

NOTICE TO PLAYERS



2010 AT&T Kentucky State Amateur Championship Qualifying Round

Play is governed by the 2010-2011 Rules of Golf and the Decisions based upon them published by the United States Golf Association and, where applicable, by the following Local Rules and Definitions. Appendix I refers to Appendix of Local Rules in the USGA Rules of Golf booklet.

Competition Format: 18-Hole Stroke Play

1. **All play will begin from the Championship Tees.**
2. **List of Conforming Golf Balls** - Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
3. **List of Conforming Driver Heads** - Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
4. **Time of Starting** – The Note to Rule 6-3. Time of Starting as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
5. **Practice Between Holes Prohibited** - Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
6. **White-lined Areas Tying Into Artificially-Surfaced Roads and Paths** - Have the same status as the roads or paths, that of obstructions.
7. **Embedded Ball Through the Green** - Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
8. **Ground Under Repair** - Defined by white lines. Fire ant hills and French drains are deemed to be ground under repair. Rule 25-1
9. **Sod Seams** – Through the green, sod seams (not the sod itself) are deemed to be ground under repair, and relief is available under Rule 25-1 if the ball lies in or touches a sod seam or the sod seam interferes with the area of intended swing. All seams within the sodded area are considered the same seam.
10. **Wood Chips and Mulch** – Are loose impediments.
11. **Integral Parts of the Course** - Include cables, rods, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees; liners in bunkers and artificial walls and pilings when located in hazards.
12. **Water and Lateral Water Hazard Stakes and Lines** - When a lateral water hazard is defined on only one side, it is deemed to extend to infinity. When water hazards and lateral water hazards are bound by out of bounds, the hazard margin extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line.
13. **Out of Bounds** - Defined by inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and/or fence posts. In areas where out of bounds is defined by a white line on the ground, the line itself is out of bounds. Note: A ball which crosses a public road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road is out of bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the course.
14. **Discontinuance of Play** - Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect. All practice areas are closed during the suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Note: A suspension for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short airhorn notes.
15. **Ties:** In the event there is a tie for the final qualifying position or the order of alternate positions, a sudden-death playoff will be used to determine those placements. The official in charge will determine the starting hole and subsequent holes to be played.
* The medalist at each qualifying site will receive an award for his accomplishment at the championship site. If two or more players tie for medalist during qualifying, all players will receive an award. Therefore, it is not necessary to break ties for medalists.
16. The Kentucky Golf Association ***has authorized the condition to allow Distance Measuring Devices*** be used during the 2010 AT&T State Amateur Championship and all qualifying rounds. The device must be manufactured in a way that it only measures the distance from one fixed point to another. The device cannot measure the wind velocity, slope, gradation, or any other options. Breach of this Rule: Disqualification
17. **KGA Cell Phone Policy**
A player is strongly discouraged from using any electronic devices, particularly a cell phone, during the stipulated round. If a cell phone is carried by the player it shall be kept in the vibrate mode or noiseless setting at all times. USGA Decision 14-3/16 (page 195-196) shall govern the appropriate use of cell phones and other electronic devices. Any use of a cell phone found to be a violation of the etiquette code of the USGA (Section 1, Etiquette, pages 1-4) by the rules committee may result in disqualification from this event as described and authorized by the USGA under Rule 33-7 and a suspension of playing privileges in future Kentucky Golf Association events as determined by the KGA Tournament Committee.