

# NJSGA



**58<sup>th</sup> Mixed Pinehurst Championship  
Maplewood Country Club – Maplewood, NJ  
Thursday, August 1, 2024**

**NOTICE TO COMPETITORS – 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](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. 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. The USGA Groove and Punch Mark Specifications are **not** in effect for this competition.

**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).

**LOCKER & PRACTICE FACILITIES**

All facilities will open at 7:00 a.m.

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## **PACE OF PLAY**

Timing guidelines and time allocated per hole will be listed on each player's official scorecard. Groups which fail to complete holes in the time allotted are subject to penalty.

## **FORMAT & INSTRUCTIONS FOR PLAY**

The championship is 18-Holes, Stroke Play- gross and net scoring. The champions will be the team with the lowest 18-Hole gross score. In the event of a tie for the championship, a hole-by-hole playoff will be held immediately upon the conclusion of play to determine a champion. **Handicap Indexes as of 8/1/2024 apply.**

**PINEHURST FORMAT - INSTRUCTIONS:** Each player will hit his/her tee shot, then switch and play their partner's ball for their second shot. After each team member has played their partner's ball, one ball is chosen to be played alternately through the hole. The ball NOT chosen is picked up and taken out of play.

**HANDICAP ALLOWANCE:** The player with the lower course handicap will receive 60%; the player with the higher course handicap will receive 40%. These are added together to total a team handicap. One score, per team, per hole will be counted.

**SENIOR FLIGHT:** Teams which consist of players male golfers age 55 and above and female golfers 50 and above as of the event date will be automatically entered in an additional senior flight. Eligible teams must ensure before play that they are included in this flight. Please contact the NJSGA if your team meets this guideline to be sure you are entered into the senior flight competition.

**PRIZES:** Prizes will be awarded to the overall low three gross, the low net, and the senior low gross and low net team. Ties (other than for the championship) will be broken via the USGA method for matching of cards.

## **SCORECARDS & SCORING**

Official Scorecards will be distributed by the NJSGA starter on the starting tee. Upon completing the round, players must report directly to the scoring table where scores shall be checked for each hole and doubtful points settled with the committee. Both the Player and Marker MUST sign the scorecard. The starter will give each group their GGID to allow them to enter hole-by-hole scores for "live scoring" and check the leaderboard through the Golf Genius app.

## **TRANSPORTATION / CADDIES**

**Motorized transportation is REQUIRED in this championship; teams are expected to share a golf cart.** Each team's cart fee has been paid for within their entry fee. A team may also bring their own caddie. The "one-seat" policy will be in effect ([click here](#) for details).

## **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

There will be no breakfast available at the club. A lunch buffet will be available from 11am-3:30pm and has been paid for within the team's entry fee. Additional lunches can be purchased for \$20 *cash only* for a caddie.

## **INCLEMENT WEATHER**

The NJSGA will exhaust every effort to conduct the championship on its scheduled date. Play would only be disrupted in the case of dangerous weather (i.e. lightning) or unplayable course conditions. A player in doubt as to whether play might be delayed, suspended, or cancelled should check the NJSGA web site: [www.njsga.org](http://www.njsga.org) for information.

## **PRACTICE ROUND**

There are no designated practice rounds for this event.

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