

MATTHEW NESMITH JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

The WildeWood Club
Columbia, South Carolina
October 15, 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 The WildeWood Club scorecard or any other posted local rules.** In addition, the following specific rules apply:

1. **FORMAT:** 54 holes of stroke play. The competition will not extend beyond Sunday, October 18, 2020.
2. **TOURNAMENT TEES:** **Boys** will be playing from the **BLACK** tees.
Girls will be playing from the **WHITE** tees.
3. **BLUE LINES/DOTS IN BUNKERS:** Blue lines or dots in bunkers define the edge of the bunker. A ball that comes to rest on or touching the blue line or dot is in the bunker.
4. **OUT OF BOUNDS:** Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white stakes and fence posts and the inside edge of a paved road or curb. When out of bounds is defined by a white line the line itself is out of bounds.
5. **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.
6. **FLAGSTICK:** The flagstick is fixed in the hole and **MUST NOT** 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.
7. **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.
8. **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.
9. **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 Senior Rules Official Mickey Zarra, Tournament Director Madison Scudder and Tournament Assistant Libby Burroughs, will have final decision-making authority over all rules-related matters.

Please call Tournament Director Madison Scudder at (770) 313-6034 with any questions or rulings needed