

**IESA GOLF WEBINAR**  
February 24, 2014

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**Rules**

- ❑ Unlike any other sport, golf is played without officials and relies on the players to know the rules, abide by these rules and show consideration and respect for others.
- ❑ New Rules in 2014
  - Range Finders for distance measuring are permitted
  - Cell phones can be used for calling rules officials (golf pro) and/or utilizing a local golf course app (if available).
  - Circle 12 will be in effect for girls and Circle 10 for boys. This is mandatory upon the second 12 or 10 plus hole for respective golfer.

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**Rules**

- ❑ Tournament conducted under USGA rules of Golf and IESA state tournament adoptions
- ❑ Coaches may coach between the green and the tee.
  - Coaches must wait until the last player on the green putts out before communication takes place and should not delay teeing off on the next hole.
- ❑ Pace of Play: A group will be subject to being timed (SBT) if at any point in the round the group takes more than
  - 13 min to complete a par 3
  - 15 min to complete a par 4
  - 17 min to complete a par 5
  - Any following group will be SBT if it falls one hole behind the group in front and is behind time-par.
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## Entries

- ❑ Initial Entry Deadline : June 9, 2014 for both boys and girls golf
  - This was moved to help assign the boys to sectional sites.
  - The IESA encourages schools to meet with current and incoming students in the spring for interest for the next school year.
- ❑ Final Entry Deadline:
  - Boys: August 4, 2014
  - Girls: August 25, 2014
- ❑ Fees - \$40 per golfer
- ❑ 5 boys and 5 girls per school

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## State Format

- ❑ Girls Golf is a 1-day state contest held in Peoria
- ❑ Boys Golf is now a state series with sectional sites in several areas of the state.
  - Golfers advance to the state tournament in Peoria.
  - With three sectional sites, the top 24 golfers at sectionals including ties will advance to the state tournament.
  - No substitutions may be made after sectional play.
  - Boys golfers will pay course directly for their sectional round of play the day of the sectional tournament.

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## Rosters

- ❑ All Rosters must be completed by Monday of Week 9 for boys and Monday of week 10 for girls. (boys:9-1-14 girls: 9-8-14)
- ❑ An 18 hole average should be given for each golfer on your school's roster.
  - The 18-hole average should be for a 70-72 par course.
  - Do not put a 9-hole average for your student as the averages are used to scheduling the tournament.
- ❑ Substitutes must be submitted to the IESA office in writing (email) no later than:
  - Boys: Tuesday before sectionals by noon
  - Girls: Monday before state by noon

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## Scoring Procedures

- ❑ Each participant will exchange cards at the start of the round with a competitor.
  - Golfers keep their competitor's score on the card and their own score on the perforated edge on the bottom of the same card.
- ❑ After the round each group will report to the score tent.
- ❑ The official scorer will have the players go through their scorecards. The competitor who kept the card of the 1<sup>st</sup> player will go through the scorecard hole by hole to verify that each score has been recorded correctly.
- ❑ If the card is correct the competitor and his/her scorer will sign the card and return it to the scorecard box.
- ❑ If there is a dispute the official scorer will go to the observers card for verification.
- ❑ This process shall be repeated for each remaining player in the group.
- ❑ After a card is signed and placed in the scoring box it is considered final and subject to no further review. All questions and clarifications should be had in the score tent before the participant signs their card.

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## Observers

- ❑ Observers are not rules officials. They are there to assist the rules committee in deciding questions of fact in any breach of conduct.
- ❑ They are to assist the pace of play by encouraging kids to help others look for their golf balls and try to make sure that they are ready to play when it is their turn.
- ❑ Observers will keep unofficial scorecard for all players in their group and will report to the participant score tent at the end of the round.

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## Spectators

- ☐ Spectators shall remain on cart paths or in the rough approximately 15 yards from the players at all times.
- ☐ The use of carts by able-bodied spectators is not allowed.
- ☐ Cell Phones should be silenced during the entire round of play.
- ☐ Penalties:
  - 1<sup>st</sup> offense: warning to spectator
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> offense: spectator will be removed from the course.
  - A serious breach of etiquette or a single flagrant gross act of misconduct shall result in the spectator's removal from the course.

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## Frequently Asked Questions

- ☐ Does your coach have to meet the coaching education requirement?
  - No
- ☐ Do I have to have a team or can my school send 1 individual?
  - You can send a maximum of 5 boys and 5 girls. A school may send 1 golfer.
- ☐ Who can pay to enter a student?
  - Only a school issued check or money order is acceptable to enter a student. Checks from parents are not accepted.
- ☐ Do students have to meet the scholastic standing by-law?
  - Yes.
- ☐ Do those participating have to have a physical?
  - Yes.

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## Questions?

Thank you for your time.  
If there are any questions please type them in the box below and we will answer all questions.

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