



PGA

Northern California Section

SENIOR DIVISION Tournament Rules & Regulations

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The Senior Division Tournament Rules & Regulations shall be considered a part of the NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations, and for convenience are printed separately. Amendments to Senior Division Tournament Rules and Regulations may be proposed by the Senior Board of Directors. The Senior Division Tournament Rules & Regulations may be amended by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the NCPGA SECTION BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

SECTION 1 - TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

A. The Senior Division Tournament Committee is regulated by the Senior Division Board of Directors. The members of the Tournament Committee are appointed by the President of the Senior Division. The Tournament Committee will be comprised of a Tournament Chairman; Senior Division President and any other members of the Senior Division deemed necessary. The Senior Division President at his discretion shall call meetings with notice given by ordinary mail or phone.

SECTION 2 - DUTIES, RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

A. The Senior Division Tournament Committee shall be responsible for the conduct of all Section Senior Division events. The committee shall secure dates and venues for all Senior Division events and submit the schedule to the Senior Board of Directors for approval.

- B. The Senior Division Tournament Committee shall designate the rules officials at all Senior Division Events. (Participants shall not serve on the Rules Committee at any of the Senior Division Championship events.) Tournament postponement, cancellation or suspension is the responsibility of the Tournament Chairman and his Committee or their designated representative. Such designated responsibility shall be assigned for each event. In the event that a Senior Tournament is postponed and/or cancelled, the Event may be rescheduled upon approval of the Senior Board of Directors.

SECTION 3 - TOURNAMENT CONTESTANT ELIGIBILITY

- A. . All NCPGA members and eligibly employed, registered Associates fifty (50) years of age or older are members of the NCPGA Senior Division and are eligible to compete in Senior Division tournaments
1. Class F members are ineligible for all Senior Division golf tournaments.
 2. Associate contestants must be working on a full-time basis at a recognized golf club, course or driving range as defined in the PGA Constitution, Article III, Section 1 and 2, but are ineligible to compete in the Senior Stroke Play, Senior Match Play, or the Senior North South Challenge Cup. Apprentices are not eligible to receive Player of the Year points.
 3. Only NCPGA Senior members are eligible to compete in special Senior Division Qualifying Events.
 4. No player will be eligible if they have played in more than twelve (12) combined PGA Tour, Senior PGA Tour and Subsidiary Tour events within the twelve (12) months preceding the first round of the tournament.
 5. Inactive members are eligible to participate in all Senior Division tournaments, except Championships, but are not eligible to receive Player of the Year points.
- B. Verification of employment
1. The Senior Division Tournament Committee reserves the right to verify the employment of any contestant participating in a sanctioned NCPGA Senior Division event.
 2. If there is a question any member or associate may be asked to submit written verification of their employment to the Senior Division Tournament Committee.
 3. Written verification may include either payroll records or moneys received records from teaching professionals.
- C. Falsification of employment verification. Any member or apprentice found falsifying employment verification or in violation of employment verification will be reported to the NCPGA Section Board of Directors and will be subject to suspension and fines per the NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations Section V, C, 9. NOTE: PGA of America requires a member to be working 36 hours per week in order to be an A-6.

SECTION 4- DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF PARTICIPATING PROFESSIONALS

- A. Entries must be received by the deadline date. Participant's entry fees must be paid for prior to the start of the event.
- B. In the event any contestant entered in a NCPGA Senior Division Tournament must withdraw, cancellation notice must be given in advance of the event, or the contestant will be subject to the provisions of Section V. C of the NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations.
- C. Any Professional not completing a competitive round in a NCPGA Senior Division sponsored or sanctioned Tournament without a valid reason will be subject to a fine and/or suspension as outlined in Section V. C of the NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations.
- D. Every competitor **MUST** return a card for himself, or in team competition, for his team, even if the card is marked "no card". Failure to return a scorecard will result in a fine according to the provisions of Section V.C of the NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations.
- E. Tournament Dress Code: Jeans of any make or design, shorts, shirts without collars are improper dress for professionals in all NCPGA Senior sanctioned or approved events. **EXCEPTION:** The Host Professional and/or the Senior Event Chairman may authorize the use of shorts for Senior Pro-Pro and Pro-Am Events. The shorts must conform to the rules and regulations of the host club and must not be shorter than mid-thigh.

VERY IMPORTANT: NO SHORTS ARE ALLOWED IN THE FOLLOWING NCPGA SENIOR EVENTS. (Extreme temperatures may result in an exception) NCPGA SENIOR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP NCPGA SENIOR STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP NCPGA SENIOR NORTHERN CALIFORNIA OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP.

SECTION 5- PLAYER OF THE YEAR / PLAYER POINTS

- A. The Format of the Points breakdown in designated Tournament and Policies adopted for such breakdown shall be under the jurisdiction of the Senior Division Board of Directors.
- B. The Format and Polices of the Points breakdown shall be available to all Senior Division players.

SECTION 6 - ENTRY FEES

- A. Entry fees must be paid prior to tee off of Senior Division tournament to qualify as a valid entry. **NO POST ENTRIES ARE PERMITTED IN NCPGA SENIOR DIVISION SANCTIONED EVENTS UNLESS AUTHORIZED BY THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE OR ITS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.**
- B. Entries not received by the deadline date will be subject to a \$25 late charge.

SECTION 7- PURSE

- A. The format of purse breakdown in Tournaments and Policies adopted for such breakdowns shall be under the jurisdiction of the Tournament Committee.

SECTION 8 - SENIOR/ SUPER SR. STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS / SENIOR PROFESSIONAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

- A. The Senior Stroke Play Championship shall be contested over a minimum of 36 holes and may be used as the Qualifier for The Senior Professional National Championship. The Super Sr. Championship shall be contested over a minimum of 36 holes.
- B. Eligibility for the Stroke Play Championship is limited to NCPGA Senior Division Members who meet all eligibility requirements listed within these Rules and Regulations and are not in one of the following classifications of membership: A-3, F, Inactive or Associate.
- C. Eligibility for the Senior Professional National Championship shall be determined by PGA National Headquarters.

SECTION 9 - SENIOR/ SUPER SR. MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIPS

- A. The Defending Champion will be seeded #1 for the matches prior to the competition.
- B. The Senior Division Tournament Committee shall define the number of remaining players and the manner in which they will be seeded. Qualifiers will be paired according to the USGA Numerical Draw.
- C. Eligibility for this event is limited to NCPGA Senior Division members who meet all eligibility requirements listed within these Rules and Regulations and are not in one of the following classifications of membership: A-3, F, Inactive or Associate.

SECTION 10- PRO-PROS

- A. Entry fees and type of play will be determined by the Tournament Committee.

SECTION 11-STAEDLER-JETTER CUP MATCHES

- A. This event is a team competition between the Northern California PGA and the Northern California Golf Association.
 - 1. The Team shall consist of the top ten NCPGA member players available from the Senior Division points list plus the top four NCPGA Member players from the Super Senior points list. The Team will be joined by the President of our Section who will either (a) choose to be a Team Captain, (b) choose to be a Team Captain and appoint a Co-Captain, or (c) appoint both a Captain and a Co-Captain. The Captain and Co-Captain can either be playing or non-playing; playing Captain/Co-Captain must qualify as a player via the points list for their Division. If there is a cancellation from the Team prior to the day of the event, the next Player(s) on the point list shall be contacted to participate.
 - 2. If a uniform has been purchased for a Team member and He/she cancels from the competition, then he/she must reimburse the Section Office for the cost of the uniform.

SECTION 15 -- SENIOR-JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

- A. The Championship shall be scheduled as a thirty-six-hole event.
- B. Eligibility: NCPGA Members and Senior NCPGA Division members who meet all eligibility requirements and are not in one of the following classifications of membership: A-3, F, Inactive or Deleted Associate. Junior partners must be forty-nine (49) years or less during the duration of the tournament.

SECTION 16 - RULES

See NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations Section 1. E (4&5)

SECTION 17- VIOLATIONS AND FINES

See NCPGA Tournament Rules & Regulations Section V1.C