

ARTICLE VIII COMPETITION

Section 1. RULES OF PLAY

All tournaments conducted by the section shall be played under the Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA. Except in unusual circumstances, the ball shall be played as it lies.

All matters of administration, conditions of play, and conduct of play shall be administered under the authority of the section Tournament Committee.

In addition to the Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association, the following policies and procedures will be enforced in all section sponsored and co-sponsored events:

- (a) In an effort to protect the integrity and promote the true intention of the game of golf, every attempt will be made to play the ball as it lies in all section sponsored and co-sponsored events regardless of the different conditions that may exist throughout the section.
- (b) A professional competitor who is disqualified and/or does not turn in a completed scorecard from an event after he/she begins play will remain in the team competition in a Pro-Am Series event.

Section 2. COMPETITION

The amateurs will play at 80% of their handicap to determine net scores in Pro and Three Ams. In Pro and One Am competitions, amateurs will be allowed 100% of their handicaps. In both instances, the maximum "net" handicap allowance is 18 strokes for all participants. In competitions where the entire field of amateurs is women, the maximum "net" handicap allowance is 36 strokes.

REGULATION: *Women Professional Tees: In accordance with the PGA of America policy for women professional competitors the separate-tee, same-purse policy shall apply. Women's tees will be set not more than 90% of the length of men's tees and men and women professionals will compete for the same purse.*

REGULATION: *All Connecticut Section events that offer special exemptions into other events such as PGA Tour competitions require female PGA Professionals to compete from the same tees as their male counterparts.*

REGULATION: *Female Handicaps: In any tournament where males and females are in the same competition, women amateurs shall play from forward tees and the same rules of handicaps shall apply.*

REGULATION: *All events that are conducted and sponsored by the Connecticut PGA will be played under the rules of the USGA and the Connecticut Section PGA Hard Card.*