## AJGA JUNIOR OPEN AT THE BRIDGES PRESENTED BY CITY OF MONTROSE

The Bridges Golf & Country Club Montrose, Colorado July 29 – August 1, 2025

## NOTICE TO PLAYERS

Play is governed by the Rules of Golf Effective January 2023 and the AJGA Tournament Hard Card. **Disregard any local rules on The Bridges Golf & Country 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 Thursday, August 1, 2025.
- 2. <u>TOURNAMENT TEES</u>: Boys will be playing from the GOLD tees. Girls will be playing from the BLACK tees.
- <u>PRACTICE FACILITIES</u>: The following areas at The Bridges Golf & Country Club are designated as practice facilities and can be used by AJGA participants: Both practice putting greens, the driving range and the short game area. Practice facilities not listed are closed to AJGA participants.
- 4. <u>AJGA DROPPING ZONE NOs. 14 & 16</u>: If a ball is in the red penalty area on Nos. 14 & 16, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player has these relief options, each for one penalty stroke:
  - Take relief under Rule 17.1, or
  - As an extra option, drop the original ball or another ball in the AJGA dropping zone located on the left side, in front of the pond. The AJGA dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
- 5. **GENERAL AREA:** Except when included in a red penalty area, the red sandy areas on Nos. 1, 2, 4, 8, 10 and 12 are part of the general area and are not bunkers.
- 6. WRONG GREEN NO. 7: The green of No. 7 is considered a wrong green when playing hole No. 6 and players must take relief under Rule 13.1f.
- 7. <u>OUT OF BOUNDS</u>: Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white stakes, fence posts, and the inside edge of a paved road or curb. Out of bounds is also defined by:
  - The golf course edge of the sidewalk
  - In the play of No. 2 ONLY, a ball is out of bounds if it is beyond the internal out of bounds line on No. 11. During the play of No. 11, disregard the white line. The white out of bounds stakes are fixed obstructions and may not be moved. Relief from interference may be taken under Rule 16.1b except when those stakes are boundary objects on No. 2.
  - The fencing and the support of the fence (that are artificial and visible) are boundary objects. Out of bounds is defined by the course edge of the boundary object.
- 8. **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTION NEAR PUTTING GREEN:** Relief from interference by an immovable obstruction may be taken under Rule 16.1.

The player also has these extra options to take relief when such immovable obstructions are close to the putting green and on the line of play:

Ball in General Area. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is:

- On the line of play, and is:
  - i. Within two club-lengths of the putting green, and
  - ii. Within two club-lengths of the ball.

**Exception – No Relief If Line of Play Clearly Unreasonable**. There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.

- 9. **FADED LINES:** Disregard all faded ground under repair and penalty area lines. Players must use freshly painted lines.
- 10. <u>ADVICE</u>: (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.
- 11. <u>COMMITTEE</u>: 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 Laird Landon, Tournament Director Preston Clarke and Tournament Assistant Rowan Castrucci, will have final decision-making authority over all rules-related matters.

## \*Please call Tournament Director Preston Clarke at (770) 490-8933 with any questions or rulings needed\*