



## 99<sup>th</sup> Women's Ohio State Amateur and 6<sup>th</sup> Women's Ohio State Mid-Amateur

June 27 – June 30, 2022 • Ashland Golf Club • 1333 Center Street, Ashland, OH 44805

2021 State Amateur Champion • Ali Green, Hillsboro  
2021 State Mid-Amateur Champion • Suzi Spotleson, Canton

### FORMAT

The Championships are individual match play events with 18 holes of stroke play qualifying; players must enter either the State Amateur or the Mid-Amateur.

**Field:** The entire field is limited to 96 players: 64 in the State Amateur and 32 in the Mid-Amateur.

**Entry Priority:** Entries of players with a GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> less than 9.4 and past WOSGA tournament champions have priority acceptance through Monday, April 25, 2022. After priority entry, all other entries will be first come, first served as determined by the entry's postmark. If the field is full before the closing date, entrants will be placed on the Alternate List. WOSGA reserves the right to modify field size at any time and select players based on GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup>.

### Divisions/Age

**State Amateur:** No age limit. The player must have an individual up-to-date GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> not exceeding 18.0.

**Mid-Amateur:** Players must have reached their 30<sup>th</sup> birthday by Monday, June 27, 2022 (*i.e.*, 30 and older). Mid-Amateur players must have an individual up-to-date GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> not exceeding 25.0.

### ELIGIBILITY

Invitations are extended to amateur female golfers who (1) are members of a 2022 Women's Ohio State Golf Association (WOSGA) member club, or (2) maintain a GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> at an Ohio public course or a non-WOSGA member Ohio private club and are Ohio residents, and (3) meet the handicap requirements. A player's eligibility is determined by their GHIN Handicap Index<sup>®</sup> in effect on the date their entry was received. The events are invitationals. WOSGA reserves the right to reject any entry.

**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 Rule 4.

**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 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 March 31, 2022.

**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](mailto:contact@wosga.org). The request must be dated no later than three days after the player's entry form and fee are postmarked. WOSGA must be notified of 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, 887 S. High Street, 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.

**Withdrawal from the Championship:** Players must contact the WOSGA Tournament Director Kaye Julian via email at [kayemmm44@gmail.com](mailto:kayemmm44@gmail.com) to withdraw from the Championship. No voicemails will be accepted. For 2022, refunds will be issued based upon a diagnosis of COVID-19 up to and including Sunday, June 26, 2022. For Covid only, participants must present proof by email to [ddeanto@desanto-mcncihols.com](mailto:ddeanto@desanto-mcncihols.com) for a refund. After the start of the Championship, a player must have the consent of the WOSGA Tournament Directors or a designated WOSGA committee member to withdraw from the Championship. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from future WOSGA competitions. Do not contact the host club personnel to withdraw.

## ENTRIES: FORM, FEES, CLOSING DATE, and REFUNDS

Players must apply on the WOSGA entry form, a copy thereof, obtainable from the WOSGA or the WOSGA website ([www.wosga.org](http://www.wosga.org)). The entry form is attached to this Application. Acknowledgment of acceptance of entry will be sent via email prior to the event. WOSGA will have no liability with respect to errors in the delivery of applications and the consequences thereof, including rejection of the entry. No entries or entry fees will be taken at the tee.

### Entry Fees

\$225 for Private Club Players from 2022 WOSGA Member Clubs

\$250 for All Other Players; Must be a Legal Ohio Resident

*The entry fee includes driving range balls, lunch on Monday and Tuesday, and prizes.*

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### ENTRY FORMS MUST BE POSTMARKED BY JUNE 6, 2022

*Entry forms are considered complete when full payment is received by WOSGA.  
Late applications are not acceptable and will be automatically rejected.*

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**Refunds:** A \$15.00 processing fee is deducted from all refunds. After entries close, the entry fee will be refunded, minus the processing fee, for injury or illness if requested by 11:59 P.M. EST on Tuesday, June 21, 2022. Notify the WOSGA Tournament Director to withdraw from the tournament. Any entry fee paid by an alternate with a position on the official Alternate List who is not accepted into the Championship will be refunded in full.

## SCHEDULE/TIES

The competition will be in two stages:

### (A) Stroke Play: 18 holes of stroke play to determine flights for match play.

#### State Amateur

Single elimination match play. The 32 low qualifiers comprise the Championship Flight. All other flights in the State Amateur shall consist of 16 or 8 players. Should the returning Champion not claim the #1 seed, then a tie for medalist will be broken immediately by a sudden-death play-off. A tie for the last place in the Championship Flight shall be determined immediately by a sudden-death playoff. All other ties are broken by comparison of the scorecard determining the winner.\* If there is an insufficient number of players to fill a flight, the flight may be played as a stroke play event and/or a combination of stroke and match play, at the discretion of the WOSGA.

#### Mid-Amateur

Single elimination match play with a consolation bracket. The Mid-Amateur consolation bracket will be comprised of the players who lose matches on Tuesday. Seeding for matches in the consolation bracket maybe by drawing of the lot if there is an insufficient number of players or for other unforeseen reasons. Should the returning Champion not claim the #1 seed, then a tie for medalist will be broken immediately by a sudden-death play-off. All other ties are broken by comparison of the scorecard determining the winner.\* If there is an insufficient number of players to fill a flight, the flight may be played as a stroke play event and/or a combination of stroke and match play, at the discretion of the WOSGA.

\*Scorecard playoff: the winner is 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 the 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.

### Championship Schedule and Tee Time

The schedule assumes a full field. Schedule is subject to change based on field size. Pairings will be available as soon as possible after a round and posted at [www.wosga.org](http://www.wosga.org). Due to weather conditions tee times may change.

	State Amateur			Mid-Amateur	
Monday	Qualifying Round. 18 Holes Stroke Play			Qualifying Round. 18 Holes Stroke Play	
	Championship Flight	First Flight	Second Flight	Championship Flight	
	(B) Match Play: General numerical draw is used.			(B) Match Play: General numerical draw is used.	
Tuesday	Round of 32	Round of 16	Round of 16	Round of 32	Consolation Bracket
Wednesday AM	Round of 16	Round of 8	Round of 8	Round of 16	Round of 16
Wednesday PM	Quarterfinals	Semifinals	Semifinals	Quarterfinals	Round of 8
Thursday AM	Semifinals	Finals	Finals	Semifinals	Semifinals
Thursday PM	Finals			Finals	Finals

## **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 LUNCHES**

Lunch is available for players following Monday's and Tuesday's round and is included in the entry fee. Caddies and spectators may purchase food.

## **PRIZES**

Prizes shall be awarded to the overall champion, runner-up, and semifinalists in the State Amateur and the overall champion and runner-up in the Mid-Amateur. Flight winners and runners-up receive prizes. The medalist is the competitor(s) with the lowest score for Qualifying in each division. The medalist will receive an award; co-medalists are possible. WOSGA reserves the right to modify the number of prizes awarded based on field size and for weather-shortened events.

## **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](http://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 are required to register on site. On-site player registration is from 12:30 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. on Sunday, June 26, 2022. Players who do not register may forfeit their position in the field to players on the Alternate List. No refunds will be given for forfeited positions.

## **PRACTICE PRIVILEGES**

Practice rounds are available on Sunday, June 26, 2022, beginning at 1:00 P.M. The cost is \$ 40.00+tx. to ride or \$30.00+tx. to walk to play on a Sunday. The Club's *Rack Rate* will be charged if you play on any other day but Sunday. Contact the pro shop starting on Sunday, May 29, 2022, at (419) 289-3767 to schedule a practice round tee time. Contestants living within a 60-mile radius of the course are encouraged to arrange a practice round before Sunday, June 26, 2022; local players should contact the pro shop to check on availability and schedule their practice round. All contestants must arrange their own practice rounds.

## **AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION; WALKING**

A player may use automotive transportation, carry their clubs, use their pull cart, or use a caddy. Note the definition of caddy and equipment when using carts. All drivers must have a valid driver's license.

### **Cart and Walking Fees**

Fees are charged by the host club to use carts and to walk. These fees are not included in the entry fee. The cart and walking fees must be paid to the golf shop daily. All fees are per person per round. If you use two seats in a cart, then you owe the golf shop two cart fees. The walking fee is for the player only. If you play two rounds in one day, then you owe the golf shop fees for your morning and afternoon round with the fee dependent on your chosen mode of transportation.

Cart Fee: \$20 (per person, per round; pay Ashland Golf Club)

Walking Fee: \$5 (per person, per round; pay Ashland Golf Club)

## **CART POLICY**

WOSGA Policy 2016-2 limits the number of carts to two (2) per group. Caddies may ride with players as long as caddies do not take the seat of another player. If a player and their caddie wish to ride alone, they may do so with permission of the host club as long as they do not exceed the two cart per group rule. A fee is required for all seats in a cart. If a caddie and a player choose to ride, a fee is required for the additional seat in the cart. The hosting course may charge spectators a fee to ride in carts.

## **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.

## **SUBSTITUTIONS; ALTERNATE'S 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 (Alternate's 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 March 31, 2022. 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**

The host club will accept credit card only 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**

For questions about the championship, your entry status, or to withdraw, contact Kaye Julian via email at [kayemmm44@gmail.com](mailto:kayemmm44@gmail.com). The Women's Ohio State Amateur and Women's Ohio State Mid-Amateur are hosted by the Women's Ohio State Golf Association. Visit our webpage [www.wosga.org](http://www.wosga.org).

