



JGA Official Handbook

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Our Rules & Regulations

Membership Procedures and Fees

A yearly membership fee of \$75.00 and the completion of the Rules Quiz is required to play in Junior Golf Association of Broward County “JGA” tournaments

To complete the registration process, [click here to register](#) and enter your e-mail. You will receive instruction on how to become a member of Junior Golf Association for the 2023 season. Once your registration application is approved, you will receive an email providing you:

1. a player’s ID
2. a link to set up your password
3. a link to complete the required-on line Rules Quiz

Remember, your registration to a tournament will not be accepted until you have passed the Rules Quiz. You will be placed on a waiting list until this requirement is complete.

Tournament Registration Procedures

Once you have completed your [membership registration](#) and have passed the Rules Quiz, visit the [tournament schedule](#).

This will take you to the tournament schedule powered by Bluegolf.

- Click on the “Register” link for the tournament(s) you want to play.
- Complete the registration and payment information; submit your entry.

NOTE: you must register for each individual tournament. For the JGA Championship - Invitational tournament, players that meet the qualification to participate will receive an invitation from the JGA Board of Directors with instructions on how to register for the three day event.

One day Tournaments:

Members may register to play in as many one-day tournaments as they choose. There is a \$15, NON-REFUNDABLE registration fee for each of the one-day tournament.

ENTRIES FOR EACH TOURNAMENT CLOSE AT MIDNIGHT ON THE WEDNESDAY BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT.

JGA Championship - Invitational:

At the end of the season on July 27th, 28th and 31st, the Junior Golf Association hosts the JGA Championship - Invitational. To qualify a players must play in at least two (2) of the first seven one-day tournaments. Eligible players will receive a special invitation with register details from the JGA Board of Directors. The JGA Championship registration fee is \$45 total and includes all three (3) days of the tournament.

*Note: If a player accepts the invitation to play in the JGA Championship they are **not** eligible to play in the one day tournaments on July 27, 28 and 31st.*

Florida State Golf Association Event:

As a member of the JGA, there is also the opportunity to be selected to represent the Junior Golf Association as a team member at the Florida State Golf Association (FSGA) event. This year's event will take place August 5 & 6 2023 at Sandridge Golf Club, Vero

Beach Florida. Selected members will be notified and tournament details will be provided by the JGA Board of Directors during the regular season.

Late Entry Fee

A \$30.00 late entry fee will be assessed to any entry received after the registration deadline of midnight the Wednesday before a tournament. Late entry to any tournament will be placed on a wait list. Acceptance to the tournament will be based on space availability. Notification will be sent via email to the player if registration is accepted. Late registration will close Sunday at noon. Any requests to register after this point must be requested by completing a [contact us form](#).

Note: Notification of acceptance of late entry can be received up to 9pm Sunday.

Procedure to Withdraw from a Tournament

Withdrawing from a tournament procedure: If a player needs to withdraw from an event, please complete the [contact us form](#) and select “Tournament withdraw” from the list. Please identify the following within your message:

1. Division
2. Tournament date that you wish to withdraw

Tournament registration fees will **not** be refunded for cancellations made after midnight the Wednesday before an event. Failure to cancel will result in the player not being allowed to play in the following weeks tournament.

Emergency cancellations will be considered on a case-by-case basis when submitted in writing and accompanied with justifying documentation.

No Show Policy: Players who have registered for a tournament and do not show up at the tournament without having given prior notification via the [contact us form](#) will be considered “No Show.” If you are listed on the tee sheet as a no show you are subject to suspension for the following event.

Golf Equipment

Junior golfers are responsible for their golf equipment. Never leave your clubs unattended. If you have to go into the clubhouse, have a friend watch your clubs until you return. If you think someone is not part of the JGA, tell a member of the JGA Board. Be extra careful around the scoring table and during rain delays where there are a lot of people in one area. Be aware of your surroundings.

Lost and Found

If you find a club or other equipment on or around the course, please turn it in at the scoring table or to a Marshall on the course. Found equipment will be displayed at the scoring table.

Trophies / Awards

All trophies should be claimed the day of the tournament. We encourage players to stay until your division has completed play and the trophies are presented to each winner. If you are unable to stay, make arrangements with a friend to accept the trophy on your behalf.

Offenses that Constitute Suspension or Removal from the JGA Program

Include but are not limited to:

- Gambling
- Unauthorized riding in a golf cart
- Hitting golf balls in any areas not designated for play
- Cheating of any kind
- Damaging golf course property
- Throwing or damaging golf equipment
- Use of abusive, threatening or profane language

- Consumption of alcoholic beverages, use of illegal drugs and any type of tobacco products is prohibited. This includes electronic or “e-cigarettes” of any kind.

Respect for Facilities and Golf Courses

Golfers and spectators are expected to treat the golf course and facilities with respect. Players are expected to rake bunkers, repair ball marks, replace divots, dispose of and pick-up trash, etc. Any abuse of the facilities or course will result in the immediate disqualification and removal from the course and could be grounds for suspension from the JGA program. JGA would not be successful without the generous support of our local courses. All players and spectators are encouraged to send letters to the course thanking them for their support.

Dress Code

Junior golfers and spectators are required to wear proper attire at all JGA tournaments. Shirts with collars or golf designed mock turtle-neck shirts, provided they are allowed by the host course, are required to be worn by everyone at the tournament site and the shirttail must be tucked into the pant, short, or skirt.

Exception: Ladies may wear a top that does not have a collar providing it is part of a coordinated golf outfit.

Garments that are not permissible:

- Short Shorts and Running Shorts
- Bicycle Shorts and Exercise Shorts
- Jeans and Denim Products
- See-through clothing without proper undergarments
- Tube Tops, Tank Tops, and Crop Tops
- Clothing with words, phrases, symbols, pictures, which are obscene, profane, drug or alcohol-related
- Playing members must wear proper golf footwear. Flat sole sneakers are permitted. Golf shoes must have non-metal spikes.

- Hats must be worn with the bill facing forward

Food

Players will be advised when registering for a tournament if a host club requests that no outside coolers be brought to the course and that all food and beverages must be purchased from the host club.

Any Member, Parent, or Spectator who does not abide by these rules will be asked to leave the golf course property immediately.

Continued violations will result in dismissal from the JGA program and subject to the review of the Board of Directors. No refunds will be given for anyone dismissed from the program.

Incremental Weather Procedure

The JGA uses a lightning detection service to monitor dangerous weather conditions in the area of our tournaments. There are times when lightning is in the area but may not be visible to the eye.

If a lightning strike is within 10-mile radius of the tournament location the JGA Directors will sound one long blast of the air horn and play must be suspended immediately.

Please note courses may have different perimeters to sound the course horn to suspend play. Please be sure to abide by the JGA weather procedure.

When the air horn is sounded play is suspended. All players are required to **immediately** mark the position of their ball if possible (*it is suggested a golf tee be used*) and seek the nearest shelter from the threatening conditions. Players using a pull cart must agree that in the event of a course evacuation they could be asked to remove their bag from the cart and that the cart will be left on the course. The cart may be retrieved by the player once it is safe to do so.

Parents/guardians that have rented golf carts are requested to assist in transporting players to the designated covered areas. The JGA Board of Directors will survey the course to ensure all players have been transported to designated covered areas.

Once play has been suspended, ALL PLAYERS AND SPECTATORS ARE TO REMAIN INSIDE THE SHELTERED AREAS. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE PLAYERS TO USE ANY OF THE PRACTICE FACILITIES (DRIVING RANGE OR PUTTING GREEN).

Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification. A member of the JGA Board will provide updates on the half hour and hour from the scoring table until play can be resumed or the event is cancelled.

A JGA Director will email/text periodic updates to players/parents via Bluegolf (approximately every 30 minutes).

If a player decides to withdraw from the tournament during a weather delay, they must:

- Advise the JGA Director at the scoring table of their intent to withdraw
- All players in the group must come to the scoring table to validate their scores up to the last hole played.
- All cards must be signed under the last hole they played
- The player MUST submit their signed card to the JGA Director at the scoring table before departing the course.
- If you are in a twosome where the other player left, do not go back to your hole and play alone. Consult with a JGA Director about your next steps.

The all clear comes when there have been no lightning strikes in the 10 mile radius for 30 minutes. When it is determined the conditions no longer exist and play is to resume,

an air horn will sound two (2) short blasts. Players are to proceed to the previously marked ball position, replace their ball, and continue play.

General Information

It is recommended that all players and spectators, who have not been vaccinated, practice social distancing and wear facial coverings when social distancing is not possible.

Players must withdraw if:

- They are experiencing any Covid-19 symptoms
- They have taken a Covid-19 test, but not yet received the results

In order to mitigate COVID-19 players should take their temperature before heading to the course if possible. If they have a temperature of 100.4 or higher, they should stay home. Also, if players have a cough, trouble breathing or it is known they have been exposed to COVID-19 within the past 14 days they should stay home.