

# NJSGA



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**123<sup>rd</sup> Amateur Championship Presented by Provident Bank**  
**Forest Hill Field Club – Bloomfield, New Jersey**  
**Monday – Wednesday, July 8-10, 2024**

## **NOTICE TO PLAYERS – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

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

**\*\* PLAYERS MUST REPORT TO THEIR STARTING TEE 10 MINUTES BEFORE THEIR STARTING TIME \*\***

### **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](mailto: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. **The USGA Groove and Punch Mark Specifications (effective Jan. 1, 2010) are in effect for this competition.**

\*\* The NJSGA strongly suggests that all players verify the conformance of their clubs well in advance of the competition. It is the player’s responsibility, not the NJSGA’s responsibility to ensure that all clubs conform. Waiting until the day of the competition is the fault of the player. The Committee is under no obligation to test the club, nor will testing mechanism(s) be available at NJSGA competitions. The competitor may play. However, if it is later determined that the club is non-conforming, including after the competition has closed, the player will be disqualified.\*\*

2. Only brands of golf balls on the USGA’s latest list of conforming golf balls may be used.
3. Only drivers on the current USGA’s Conforming driver-head list will be permitted.

### **DRESS CODE**

**Players and caddies 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).

### **LOCAL RULES**

1. The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA and R&A govern play. Local Rules will be provided onsite.
2. Please refer to the NJSGA Local Rules & Terms of the Competition “Hard-Card” posted at [www.njsga.org](http://www.njsga.org).
3. Rule 25 Modifications for players with disabilities. Please refer to the below policy:  
[https://njsga.org/ media/2024 tournament uploads/rule 25 policy.pdf](https://njsga.org/media/2024_tournament_uploads/rule_25_policy.pdf).

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## **SCORING & SCORECARDS**

Official Scorecards will be distributed by the NJSGA starter on the starting tee. Upon completing the round, players must report directly to their designated scoring area where scores shall be checked for each hole and doubtful points settled with the committee. Both the player and marker must sign each scorecard. Players/groups are still required to do live hole-by-hole scoring electronically using the ***Golf Genius app***. The starter will give each group their GGID to allow them to enter hole-by-hole scores and check the leaderboard.

## **CLUBHOUSE/LOCKER/PRACTICE FACILITIES**

Clubhouse facilities, locker rooms and practice facilities will open at 6:30 a.m. daily. The practice range is limited to SHORT IRONS ONLY and has a limited number of hitting stalls. Players MUST check-in with the NJSGA each day at the registration area where competitors will receive their player gift compliments of Provident Bank.

## **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.

## **FORMAT & SCHEDULE**

The Championship will be 72-Holes, Stroke-Play. 18-holes will be played on both Day 1 and Day 2. After 36-holes, a cut will be made to the low 40 scorers plus ties. The lowest 40 scorers will advance to Day 3, which will be 36-holes. The Champion will be the player with the lowest 72-hole aggregate score. In the event of a tie for the championship, a three-hole playoff will be held to determine the champion. If the tie persists, play will continue hole by hole until a champion is decided. The Champion will be awarded the Edwin M. Wild Championship trophy; the top-ten finishers will receive merchandise certificates. Thursday, July 11, is a rain date.

## **TRANSPORTATION / CADDIES**

Motorized transportation is PROHIBITED in this competition. A player must walk; he may carry his bag, or bring a caddie (subject to dress code). There are no caddies available at the club.

**Pull/Push Carts are NOT PERMITTED in this championship.**

## **SPECTATORS**

Spectators are permitted at this championship. There may be certain restrictions on where non players can go within the clubhouse. Spectators are not permitted to use golf carts.

## **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

A light breakfast will be provided to players only, compliments of Provident Bank. A buffet luncheon, compliments of Provident Bank, will be provided at no charge to players each day. (A lunch ticket will be provided to players at registration or scoring each day which must be presented to club staff.) Lunch for caddies, spectators, etc., will be available each day payable in cash only. Additionally, snack stations (for players and caddies), compliments of Provident Bank, will be available each day throughout the golf course. There will be drinking water available on the golf course. Spectators should be prepared to bring their own water. Those who participate in the final round are invited to the championship trophy presentation and reception upon the conclusion of play as guests of the NJSGA and Provident Bank.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The NJSGA will exhaust every effort to conduct the event as scheduled. Play would only be disrupted due to lightning or unplayable conditions. Information regarding the impact of weather on the event will be posted at NJSGA.org and emailed.

## **PRACTICE ROUND**

Please see separate notice for practice round information by [clicking here](#).

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