

# **Prep Tour Policies**

## **Rules**

Day of Event specific starter instructions supersede all published Prep Tour Rules.

The USGA rules will govern all play. If between the group, a ruling cannot be established and there is no rules official in the vicinity, we ask you play two balls and a ruling will be administered in the scoring tent. Please do not sign scorecards until a ruling has been made official. **EXCEPTION: Rule 7-2 Practice Between Hole** The Prep Tour does not allow any practice chipping or putting between holes. Players are directed to move immediately to the next teeing ground upon completion of each hole played.

## **Tie Breakers**

Tie breakers for first place only will be decided by a sudden death 1 hole playoff. The sudden death playoff will continue until we have a champion. All other ties (2 or more players) will be decided by matching scorecards, comparing the number 1 **handicap** hole (printed on the host venues' scorecard) to determine the tiebreaker. If a tie amongst 2 or more players still exists, matching scorecards will continue on **handicap** hole #2 consecutively through **handicap** hole #18 until all ties have been resolved. Ties amongst female competitors (other than for 1<sup>st</sup> place) will be resolved by matching scorecards using the ladies **handicap** system on the host venues printed scorecard. Tie breakers will be utilized (other than for determining 1<sup>st</sup> place) for the sole purpose of trophy distribution. The official tournament results will list two competitors in the same position regardless of which competitor won the matching scorecard playoff. (Example- 2 competitors that tied for 3<sup>rd</sup> place will both be listed as T-3<sup>rd</sup>, and the next competitor will finish in 5<sup>th</sup> place. The 2 competitors will also split the sum of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place "points" divided in half.)

**Tiebreakers for a 2 day tournament** will be decided by better Day 2 18 hole score—then number 1 handicap on day 2 course etc. until the tie is broken.

## **Distance Measuring Devices**

Measuring devices that measure distance only are allowed. Devices that measure wind and/or slope are not allowed.

## **Caddies and Pull Carts**

The Tour does not allow the use of caddies (except for the Mother's Day event- Moms will be allowed to caddy this day only. The Tour will allow the use of pull carts at all Tour events. Players are not allowed the use of motorized carts.

**CELL PHONES:** Player's cell phones shall remain off and in the player's golf bag until tournament is completed. "Apps" that serve as a measuring device on your phone will not be permitted.

**EAR PHONES:** The use of ear phones and/or devices that play music are prohibited during the stipulated round.