



47th Ohio Junior Girls

July 10 and 11, 2023 • Marion Country Club • 2415 Crissinger Road, Marion 43302
2022 Champion • Sydney Deal, Perrysburg

FORMAT

The Championship is a 36-hole individual stroke play championship.

Field: The field will be limited to ninety-six (96) players.

Entry: Entries will be first come, first serve. If the field is full before the closing date, entrants will be placed on the Wait List. The WOSGA reserves the right to modify field size at any time.

Divisions:

Division I: 16-19 years of age

Division II: 14-15 years of age

Division III: 13 years of age and younger

ELIGIBILITY/AGE

Invitations are open to (1) female amateur golfers who (2) are 19 years of age or younger in 2023 being eligible only through the year of their high school graduation, and (3) have a Handicap Index[®] and who (4) are a legal resident of Ohio or a verified member of a 2023 WOSGA member club. The player's date of birth and age, year of high school graduation, and state of residency are required on all entry forms.

Amateur Status: All players must conform to the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A. If the player is receiving expenses from sources other than family members to participate in this competition, please refer to the Rules of Amateur Status[®] (Rule 4).

Handicap: A player's eligibility is determined by their GHIN Handicap Index[®] in effect on the date their entry is submitted.

Code of Conduct: The WOSGA may reject an entry application, revoke an accepted application, expel from the Championship, and/or suspend a player from future championships if the player engages in conduct detrimental to the integrity and image of the game of golf and/or Club or member confidence in the WOSGA. Such behavior may include, but is not limited to, damage to the golf course or the player's equipment, verbal or physical abuse of players, spectators, officials, volunteers, or staff, blatant or excessive profanity, disorderly behavior, failure to abide by club rules, violation of the WOSGA's Sportsmanship Policy or any other unbecoming conduct. See WOSGA Conditions of Competition and Local Rules, effective January 1, 2023.

Corrections: Under Rule 20.2, if a player is found to be ineligible before, during, or after the competition is final, the competition results will be corrected. There will be no time limit on correcting the competition results when a player who has competed in the competition is found to be ineligible.

Equipment Used for Medical Reasons: WOSGA adheres to the USGA's Equipment Permitted for Medical Reasons. Players who wish to request permission to use a medical device due to a medical condition or injury and proceed under Rule 4.3b(1) of the Rules of Golf must submit their request via email to contact@wosga.org. The request must be dated no later than three (3) days after the player's entry form and fee are postmarked. WOSGA must be notified of a later diagnosis as soon as possible before the event.

Gender Policy: The WOSGA follows the USGA's Gender Policy. Documentation must be submitted in triplicate via overnight or first-class mail in an envelope marked "Confidential" and addressed to WOSGA Chief Legal Officer, 48 W. Whittier, Columbus, OH 43206, and be received by WOSGA Counsel no later than three (3) days after the close of entries for the specific championship.

Completion of Play: The competition shall be deemed to have closed when the Championship trophy has been presented or the scores have been certified by the WOSGA Executive Committee.

ENTRIES: PROCEDURE & FORM, REFUNDS, FEE, and CLOSING DATE

Entry Procedure: Contestants can apply online at www.wosga.org or www.ohiogolf.org or the official WOSGA entry blank. Entry fee refund available only for medical reasons after deadline date, June 26, 2023, 11:59 p.m. All refunds are subject to a \$15 service fee. Late or incomplete applications not accepted. No telephone or fax entries. Any entry fee paid by a participant on the Wait List who is not accepted into the Championship will be refunded in full. All entries shall be deemed by invitation and are subject to WOSGA Executive Committee acceptance.

Withdraw: Online withdraw through www.wosga.org or www.ohiogolf.org or for a player with paper entry, contact a WOSGA Tournament Director or OGA office to withdraw from the Championship. No voicemails will be accepted.

Online Application Questions: Online registration is hosted by the Ohio Golf Association (OGA), 614-698-0014.

Entry Fee: \$150.00 for All Players

The entry fee includes practice round greens fee, driving range balls, picnic lunch on Monday, and prizes.

ENTRIES CLOSE on MONDAY, JUNE 26, 2023 11:59 P.M.

Paper entries will be accepted and must be received by June 26, 2023.

SCHEDULE

The competition is a 36-hole stroke play event.

Sunday, July 9: Registration between and Practice Rounds - 11:00 A.M and 4:00 P.M

Monday, July 10: First Round 18 Holes, Player's Picnic after the Round

Tuesday, July 11: Second Round 18 Holes

**Due to weather conditions, tee times may change, and/or the tournament format/length may be modified, such as a shotgun start, at the Tournament Directors' discretion. Tee times available on-site or the WOSGA website.*

UNFORESEEN CIRCUMSTANCES

If unforeseen circumstances prohibit tournament play, the WOSGA reserves the right to modify the event's format, duration, and play dates solely at their discretion and without considering the impact on the field. No refunds shall be issued for shortened or modified events due to unforeseen circumstances, including canceled or incomplete rounds or meals.

PLAYER'S PICNIC

The WOSGA invites all players to the Association's 19th Hole Picnic Buffet (players' cost is included in entry) at Marion Country Club on Monday, July 10, 2023. Food will be available at approximately 12:30 P.M. (immediately after play). Players may bring guests at the cost of \$20.00 per guest attending the picnic. The guest fee should accompany this entry.

PRIZES

Prizes are awarded to the overall champion, who is the player with the lowest 36-hole score, regardless of division, the overall runner-up, who has the second-lowest 36-hole score, regardless of division, and Most Improved. The Most Improved Player is awarded to the player whose 2023 36-hole score total compared to their 2022 36-hole score has decreased by the greatest number of strokes. Prizes are also awarded to three (3) places in each of the three (3) divisions. Overall winners are not eligible for age division prizes. Winners must pick up their trophies at Marion Country Club. For weather-shortened events or format changes, the prizes presented may be modified.

TIES

In the event of a tie of the lowest score for the Championship, the winner shall be determined immediately by a sudden death playoff starting on hole #1. In the event of a tie of the lowest score in Division I, II, or III, and all other ties, the winner shall be determined immediately by matching scorecards determining the winner based on the score for the last nine holes, last six holes, last three holes and finally the 18th hole. If there is still a tie, then the last six holes, three holes and final hole of the first nine holes will be considered in turn. If this process does not result in a winner, the winner will be chosen by chance (such as tossing a coin). If a multi-tee start is used, then the last nine holes, last six holes, etc." are holes 10-18, 13-18, etc. If the round is less than 18 holes, the number of holes used in matching scores may be adjusted.

RULES OF GOLF; CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION; SCHEDULES; DECISIONS

Play will be governed by The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A Rules Limited. Questions will be settled by the on-site Rules Committee or WOSGA Executive Committee, whose decision will be final. WOSGA's Conditions of Competition and Local Rules are in effect and available at <https://www.wosga.org/policies>. The WOSGA Executive Committee reserves the right to alter any of the Conditions, Local Rules, Provisions, and Schedules herein, available at www.wosga.org, or provided as supplemental information for the Championship.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING

I understand that the WOSGA or its designees, may record, film, photograph, or otherwise capture my likeness, image, voice, biography, references to me, my quoted statements, and my play in the Championship (the foregoing, together with my name, my "Appearance"). In consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Championship, by submitting this Application, I grant (and/or have the authority to grant to the WOSGA in the case of a parent/guardian of a minor or other authorized representative submitting the Application on my behalf) to the WOSGA, and its licensees, successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable, assignable, worldwide, royalty-free, irrevocable right to use my Appearance, in whole or in part, in all manner (including exhibition, distribution, reproduction, publication, display, broadcast, transmission or otherwise), and media now known or hereafter invented or discovered, and for any purpose whatsoever. The rights granted herein include, without limitation, the right to use the Appearance, or portions thereof, in promotion of the Championship and future championships through any of the foregoing means of distribution, as well as in the design, manufacture and distribution of merchandise related to the Championship or other championships, that include elements of my Appearance. The WOSGA is not obligated to use my Appearance in any matter, and materials embodying any aspect of my Appearance do not need be submitted to me for approval. I release and discharge the WOSGA, its licensees, successors and assigns from any claims arising from use of my Appearance, including claims for misrepresentation of me, my character, or my person by any means. As between the WOSGA and me, the WOSGA shall own all right, title and interest, including the copyright(s), in and to any works created by the WOSGA, its licensees, successors and assigns, that include all or a portion of my Appearance. This grant shall be binding on my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and the successors and assigns of the WOSGA. I hereby waive all privacy, publicity, defamation, libel, and proprietary rights relating to the Appearance as used by the WOSGA in conjunction with these terms. Players are required to cooperate with representatives of the media; however, no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required. Authorized representatives of the media will not interfere with the player's Championship play in an unreasonable manner.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

Players must register for the Championship by registering in person at Marion Country Club between 10:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, July 9, 2023, or if the player cannot register in person, they must call and speak to Laurie Keller (724) 272-8448. **DO NOT LEAVE A MESSAGE WITH PRO SHOP STAFF.** Place in the field may be forfeited by a player from whom no word is received by 4:00 P.M. on Sunday, July 9, 2023.

PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Players are permitted one practice round. Practice round times have been reserved on Sunday, July 9, 2023, between 11:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Please call the pro shop (740) 387-8575 after Sunday, June 25, 2023, to schedule your practice round. Players may ride in carts during the practice round only and for an additional fee; please check with Marion Country Club for the cart fee. Parents may not play during the practice round. For those living within a 60-mile radius of the club, a practice round may be arranged two weeks before the tournament. All players are responsible for scheduling their practice rounds.

AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION; WALKING

Contestants may carry their clubs or use a pull cart during a stipulated round. Players shall not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the WOSGA Executive Committee. The player is prohibited from using a caddie during the stipulated round.

SPECTATORS/PARENTS

During a stipulated round, spectators and/or parents are not permitted to converse with contestants or provide advice, must keep a distance of at least one-half ($\frac{1}{2}$) a hole ahead any contestant they are following, and may not talk with a contestant until after their scorecard is signed and attested, except in the case of an emergency. Parents/spectators shall not help with rulings. Penalty for breach of Condition: *2-stroke penalty per occurrence*. It is the responsibility of each contestant to enforce this restriction.

DRESS CODE

Players shall abide by the host club's dress code. Failure to do so may result in a player's inability to be present on the property, which may lead to disqualification.

FOOTWEAR

It is a condition of the competition that 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 are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition is disqualification.

WAIT LIST

If a player withdraws before or on the first day of the Championship before playing their first stroke, substitution is allowable. The WOSGA shall maintain a list of alternates (Wait List). Vacancies in the field will be offered to an alternate in order entries were received. Any tie for the last spot in the field by an alternate will be settled by chance (drawing of the lot). WOSGA reserves the right to modify the selection process at any time.

ACCEPTANCE INTO THE CHAMPIONSHIP

WOSGA may reject, at their discretion, an entry application, revoke an accepted application, expel from the Championship, or suspend a player from future championships for any reason including, improper withdrawal from the Championship, failure to provide requested information such as proof of your state of residency or club affiliation, or unbecoming conduct. See WOSGA *Conditions of Competition and Local Rules*, effective January 1, 2023. All entries are subject to acceptance by the WOSGA. WOSGA may reject an entry without reason and shall not be required by the applicant to provide a cause.

PAYMENT; FOOD SERVICE

Marion Country Club will accept cash or credit card for other goods and services not included in the Championship's entry fee. No personal checks or reciprocal club charges will be accepted. Players and their guests may purchase food or beverage from the Club during the tournament week.

CHAMPIONSHIP CONTACTS

The Ohio Junior Girls is hosted by the Women's Ohio State Golf Association (WOSGA): Nancy Noble, (419) 651-3000/ nobleone@zoominternet.net or Laurie Keller, (724) 272-8448/ lkeller40@yahoo.com. Online registration is hosted by the Ohio Golf Association (OGA), 614-698-0014.

NOTICE REGARDING COVID

WOSGA is undertaking all possible measures to limit the exposure of players to COVID-19. Each player is responsible for understanding and complying with any travel restrictions and quarantine requirements and recommendations before registering for a specific championship and at the time of the competition. Please familiarize yourself with the requirements and guidelines for any county you may be traveling to or from. Failure to adhere to guidelines published by the WOSGA conducting the Championship may result in the withdrawal of the players' entry and removal from the course. Withdrawal fees or loss of entry fee will apply, dependent on the situation. All players accepted into the field will be required to follow all mitigation measures implemented by WOSGA concerning COVID-19. These requirements are on the WOSGA website (wosga.org) and are a Condition of Competition for all players.



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ENTRY FORM

Entry deadline: Monday, June 26, 2023, 11:59 P.M.

ENTRY FEE: \$150.00

PLAYER'S PICNIC GUEST FEE: \$20.00

ONLINE APPLICATION: www.wosga.org or www.ohiogolf.org

MAIL PAPER APPLICATION AND CHECK TO: Laurie Keller, 826 Oakbrook Drive, Ashland, Ohio 44805
Make check payable to Women's Ohio State Golf Association. Do not send cash. Include picnic guest fees with payment.

Complete all applicable blanks or entry may be rejected.

Name: _____ Age: _____ (as of 12:01 A.M. on July 10, 2023)
Print name by which you wish to be identified.

Street: _____

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parent Cell Phone: () _____ Player Cell Phone: () _____

Club (if any) _____

Date of Birth: Month: _____ Day: _____ Year: _____ High School: _____

How many years have you played in this event? _____ Year of High School Graduation: _____

E-mail Address (Please Print Clearly): _____

What is your legal state of residency? _____ If not Ohio, provide a letter stating that you are a member of a WOSGA member club dated and signed by the General Manager of your Club with your application.

CERTIFICATION OF HANDICAP

GHIN # of the above player is: _____ Handicap Index[®]: _____

Notice of acceptance into the OJG will be sent to applicants by email prior to the event. The player's name will be listed on the WOSGA's website.

I have read and agree to the Championship regulations attached hereto and posted on the Women's Ohio State Golf Associations (WOSGA) website, www.WOSGA.org. I have read and agree to registration requirements at the Championship site and the Conditions of Competition, Local Rules, Pace of Play, Sportsmanship Policy, and Code of Conduct. By entering a WOSGA event, the participant and any spectators associated with a participant understands and agrees that there are known risks involved with the participation in a golf event, including but not limited to being struck by lightning, being struck by a golf ball or golf Club, suffering from heat exhaustion, incurring a severe health problem like a heart attack or stroke, being injured by uneven terrain, being injured while riding in a golf cart or by a golf cart, or maybe exposed to COVID-19, all of such risks participant assumes and solely accepts, and waives all claims of injury to body or property against the WOSGA. Furthermore, the participant agrees that while on the premises of all WOSGA events, the participant, any spectators/guest associated with the participant, shall be present at their own risk and that the WOSGA shall not be liable for any claims for injuries or damages whatsoever to person or property of that participant or associated person arising out of or in connection with the participation in the WOSGA event or presence at the WOSGA event. I, and my associated persons, assume full responsibility for all my or their acts, whether said acts are deemed to be intentional, negligent or otherwise, and hold harmless the WOSGA, its committee members, tournament directors, officers, executive committee, and host club from any and all liability for any event or consequence relating to entry or participation in this event. I agree to have my name and hometown posted on the website and for the publication of results. I hereby grant permission to the WOSGA to use my name, image, likeness, and sound of my voice as recorded on audio or video devices without payment or any other consideration and understand that my image may be edited, copied, exhibited, published or distributed and waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of my image or recording. I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the WOSGA.

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Signature of Parent/Guardian _____ Date _____
(Parent/guardian signature required if contestant is under 18 years of age)

Number of Picnic Guests _____ @ \$20.00/each = \$ _____

Total Amount Included: Player Entry Fee Plus of \$150.00 plus Picnic Guest Fee(s) (Above) = \$ _____