporary accumulation of casual water exists on the putting green, the McAllen Amateur Committee may:
- i. Require the player to proceed under Rule 25-1b(iii);
 - ii. Squeegee the line of putt when a player's ball lies on the green;
 - iii. Squeegee the putting green until the players are near the putting green; or
 - iv. In extreme cases any combination of a, b and c above.
12. **Electronic Yardage Measuring** devices are permitted during the competition rounds

PACE OF PLAY TIMESHEET

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Allotted Minutes/Hole	16	12	13	14	15	15	18	11	14	14	14	14	14	10	16	14	9	21
Cumulative for Tee 1 Start		28	41	55	1:10	1:25	1:43	1:54	2:08	2:22	2:36	2:50	3:04	3:14	3:30	3:44	3:53	4:14
Cumulative for Tee 10 Start	2:22	2:34	2:47	3:01	3:16	3:31	3:49	4:00	4:14		0:28	42	56	1:06	1:22	1:36	1:45	2:06

Group No.																		
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Time Allotted																		