

NEGA Amateur Championship Conditions & Regulations

Eligibility

Entries are open to amateur golfers who hold membership in a club belonging to one of the six New England State Golf Associations and have an up-to-date USGA/GHIN Handicap Index not exceeding 5.4. Each State Association may use a limit of less than 5.4 if the number of applicants exceeds that State's number of allotted entries. The field is limited to 162 players.

Each State Association shall determine which entries it shall accept, up to and including the number allotted to it as shown below:

Connecticut	38
Maine	20
Massachusetts	50
New Hampshire	25
Rhode Island	14
Vermont	15

Entries are subject to rejection at any time (including during the tournament) by the NEGA. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Entry Procedures

Entrants shall apply on the NEGA Entry Form attached. Entry fee of \$220 shall be paid by every player. Fee must accompany application. **Entries must be sent to the New England Golf Association only.***

Refund Policy: Entry fee will be refunded, regardless of reason, if the NEGA is notified before the close of entries. After the close of entries, entry fee will be refunded if the tournament is full or in the event of injury or illness, and if requested in writing. No refunds will be given after the start of the tournament. Refunds will be issued, less a 20% service charge, after completion of the Championship.

Late or incomplete entries will not be accepted. Entries by telephone, e-mail or fax will not be accepted. Deadline for entry means time of receipt at the New England Golf Association office - not time of postmark.

Entry should be mailed early to allow ample time for delay. Entrants in the Championship will be notified by mail or e-mail of their starting time, and availability of practice privileges. Courtesy practice privileges are at the discretion of the host club.

Notice of Withdrawal

If you decide not to participate, notify the NEGA office (774-430-9020) promptly. Failure to comply may result in a player being disqualified from future NEGA competitions.

Schedule

Competition will be 72 Holes at Stroke Play:

Tuesday, July 21

First Round, 18 Holes.

Wednesday, July 22

Second Round, 18 Holes.

The forty (40) lowest scorers and ties for 36 holes continue play.

Thursday, July 23

Third and Fourth Rounds - 36 Holes.

Lowest scorer for 72 holes will be Champion. If a tie for first place occurs, play will immediately continue hole-by-hole until a winner is determined. If ties for other positions occur, duplicate merchandise certificates will be awarded.

If the Championship course is declared unplayable and as a result it is not possible to complete 72 holes of play in the period in which the Championship is scheduled, the Championship will not be extended beyond the last scheduled day and the winner shall be the individual who returns the lowest score for the number of stipulated rounds played. The Committee may institute a cut in order to play the last stipulated round.

Rules of Golf

Play will be governed by the Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA. Questions shall be settled by the Committee in charge of the competition consisting of those officials assigned by the NEGA, whose decision shall be final.

Caddies

Players may use caddies during play. A player is not required to employ a caddie for any phase of the competition.

Automotive Transportation

Players shall not use automotive transportation during play. Pull carts are allowed at the discretion of the host club. The optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of the Rules of Golf shall be in effect.

Dress Code

Proper dress code for all stages of the competition will be strictly observed.

Cellular Telephones

The use of cellular telephones is prohibited.

Distance-Measuring Devices

In this competition, a player may use devices that measure or gauge distance only (see the Note to Rule 14-3. However, the use of a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.) is not permitted regardless of whether such an additional function is used.

Golf Shoe Policy

Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition: **Disqualification.**

Prizes

Winner: Gold medal and merchandise certificate. Runner-up, Third, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seventh lowest scorers: Merchandise certificates. Merchandise certificates are only redeemable at the Portsmouth Country Club pro shop.

Conditions/Schedules

The New England Golf Association reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein.

— Harry B. McCracken, Jr., Sec'y-Tres

***See New England Golf Association address on front page.**

ENTRY FORMS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE NEGA OFFICE BY 5:00 P.M. ON THURSDAY, JUNE 11, 2009