

47th Southern Junior Championship

June 12-14, 2019
Idle Hour Country Club, Lexington, KY

Entries Open: February 4 Entries Close: May 28

Entry Fee: \$225.00





ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to any male amateur golfer who has a current USGA Handicap Index® not exceeding <u>12.4</u> under the USGA Handicap System, and has reached his 14th birthday by June 12, 2019, but not his 19th birthday by June 14, 2019.

Note: Entrant cannot be a member of a college golf team or have participated in any supervised team activities.

ENTRIES AND ONLINE REGISTRATION

Field size is 156 players. Exempt players are accepted at time of registration (see "Exemptions" section). Non-exempt players are selected based on Junior Golf Scoreboard national ranking as of the entry close date then by USGA Handicap Index. Non-exempt applicants will be notified of their entry status via email following the close of entries.

All players, <u>including those exempt</u>, must register online at <u>www.southerngolf.org</u>. Fax, mail-in, or telephone applications are not accepted.

- To submit an entry, visit http://www.southerngolf.org, create an "SGA Registration Account" then click on "Southern Junior>Register".
- An application for a player who is a minor upon the date of submission, in the state in which he resides (e.g., Alabama, under the age of 18) must be submitted by a parent/guardian, and list parent/guardian's name, phone number, and email address. The parent/guardian must agree to be bound by all terms and conditions on their behalf and on behalf of the minor player.
- All entries must be RECEIVED in the SGA office no later than 11:59pm CST, Tuesday, May 28, 2019. Entries will not be
 accepted after that time.
- An entry fee in the amount of \$225.00, payable by credit card, must accompany the entry application.
- Upon successfully completing the entry procedure, an email confirmation will be automatically generated and sent to your email address.

The SGA 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.southerngolf.org. The appropriate entry fee must be paid by each player at time of registration.

Entries are subject to rejection or withdraw at any time, including during the event, by the SGA or the host club. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct during a stipulated round. All players must conform to the "USGA Rules of Amateur Status".

REFUND POLICY

Withdrawal: If an accepted player withdraws for any reason before the close of registration at 11:59pm CST on Tuesday, May 28, 2019, the entry fee will be refunded, subject to a \$50.00 service fee. If an accepted player withdraws for any reason after the close of registration and before 11:59pm CST on Sunday, June 9, 2019, 50% of the entry fee will be refunded. No refunds will be made for withdrawals after Sunday, June 9, 2019.

No Shows: Players that fail to notify the SGA 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 SGA 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 SGA office.

CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

- 54 holes of stroke play.
- The field will be cut to the low 66 players and ties after 36 holes.
- The lowest score for 54 holes will be the Champion.
- In the event of a tie for the overall Championship only, a hole-by-hole play-off will be held immediately following play. The play-off holes and their order of play will be determined by the Committee.
- Initial groupings will be for two days; the field will be cut and grouped by score after the second round for the third round.

Awards will be presented to the top three finishers. Champion will have his name engraved on the *Perry Adair Trophy* that is housed in the SGA office. Ties for second and third place will be determined using the USGA recommended score card playoff procedure to break ties (last 9 (Holes 10-18), last 6 (Holes 13-18), last 3 (Holes 16-18), 18th hole, 1st hole, 2nd hole, etc. until the tie is broken).

State Team Competition – All U.S. players are automatically entered into The State Team competition. Each state is comprised of the low four players from the same state. State residency is determined by the player's home address listed on their entry application. The State Team winner is determined after the first 36 holes of play. Each of the winning team members receives an award. In the event of a tie, the aggregate score of all team members from round two will be used. If there is still a tie, then round one aggregate score is used.

EXEMPTIONS EARNED

- Champion receives an exemption into the 2019 and 2020 Southern Amateur Championship.
- Champion receives an exemption into all future Southern Junior Championships in which he is eligible to compete.
- Champion receives Fully Exempt Status with AJGA for 2 seasons (2019 & 2020).
- 2nd-15th places receive AJGA Stars (see AJGA.org website).

EXEMPTIONS

Players in the categories listed below are exempt in the 2019 Southern Junior Championship. The SGA reserves the right to revise the exemption categories. Exempt players must have filed an entry and paid the entry fee by May 28, 2019. SGA will file a blank entry for any player becoming exempt after the registration deadline.

- A. Any previous Southern Junior Champion
- **B.** Made the 36-Hole Cut at the 2018 Southern Junior Championship
- C. Made the 36-Hole Cut at the 2018 Southern Amateur Championship
- D. Advanced to Match Play at the 2018 U.S. Junior Amateur
- E. Top 500 in Junior Golf Scoreboard Rankings
- F. Top 500 in Rolex AJGA Rankings
- G. Current State Amateur, State Junior and Regional Junior Champions from USGA Allied Golf Associations (e.g. Carolinas Junior Champion, Virginia State Junior Champion)
- H. Most Recent Junior Ryder Cup or Junior Presidents Cup Team Members
- I. One (1) Exemption extended to championship host club
- J. Any player extended an invitation by the SGA Junior Competition Committee

CHAMPIONSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 11

Player Registration. Tee times available for practice.

Wednesday, June 12

First round of stroke play. Hosted lunch for championship contestants.

Thursday, June 13

Second round of stroke play. Hosted lunch for championship contestants.

Field cut to low 66 scores and ties.

Friday, June 14

Final round of stroke play. Hosted lunch for championship contestants.

RANGE FEES

• Championship site practice and championship round range fees paid by the SGA.

HOSTED LUNCH

Hosted lunch is provided by the SGA to championship contestants each day of the championship.

TRANSPORTATION; PUSH/PULL CARTS

- Competitors must walk during championship rounds. Optional condition prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures: *Model Local Rules: G-6 Prohibiting Use of Motorized Transportation* will be in effect. See "Golf Cart Requests" section below for disabled golf cart requests.
- Push/Pull carts are allowed.

CADDIES; SPECTATORS; GOLF CART REQUESTS

- Caddies: Caddies are not allowed.
- Spectators: SGA welcomes spectators at our championships. For your safety, we request that spectators walk near the cart path at all times.
- Disabled Golf Cart Policy: In consistency with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), SGA will grant an individual with a bona fide disability a golf cart if the following conditions are met:

^{*}Remaining field selected based on Junior Golf Scoreboard Ranking as of entry close date then by USGA Handicap Index

- 1. Requesting individual completes and submits a Disabled Golf Cart Request Form by the close of entries;
- 2. Host club has a golf cart available;
- 3. Requesting individual pays host club the appropriate cart fee;
- 4. Requesting individual presents to the SGA staff or SGA representative a handicap card issued by a government agency.

RULES OF GOLF

USGA Rules of Golf govern play. Questions will be decided by the SGA Rules Committee whose decision will be final. Notice to Players and Conditions of Competition are posted at host club and distributed at the starting tee(s). The SGA reserves the right to alter the conditions or schedules as stated, including alteration of the stipulated round(s) at any time during the championship including sectional qualifying.

CLOSE OF COMPETITION

The competition is closed when the championship trophy has been presented.

SPECIAL REQUESTS

Special requests for starting times or pairings may not be granted.

CONDITIONS AGREEMENT

- I certify that all the information given in my entry is factual.
- I agree that the Southern 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 Southern 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 Southern 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 <u>Southern Golf Association Code of Conduct</u>.