



Iowa PGA Spring Series at Ellis
Ellis Park Golf Course
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
April 13, 2024



In addition to the 2023 USGA RULES OF GOLF and the Iowa PGA Conditions of the Competition; the following local rules will govern all play.

Format: 18-hole stroke play for girls 14-18 and boys 12-18
9-hole stroke play for Girls 13 & Under and boys 11 & Under

Hole Contest Event – Closest to the Pin on #4. Measure, write name and distance, keep proxy off to the side of green.

Tee Assignments:

Boys 16-18: BLUE Tees

Boys 14-15: WHITE Tees

Boys 12-13 and Girls 16-18: GOLD Tees

Boys 11 & Under and Girls 15 & Under: RED Tees

All fescue/no mow and wooded areas will be played as Red Penalty Area even if not marked – please play as Red Penalty areas. Best option is usually find your last point of entry, where ball last crossed and take 2 club lengths from there, 1 stroke.

Ball will be played down.

Tree stumps will be played as Ground Under Repair.

POWER LINES: Any ball that hits a power line will result in a mandatory re-hit with no penalty

STAKED TREES: Please take relief from any staked tree – 1 club length complete relief no closer to the hole.

SPORTSMANSHIP: Any player using foul language, throwing clubs or demonstrating any other type of poor sportsmanship may be disqualified.

PACE OF PLAY: Please see reverse side for Rule detail. **Pace of play is very important and will be enforced. Players should be ready to hit when it is their turn, limit practice swings, finish short putts, play ready golf when at all possible, place their bag on the side of the green that is closest to the next hole, etc.**

DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE (RULE 20.1c (3)): Any player who is uncertain of his or her rights or procedure may complete the hole with two balls without penalty. The player should choose which ball will count if the Rules allow the procedure used for that ball, by announcing that choice to his or her marker before making another stroke. If player does not choose in time, the ball played first is treated as ball chosen by default. The player must report the facts of the situation to the committee before returning the scorecard, even if the player scores the same with both balls. The player is disqualified if he or she fails to do so.

PERSONAL MEASURING DEVICES: RANGE FINDERS ARE ALLOWED, BUT MUST BE USED FOR MEASURING DISTANCE ONLY. PLAYERS WILL BE PENALIZED IF THEIR USE OF A RANGEFINDER IS FOR ANY REASON OTHER THAN DISTANCE. THE FIRST USE OF A BANNED RANGEFINDER FUNCTION WILL RESULT IN TWO STROKE PENALTY, AND ANY SUBSEQUENT USE DURING THAT ROUND WILL RESULT IN THE PLAYER'S DISQUALIFICATION.

TIES: All ties for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will be decided by a scorecard playoff beginning on the #1 handicap hole of the holes played.

SIGNING AND RETURNING CARD: After completion of your round please return your scorecard immediately to the scoring area. Please verbally and visually check that hole by hole scores are correct with marker and tournament official. The score is official and cannot be changed once the competitor has dropped into the scorecard box.

SPECTATOR POLICY: All spectators must keep at least 30 yards away from players at all times. However, they may carry water and umbrellas as well as help look for lost balls. **Spectators should try to keep even with or stay ahead of the groups as to not heed play of the group behind.** Members are not permitted the use of caddies in Junior Tour events and may not take advice or help of any kind

Rules Committee: Iowa PGA Section Staff; Mark McMahon, PGA – Ellis