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### TCJGA 2021 TOURNAMENT PROGRAM – Guidelines and Rules

The TCJGA 2021 Rules Test and Code of Conduct must be signed, completed and turned in prior to your first tournament or you may not be allowed to participate.

1. USGA Rules will be used to govern play. See # 2 about local rules.

2. Local rules may be used as needed to govern play. Players will be notified of these rules at each tournament and each player is responsible for adhering to local rules.

3. USGA approved distance finders may be used during the tournament. All other electronic devices (tablets, cell phones, etc.) Will not be allowed, unless players are instructed otherwise.

4. Players must check in at each tournament at least 30 minutes prior to the start time. Late players may be disqualified.

5. Caddies or electric carts are not permitted. Push carts that are easy to fold up are allowed, but not recommended. For safety reasons, TCJGA staff may not be able to transport players with push carts.

6. Parents and friends of players may watch but may not accompany players during tournament play. Failure to abide by this rule may result in disqualification of the player. Spectators are encouraged to follow scores on TCJGA live scoring APP (IWANAMAKER)

7. Players will be disqualified for any unsportsmanlike conduct such as, but not limited to: club or ball throwing, inappropriate language, damaging the golf course, failure to rake traps, failure to replace divots and ball marks, and littering on or near the course. Use of illegal substances, tobacco or e-type cigarettes will not be permitted.

8. Dress code: players must wear a collared shirt or an approved non-collared golf shirt. Shirts must be tucked in at all times. Shorts are permitted but must not be considered short shorts or running type shorts. No t-shirts, tank tops or jeans of any style or color will be allowed. Hats must be worn correctly and not backwards. This dress code is in effect from the time the player arrives until they leave all TCJGA events. Girls: midriff areas must be covered by shirts at all times and appropriate length shorts as well.

9. You may not give or receive advice during tournament play as per USGA rule 8.

10. Score cards must be written neatly and signed by the marker and player. Make sure your first and last name are clearly written on the card.

11. A provisional ball should be played if there is any question as to a ball being lost or out-of- bounds. Exception: see TCJGA local rule below.

12. If you fail to putt out on any hole and continue play you will be disqualified. Exception: 9 Hole division players may use the 6-4 rule under local rules below.

13. Pace of play: you are expected to play each hole in no more than 15 minutes (2 ¼ hours for nine holes). Failure to do so may result in a warning, two (2) stroke penalty or disqualification.

**TCJGA local rules:**

9 Hole divisions only: 6 and 4 rule - if a player has taken 6 swings at the ball and is not on the edge of the green, they may pick up and place the ball on the front center edge of the green and begin putting. If the player has taken 4 putts and not in the hole they may pick up the ball and move on to the next hole. If a player uses this rule they must circle their score on the scorecard for that hole.

Out-of-bounds or lost ball: if a player loses a ball or hits one out-of-bounds and has not played a provisional as per rule # 11 above, they may take a two stroke penalty and drop another ball at the approximate point of the lost ball or where the ball may have gone out of bounds.