NOTICE TO PLAYERS – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

** PLAYERS MUST CHECK IN AT REGISTRATION UPON THEIR ARRIVAL **

** TIME OF STARTING **
Rule 5.3a states: “The player must be ready to play at the starting time and starting point set by the Committee.” Penalty for breach: The player arrives at starting point, ready to play, no more than (5) five minutes late: The player gets the general penalty (2 strokes) applied to his or her first hole. Otherwise, the penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.

** WITHDRAWAL **
PRIOR TO EVENT: Notify the NJSGA by phone (908-241-4653) or email (bradb@njsga.org).
DAY OF EVENT: A player must call the pro shop at the club and ask that a message is forwarded to the NJSGA. No-shows will be suspended from competitions for one year.

**_EQUIPMENT **
1. Only brands of golf balls on the USGA’s latest list of conforming golf balls may be used.
2. Only drivers on the current USGA’s Conforming driver-head list will be permitted.
3. Spikeless shoes only are permitted on the course and practice areas. Spikeless shoes include Soft-spikes, golf shoes with rubber treads, and sneakers.

** DRESS CODE **
Players, caddies, and spectators must be dressed appropriately. Those not dressed appropriately will not be permitted to remain on the premises. The following applies: Cargo shorts/pants, denim, t-shirts, undershirts, flip-flops, and sandals are not permitted. Appropriate dress includes: A Collared Dress Shirt, Golf or Polo Shirt (tucked in). Hats/visors must be worn forward and removed when inside.

** CONDUCT & COURTESY **
1. Exemplary conduct is expected of all players, caddies, and spectators. Conduct deemed to be inappropriate may result in disqualification and/or future rejection of entries.
2. The use of cell phones is PROHIBITED on the golf course (except for mobile scoring).

** SPECTATORS **
Spectators are welcome, provided they remain clear of play at all times and abide by the dress code. Spectator carts are NOT permitted under any circumstances, nor are spectators permitted to ride with NJSGA officials.

** LOCAL RULES **
1. The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA and R&A govern play. Local Rules will be provided onsite.
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**CLUBHOUSE/LOCKER/PRACTICE FACILITIES**

Players MUST use the locker room for change of shoes and clothing. Club facilities will open at 7:00 a.m. The range fee and cart fee has been included in the team’s entry fee.

**SCORECARDS & SCORING RULES**

Official Scorecards will be distributed by the NJSGA starter on the starting tee. When recording scores, refer to Rule 23.2b which states: **Side’s Responsibility: Each score on the scorecard must be identified as the score of the individual partner who made it; if this is not done, the side is DISQUALIFIED.** Upon completing the round, teams must report directly to the scoring table where scores shall be checked for each hole and doubtful points settled with the committee. Both teams MUST sign each scorecard. We ask for the cooperation of each group to do “live” mobile scoring as well. The starter will provide information on how to do this and only one player or caddie for the group needs to handle the mobile scoring.

**PACE OF PLAY**

The NJSGA’s “Checkpoint” Pace of play system will be in effect; see separate notice. Timing guidelines (per hole) will be indicated on each player's official scorecard. Pace of play will be monitored and penalized if necessary. **Be advised that pace of play guidelines in Four-Ball, Stroke Play are based upon the expectation that all players will play ready golf, and that ONLY the low scorer, per side, will hole-out. A player whose score cannot count toward the team’s total is expected to pick-up in this scenario.**

**FORMAT & SCHEDULE**

The format is Four-Ball, Stroke Play- Gross and Net Scoring (Better ball of partners). Each player will receive 85% of his Course Handicap according to the Course and Slope Rating; Handicap strokes will be indicated by dots on the mobile scorecard. Prizes will be awarded to the low three gross and low three net scoring teams. In the event of a tie for the championship (gross), a hole-by-hole playoff will begin immediately upon the conclusion of play. All other ties will be broken through the USGA Method for Matching of Scorecards.

**TRANSPORTATION / CADDIES**

Motorized transportation is REQUIRED in this championship. Each team’s cart fee has been paid for within their entry fee. A team may also bring their own caddie. The NJSGA “one seat” cart policy will be in effect for caddies.

**FOOD & BEVERAGE**

Lunch will be available from 11:30am – 2:30pm and is included in the entry fee. All players will receive a lunch ticket at the scorers table or registration table when they check in. Teams playing in the morning will eat after their round, teams playing in the afternoon MUST eat before their round. Drinking water will be available on the golf course.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The NJSGA will exhaust every effort to conduct the competition on its scheduled date. Play would only be disrupted in the case of lightning or unplayable course conditions. Anyone in doubt as to whether play might be delayed, suspended, or cancelled should check the NJSGA web site: www.njsga.org for information.

**PRACTICE ROUND**

There are no designated practice rounds for this championship.

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