



30th Alabama Women's Stroke Play Championship

June 24-26, 2020

Timberline Golf Club, Calera, AL

Entries Open: May 4

Entries Close: June 16

Entry Fee: \$250 (Includes Championship Cart/Range Fees)



ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to any female amateur golfer who is a legal resident of Alabama and has an active GHIN® USGA Handicap Index® at an AGA member club. There will be two divisions: Championship and Tournament. Players must pick their division during online registration.

Championship Division – Approximately 6079 yards (Overall Champion)

Tournament Division – Approximately 5481 yards

College Student Eligibility: A college student is considered a resident of their parent(s)/guardian(s) "Legal Residency Criteria" as stated in the [AGA Tournament Manual](#) unless said student (a) has no dependency on his/her parents; and (b) lives full time in Alabama.

Entries are subject to rejection or withdraw at any time, including during the event, by the AGA or the host club. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct or unauthorized cell phone use during a stipulated round. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status". For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the [AGA Tournament Manual](#)

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

Championship field size is limited to the first 30 players. Exempt players are accepted at time of entry (See "Exemptions" on page 3). Non-exempt players will be accepted after close of entries to fill the championship field. If the championship field is oversubscribed, the field will be determined by player ranking, past performance and Handicap Index as of June 16, 2020 with priority given to Championship Division. Players not gaining entry will be placed on the alternate wait list. Wait list alternates are ranked according to date/time an entry is received and processed. All players, including those exempt, must register online at www.alabamagolf.org. Fax, mail-in, or telephone applications are not accepted.

- To submit an entry, go to <http://www.alabamagolf.org/2020-championships> and click on register
- **All entries must be RECEIVED in the AGA office no later than 11:59pm, Tuesday, June 16, 2020. No entries will be accepted after that time.**
- An entry fee in the amount of \$250.00, payable by **credit card**, must accompany the entry application, \$5.00 of which will be donated to the Alabama Turfgrass Research Foundation.
- Upon successfully completing the entry procedure, an email confirmation will be automatically generated and sent to you at the email address you designate.

The AGA is not responsible for errors or delays by any internet service provider. Entries are only accepted between the open and close dates as stated above. Confirmation of acceptance is sent to players when their status is determined. Status may be checked at www.alabamagolf.org. The appropriate entry fee must be paid by each player at time of registration.

REFUND POLICY

Withdrawal: If an accepted player withdraws for any reason before the close of registration at **11:59pm on Tuesday, June 16, 2020**, the entry fee will be refunded, subject to a \$30.00 service fee. If an accepted player withdraws for any reason after the close of registration and before **11:59pm on Sunday, June 21, 2020**, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after **Sunday, June 21, 2020**.

No Shows: Players that fail to notify the AGA of their withdrawal and "No Show" their starting time will not receive a refund for any reason. "No Show" players may be subject to suspension from future AGA events.

Alternates: Full refund if player does not gain entry into the championship.

All dates and time refer to **date and time of receipt** at the AGA office.

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 23

Tee times available for practice.

Wednesday, June 24

First round of individual stroke play. Field re-paired by score.

Thursday, June 25

Second round of individual stroke play. Field re-paired by score. Tournament Division flights determined (if necessary).

Friday, June 26

Final round of individual stroke play.

CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 54 holes of gross individual stroke play.
- The lowest score for 54 holes in the Championship Division will be the Champion.
- In the event of a tie for the Championship, a hole-by-hole play-off will be held immediately following play. The play-off holes and order of play will be determined by the AGA.
- Any other ties in all other flights, will be resolved by matching scorecards according to the USGA recommendation within the Committee Procedures of the Rules of Golf – “Matching Scorecards”.
- Tournament Division will be flighted after 36 holes by score (if necessary).
- Initial groupings are for round one; field is re-paired by score after each round.

CART/RANGE FEES

- *Practice Rounds:* Cart/range fees are not included in the entry fee. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds payable at the host club.
- *Championship Site:* Championship site cart/range fees are paid by the AGA and included in the entry fee. Competitors have the option to either walk or use a golf cart during championship rounds.

CADDIES

- *Caddies:* Caddies are not allowed for championship rounds. Caddies will not be available at host club.

SPECTATORS

- *Spectator Golf Cart Policy:* Due to the limited number of available golf carts, spectator carts may not be available during the championship.
- *Disability Golf Cart Policy:* In consistency with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), AGA will grant an individual with a bona fide disability a golf cart if the following conditions are met:
 - Requesting individual completes and submits a [Disabled Golf Cart Request Form](#) by the close of entries date;
 - Host club has a golf cart available;
 - Requesting individual pays host club the appropriate fee;
 - Requesting individual presents to the AGA staff or AGA representative a disability card issued by a government agency.
- Spectators are not allowed to ride in a player’s golf cart at any time. Non-club owned spectator carts are not allowed except as provided in the [AGA Tournament Manual](#).

PRIZES

Awards will be presented to the top scores in each Division after 54 holes, as well as the overall Champion. Low Mid-Amateur in the Championship Division will be awarded. In addition, the Champion will have her name engraved on the permanent trophy and may take possession of the trophy for the ensuing year.

RULES OF GOLF; CLOSE OF COMPETITION; SPECIAL REQUESTS

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the on-site Rules Committee whose decision will be final. Notice to Players and local rules are posted at host club and distributed at the starting tee(s). The AGA reserves the right to alter the conditions or schedules as stated, including alteration of the stipulated round(s) at any time during the championship. The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented or, in stroke play qualifying followed by match play, when the side has teed off in their first match. Special requests for starting times or pairings may not be granted.

CONDITIONS AGREEMENT

- I am a bona fide resident of the State of Alabama.
- I agree that the Alabama Golf Association has the right to reject, or withdraw, any entry at any time.
- I am an amateur golfer and I understand the “Rules of Amateur Status” as established by the United States Golf Association.
- I hereby grant permission to the Alabama Golf Association rights to use my name, image, likeness and sound of my voice as recorded on audio or video devices without payment or any other consideration. I understand that my image may be edited, copied, exhibited, published or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of my image or recording.
- I assume full responsibility for all my acts, whether they are negligent or otherwise, and hold harmless the Alabama Golf Association, its committee members, officers, board of directors, staff, and host club from any and all liability for any event or consequence relating to entry or participation in this event.
- I have read and agree to abide by the [Alabama Golf Association Code of Conduct](#).

EXEMPTIONS

Player in the categories listed below are exempt into the 2020 Alabama Women's Stroke Play Championship. The AGA reserves the right to revise any of these exemption categories. Exempt players who wish to participate in the Championship must file an entry by June 16. Exempt players must meet all the eligibility requirements set forth in Eligibility Section. Exemptions only apply to Championship Division.

1. Winners of the AGA Women's Stroke Play Championship last five years:
2016, 2018- Michaela Morard 2019- Sophie Burks
2. Winners of the AGA Women's State Amateur Championship last five years:
2015- Heather Nail 2019- Michaela Morard
3. Winners of the AGA Women's State Four-Ball Championship last five years:
2017, 2018- Mary Kate Horton/Sophie Burks 2019- Layne Dyar/Chloe Borders
2016- Jordan Susce/Ally Williams
2015- Michaela Morard/Micheala Williams
4. Winners of the AGA Girls State Junior Championship (Overall Champion) last five years:
2017, 2018, 2019, 2020- Michaela Morard 2016- Micheala Williams
5. From the 2019 AGA Women's Stroke Play Championship, the 10 lowest scores and anyone tying for 10th place:
Sophie Burks Carson McKie Anna Claire Little Layne Dyar Ally Williams
Chloe Borders Susan West Julie Baker Hanna Dyar Mary Mac Trammell
6. From the 2019 AGA Women's State Amateur Championship, those players who advanced to the Round of 16:
Michaela Morard Sophie Burks Allison Howard Susan West Anna Claire Little
Linda Jeffery Ally Williams Hanna Dyar Theresa Mahlik Elisabeth Preus
Julie Baker Layne Dyar Chloe Borders Emily Lankford Annalee Stephens
7. From the 2020 AGA Girls State Junior Championship, the 5 lowest scores and anyone tying for 5th place:
Michaela Morard Emma Pittman Lauren Thompson Ashley-Sinclair Curtis Emilia Smith
8. One exemption for the Championship Host Club.
9. Special exemptions bestowed by the AGA.