# Golf (Girls) <br> Sport Information 

## Sport Director-

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## Regular Season Information-

In-Season Activities-

- In-season practice with a school coach present - in any sport - is prohibited outside the sport seasons designated in the following table. (Summers are exempt.)

|  | Start | End |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Fall Season | Monday, July 31, 2023 | Saturday October 28, 2023 |

Game Limits-

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| :---: | :--- |
| Girls Golf | 25 contests |

## Out-of-Season Activities-

- Out-of-season activities are allowed, but are subject to the following:
- Dead Periods:
- Only apply to sports not in season.
- Out-of-Season activities are not allowed during the following periods:

| Season | Period |
| :---: | :--- |
| Fall | Starts the first week of fall season through August 31st. |
| Winter | Starts 1 week prior to the first day of the winter sport season and extends 3 <br> weeks after Nov. 1. |
| Spring | Starts 1 week prior to the second Monday of February and extends 3 weeks <br> after the second Monday of February. |
| May | Starts on the spring seeding meeting date and extends through the final <br> spring state championship. |

Sport Rules-

- USGA rules will prevail except where modified and approved by the Sport Director.
- It is important for athletic directors and coaches to annually review rules changes each season. Rule Books are also available for online purchase on the USGA website. Use these links to find specific rules and annual updates.

1. USGA Rules Hub
2. USGA Rules of Golf

- Rules-

1. Heads of schools and athletic directors are responsible for seeing that these rules and concepts are understood and followed by their coaching staff without exception.
2. Enforcement of all NCISAA rules is the responsibility of each school, each conference, the NCISAA Board of Advisors, the NCISAA Board of Trustees and the NCISAA State Office.

- Caddies are prohibited in all play.
- Pull or push carts are allowed.
- Players are permitted to use electronic measuring devices that measure yardage only.
- In the state championships, players will play from tees ranging from a minimum of 5200 to a maximum of 6000 yards on courses rated by the USGA.
- The local pro and/or CGA official will be the final authority on all rules interpretations; in case of any questions during play, a second ball will be played, and the local pro will rule on the question.
- Coaching during play:
- The Head Coach (and only the Head Coach) is allowed to coach from tee through green.
- Teammates playing in the same group may give advice to one another.
- Parents are not permitted to give advice, in any situation, at any time.
- Team scores will be determined by the 3 lowest scoring players per team.
- The "Par Plus 3" applies in the state tournament as well as the regular season.
- Note: A team may be as many as five individuals with the top three scores counting. This is both for regular season as well as championship play.
- During the regular season, all results must be logged into ShotStat within 24 hours of completion.
- Any team failing to report their score as indicated above may forfeit their opportunity to participate in the state tournament.
- Last date for regular season play is Tuesday, October 17, 2023. Results must be entered by 11:59 pm on October 17, 2023.


## Postseason Information -

1. Female golfers in all divisions must compete in the fall season.
2. State Championship team qualifiers will consist of two divisions based on their regular season modified USGA nine hole index.
3. Divisions:

- Division I (Schools 301-Up)- Top 3 teams, Next 24 individuals and any player with an index below 12 .
- Division II (Schools 300-Below)- Top 3 teams, Next 24 individuals and any player with an index below 12 .
- The 24 individuals selected to compete for the state tournament individual honors are the next best 24 modified USGA regular season indexes per ShotStat not listed on a five person qualifying team.
i. To clarify - if you are on the school's roster but not competing as one of the five players on the team that qualified for the state tournament AND your index is one of the top 24 after all the teams have been determined, then you are eligible to participate as an individual. Eighteen hole matches will be scored as two nine hole matches.
- Players participating as individuals cannot substitute for a player on the team.

4. Nine hole indices for NC and SC may be found on the www.carolinasgolf.org website.
5. A team member or individual entry must have competed in a minimum of four 9 hole matches.
6. In computing the modified USGA handicap index each team or individual entry will count a minimum of $80 \%$ of matches played with a maximum of 25 nine hole matches. Refer to the following chart:

| \# of Matches | \# of Scores to Drop |
| :---: | :---: |
| $1-4$ | 0 |
| $5-9$ | 1 |
| $10-14$ | 2 |
| $15-19$ | 3 |
| $20-24$ | 4 |
| 25 | 5 |

More than $25 \quad$ Disqualified from State Championships
7. If a player reaches 3 over par on any hole, she may record that score.
8. The "Par Plus 3" applies to the state tournament as well as the regular season.
9. The team may have as many as five individuals with the top three scores counting.
10. Additionally, the best 24 individual golfers in Division I and 24 individuals in Division II not on a qualifying team will be selected to compete for state tournament individual honors.
11. Individuals are required to accept the tournament invitation.

Championship Site-
Keith Hills Golf Club, Buies Creek NC
Date-
October 23-24, 2023
Entry Fee-
\$50 per player

## Starting Times \& Pairing-

Starting times will be assigned by the Sport Director.
Tournament Format-

## Division I

- The tournaments will consist of a 2 day, 36 hole format.
- Day One:
- Teams will tee off together.

1. Schools that have three or more players qualify for the state championship will also be considered a team.

- Players who are competing as individuals will tee off last.

1. The Tournament Official(s) reserve the right to place individuals in pairings that may not be last.

- Coaches may substitute players at the start of rounds one or two as long as all players on the team have met all NCISAA requirements for participation and are not playing as individuals.
- Day Two:
- Teams will tee off together with the higher scores going off earliest.
- Players who are competing as individuals will tee off first.

1. The Tournament Official(s) reserve the right to place individuals in pairings that may not be first.

## Division II

- The tournaments will consist of a 2 day, 36 hole format.
- Day One:
- Teams will tee off together.

1. Schools that have three or more players qualify for the state championship will also be considered a team.

- Players who are competing as individuals will tee off last.

1. The Tournament Official(s) reserve the right to place individuals in pairings that may not be last.

- Coaches may substitute players at the start of rounds one or two as long as all players on the team have met all NCISAA requirements for participation and are not playing as individuals.
- Day Two:
- Teams will tee off together with the higher scores going off earliest.
- Players who are competing as individuals will tee off first.

1. The Tournament Official(s) reserve the right to place individuals in pairings that may not be first.

## Sport Rules-

1. USGA rules will prevail except where modified and approved by the Sport Director.
2. Rulings, if necessary, will be made by the host professional.
3. Caddies are prohibited in all play. However, motorized carts are allowed for those with documented medical needs.
4. Non-motorized pull or push carts are allowed.
5. Players are permitted to use electronic measuring devices that measure yardage only.
6. In the state championships, players will play from tees ranging from a minimum of 5200 to a maximum of 6000 yards on courses rated by the USGA.
7. The local pro and/or CGA official will be the final authority on all rules interpretations; in case of any questions during play, a second ball will be played, and the local pro will rule on the question.
8. Coaching during play:

- The Head Coach (and only the Head Coach) is allowed to coach from tee through green.
- Teammates playing in the same group may give advice to one another.
- Parents are not permitted to give advice, in any situation, at any time.

9. All playing rules will be provided to each player before the tournament play begins.
10. Team scores will be determined by the 3 lowest scoring players per team.
11. Tie Breaker:

- All 5 team members will go into sudden death play.
- The lowest 3 scorers on the team will then count.
- In case of a tie for State Medalist, players will go into a sudden death playoff starting on the first playoff hole.

Awards-
All-State will be a combination of regular season (50\%) and championship (50\%) results.

| Team | Div. I Div. II |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Championship Trophy | 1 | 1 |
| Runner-Up Trophy | 1 | 1 |
| Plaque to State Medalist | 1 | 1 |
| Individual Gold Medals to Championship Team | 8 | 8 |
| Individual Silver Medals to Runner-Up Team | 8 | 8 |


| Individual | 1st Team | 1st Team |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| All-State Awards | 9 | 9 |

