

# CALIFORNIA WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

## Local Rules and Conditions of Competition

California Women's Championship Tournament play is governed by the USGA Rules of Golf and its Decisions and, where applicable, the following local rules and conditions, along with additional local rules as may be supplied at the tournament site. Appendix I refers to the Appendix of Local Rules and Conditions of the Competition in the USGA Rules of Golf. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for the breach of a Local Rule or Condition is 2 strokes.

**DRESS CODE:** Players and Caddies must be properly attired both on the golf course and the premises of the club. Players and caddies must adhere to the dress code of the particular golf course that is the tournament site. A player or caddie violating this dress code will not be permitted to start the competition. A violation of the dress code by either the player or her caddie during the stipulated round must be rectified without undue delay or the player will not be allowed to continue play or the caddie will not be allowed to perform the acts of a caddie.

**TIME OF STARTING:** Note under Rule 6-3 and Optional Conditions as set forth in Appendix 1 shall be in effect. Players should arrive at their assigned tee one starting interval prior to their starting time. Dec. 6-3a/2.5.

**OFFICIAL TIME:** The clock at the tee, where the player begins her stipulated round is the official time of starting. Starters will not page players in advance of their starting time.

**PACE OF PLAY:** A player shall be subject to penalty if she unduly delays play. Rule 6-7. NOTES 1 and 2 under Rule 6-7 are in effect. The CWC Local Rule for Pace of Play is available to all players at the tournament site.

**DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE:** In stroke play, when a player is in doubt as to her procedure the player, may play a "Second Ball" under Rule 3-3. The player must report the facts to the Committee before returning her score card. If she fails to do so, she will be disqualified.

**OUT OF BOUNDS:** Defined by inside points at ground level of white stakes or fence posts. When white lines are used, the line itself is Out of Bounds. Rule 27-1.

**GROUND UNDER REPAIR:** Defined by white lines. French drains are deemed to be ground under repair. Rule 25-1.

**EMBEDDED BALL THROUGH THE GREEN:** Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I shall be in effect.

**WATER HAZARDS/LATERAL WATER HAZARDS:** Water Hazards are defined by yellow stakes and/or lines. Lateral Water Hazards are defined by red stakes and/or lines. Where both stakes and lines are present, stakes identify hazards and lines define margins. Rule 26.

**WHITE-LINED AREAS TYING INTO ARTIFICIALLY SURFACED ROAD AND PATHS:** White lined areas tying into artificially surfaced roads and paths are part of the obstruction.

**SERIOUS BREACH OF ETIQUETTE:** The use of abusive language, throwing of clubs or other disruptive behavior, contrary to the good conduct of the tournament will not be tolerated. Penalty – Disqualification

**PERMANENT ELEVATED POWER LINES AND CABLES:** If a ball strikes a permanent elevated power line or cable, or the towers or poles supporting such lines on the course, it MUST be replayed, without penalty. Rule 20-5. If the ball is not immediately recoverable, another ball may be substituted.

**SCORECARDS:** A competitor must return her signed and attested score card to the scorer's table as soon as possible upon completion of play. Rule 6-6b.

**CLOSE OF COMPETITION:** A competition is deemed to have closed when the result has been officially announced. Rule 34-1b.

**PRACTICE:** On any day or between rounds of a stroke play competition a competitor shall not practice on the competition course. Rule 7-1b. Penalty: Disqualification.

**LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS:** Note under Rule 5-1 and Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I shall be in effect.

**LIMITATION OF GOLF BALLS ("ONE BALL RULE")** Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I, Part c, 1-c shall be in effect. The ball must be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the USGA and must be of one brand and type as detailed by a single entry on that list. Penalty: Disqualification.

**DISCONTINUANCE OF PLAY:** A discontinuance of play by the Committee will be signaled as follows:

Non-dangerous condition: Three consecutive air horn notes, repeated. Rule 6-8b.

Dangerous condition: One prolonged air horn note, repeated. Players shall discontinue play immediately and shall not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption. All practice areas shall be closed until the Committee declares them open.

Note: A player has the right to stop play for a threat of lightening, even if play has not been suspended by the committee. Rule 6-8a.

Resumption of play: Two consecutive air horn notes, repeated.