**AJGA JUNIOR ALL-STAR PRESENTED BY AUBURN-OPELIKA TOURISM**

*An AJGA Qualifier Series Event*

RTJ Grand National – Lake Course

Opelika, Auburn

July 6 - 9, 2020

# NOTICE TO PLAYERS

Play is governed by the Rules of Golf Effective January 2019 and the AJGA Tournament Hard Card. **Disregard any local rules on the RTJ Grand National – Lake Course scorecard or any other posted local rules**. In addition, the following specific rules apply:

1. **FORMAT**:18 holes of stroke play. The competition will not extend beyond Monday, July 6th, 2020.
2. **TOURNAMENT TEES**: **Boys** will be playing from the **ORANGE** tees.

 **Girls** will be playing from the **WHITE** tees.

1. **GROUND UNDER REPAIR ON PUTTING GREENS**: Areas enclosed by white dots on greens No. 3 and 11 are to be treated as ground under repair. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d **ONLY**when their ball lies on the green.
2. **AJGA DROPPING ZONE (YELLOW PENALTY AREA – NO. 15 ONLY)**: If a ball is in the yellow penalty area in front of No. 15 green, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player may:
* Proceed under Rule 17.1d, adding one penalty stroke, or
* Drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone that is located at the second-most forward tee. The dropping zone is identified by a yellow stake, adding one penalty stroke. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
1. **PREFERRED LIES (BUNKERS)**: When a player’s ball lies in a bunker, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball in and playing it from an area one-club length from the spot of the original ball, not nearer the hole than the reference point and the ball must stay in the bunker. In proceeding under this Local Rule, the player must choose a spot to place the ball and use the procedures for replacing a ball under Rules 14.2b(2) and 14.2e.
2. **FLAGSTICK**: The flagstick is fixed in the hole and **MUST NO**T be deliberately removed by any player. If a player removes the flagstick, he or she will incur a one-stroke penalty under the AJGA Code of Conduct Policy.
3. **ADVICE**: **(Rule 10.2a)** is any verbal comment or action that is intended to influence a player in choosing a club, making a stroke or deciding how to play during a hole or round. In addition, any conversation between player/spectator may be construed as advice. This includes any conversation between player/spectator in their native language. In either instance penalty for breach of this rule is two strokes. Players are responsible for the actions of their relatives and spectators in regards to this rule.
4. **AJGA CODE OF CONDUCT (SOCIAL DISTANCING)**: The AJGA’s Code of Conduct policy is always in effect when a player is at the host facility. This policy includes social distancing for players and their family members. Please reference the AJGA Code of Conduct policy.
5. **COMMITTEE**: The Committee, as defined in the Rules of Golf, consists of the senior rules official, all AJGA staff members present during competition, and any guest rules officials appointed by the tournament director. The Tournament Rules Committee composed of Tournament Director Shannon Dudzinski, Assistant Tournament Director Chris Simione and Head Golf Professional Joe McNally will have final decision-making authority over all rules-related matters.

***\*Please call Tournament Director Shannon Dudzinski at (904) 228-6324 with any questions or rulings needed\****