

NWAGA PINEHURST TOURNAMENT

Oakland Golf Club

May 22-23, 2023

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This notice supplements the Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for NWAGA Competitions)

1. **Format:** In Pinehurst, two players play as partners, each partner plays from the teeing ground and plays the partner's ball for the second shot. After the second shot, partners select the ball with which they wish to score and play that ball alternately to complete the hole.
2. **Handicap Allowance:** Based on May 15 Handicap Revision. 60% of the lower player's Course Handicap and 40% of the higher player's Course Handicap determine a side's Playing Handicap. The maximum handicap index permitted for this event is 40.4.
3. **Teeing Area:** Blue NWAGA tee markers.
4. **Out of Bounds:**
 - a. In addition to white stakes, Out of Bounds is defined by perimeter fences, white paint dots and white lines.
 - b. The white posts with black tips behind #7 green, and to the right of #8 tee, define Out of Bounds for Hole #8 only.
5. **Ground Under Repair**, includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Decorative flower beds.
6. **Immovable Obstructions:**
 - a. Include but are not limited to:
 - i. Artificially surfaced roads and paths, including any adjacent curbing.
 - ii. Newly Planted Trees identified by a ribbon, wire flag and/or black tubing
 - b. Immovable obstructions adjacent to, within or abutting each other, such as artificially surfaced paths (including decorative areas enclosed by these paths), curbing, walls, steps and drains, are considered a single obstruction.
 - c. Permanent restrooms and structures, including adjacent and surrounding artificially surfaced paths, patios, and decorative plantings, are considered a single obstruction.
 - d. White Stakes with black tips defining Out of Bounds along the right of hole #8 tee are immovable obstructions during play of hole #7.
7. **Movable Obstructions**, include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Yardage posts.
8. **Penalty Area Dropping Zones:**
 - a. If a ball is in the following penalty areas, 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 has these relief options, each for one penalty stroke: 1) Take relief under Rule 17.1; or 2) As an extra option, drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone marked "DZ" in the location below. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
 - i. Hole #13 Yellow Penalty Area - Drop Zone located left of the penalty area.
 - ii. Hole #14 Red Penalty Area Along the Left - Drop Zone located in the left rough.
9. **Other Clarifications:**
 - a. When two stakes located near each other are used to define out of bounds or penalty areas, the edge of the area extends in a straight line to infinity in the direction formed by the course-side points of the two stakes at ground level for out of bounds and the outside points of the two stakes at ground level for penalty areas.
10. **Scoring Area:** A scorecard is deemed to be returned when the player has submitted their scorecard and left the scoring area.
11. **Determining Ties:** Ties for first place within a division or flight will be broken by scorecard play-off using the USGA method of comparing scores.
12. **Final Decisions** on Disputed Points will be made by Craig Ames and Chad Pitkin.

Restrooms: located in clubhouse, near #5 tee/8 tee, and left of 14 fairway/near 15 green.

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