



# 1<sup>st</sup> Alabama State Parent-Child Championship

August 6, 2018

Robert Trent Jones Oxmoor Valley (Ridge Course), Birmingham, AL

Entries Open: March 5

Entries Close: July 24

Entry Fee: \$135 per side (Includes Championship Cart/Range Fees)

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## ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to any side comprised of a parent and child, regardless of age, in any gender combination. Step-parents, grandparents, and in-laws are eligible. At least one member of each side must: 1. be a legal resident of Alabama; 2. be a member in good standing of a club which is a member of the Alabama Golf Association (AGA) and have an active GHIN USGA Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> at an AGA member club or is a golf professional employed at an AGA member club. A side is eligible if one partner is an amateur member of an AGA member club or if one partner is a golf professional employed by an AGA member club. Pro-Pro sides are **not** eligible.

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" as specified in "The Rules of Golf". For complete residency and eligibility requirements, refer to the [AGA Tournament Manual](#).

## ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

Entry is limited to the first **48** sides. If championship is full at the time of registration, a side may opt to be placed on the alternate wait list. Wait list alternates are ranked according to date/time an entry is received and processed.

All sides must register online at [www.alabamagolf.org](http://www.alabamagolf.org). Fax, mail-in, or telephone applications are not accepted. The entry of a side is deemed complete when both players have completed the entry process. If a side completes an entry and it is later determined that one or both players are ineligible (e.g., due to an invalid Handicap Index or an amateur status issue), the side's entry will be withdrawn. A player is not permitted to enter the Championship as an individual.

- To submit an entry, visit <http://www.alabamagolf.org/2018-championships> and click on "Register"
- **All entries must be RECEIVED in the AGA office no later than 10:59pm, July 24, 2018. Entries will not be accepted after that time.**
- Entry fee in the amount of \$135.00, 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 your email address.

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](http://www.alabamagolf.org). The appropriate entry fee must be paid by each side at time of registration.

## REFUND POLICY

**Withdrawal:** If an accepted side withdraws before **10:59pm on August 5, 2018** for any reason, the entry fee will be refunded, subject to a \$30.00 service fee. No refunds will be made after that time.

**No Shows:** Sides 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" sides may be subject to suspension from future AGA events.

**Alternates:** Full refund if a side does not gain entry into the championship.

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

## CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

Championship is conducted at 18 holes of modified alternate shot stroke play. Each side plays alternate shot except that both team members hit from their designated tee and then select the ball to be played. A side must complete the hole with the ball selected.

Teams select the division in which to compete if eligible:

**Amateur Division:** Team comprised of two amateurs. Champion is the team posting the lowest 18-hole gross score. Flights are determined based on number of entries using 50% team Handicap Index. Yardage is dependent on gender and age.

**Open Division:** Team comprised of one golf professional and one amateur (or an amateur awaiting reinstatement "A/R"). Yardage is dependent on gender, age, and amateur/professional status.

### **Approximate yardage (\*Note yardage is subject to change)**

Amateur Males age 14-64; Professional Males: 6200 yards

Amateur Males age 65+; Amateur Females age 14-49; Professional Females: 5400 yards

13 & under Boys & Girls; Amateur Females age 50+: 4800 yards

Note: AGA reserves the right to adjust format dependent upon the number of entries

### **CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE**

#### **July 30-August 4**

Tee times available for practice rounds.

#### **Sunday, August 5**

Limited number of afternoon tee times available for practice round.

#### **Monday, August 6**

Championship Round (AM Tee Times)

### **CART/RANGE FEES**

- *Practice Round:* Practice round cart/range fees are not included in the entry fee. Cart rental is mandatory for practice rounds payable at the host club.
- *Championship Round:* Championship round cart/range fees are paid by the AGA and included in the entry fee. Cart use is mandatory for the championship round.

### **CADDIES**

- *Caddies:* Caddies are not allowed for championship rounds.

### **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**

- Trophies and merchandise is awarded to the overall champion in each division and winner in each flight. Merchandise is distributed to top teams in each amateur flight. Open division merchandise is distributed based on the size of the field to both professionals and amateurs. Ties for merchandise prizes are split except for the overall champion in each division (determined by an on-course playoff) and winner in each flight (determined by a score card playoff using the USGA recommended tie-breaker method).
- Prizes in AGA amateur championships comply with USGA Rules of Amateur Status (see USGA Rules of Golf).
- High School or collegiate players should check with their institution compliance department regarding High School or NCAA regulations relating to accepting prizes or merchandise.

### **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. 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 or a PGA Golf Professional at a member club of the Alabama 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.