



2025 One-Day Tournament Series

Conducted by the Carolinas Golf Association

Terms of Competition

Eligibility

Entry is open to any amateur golfer who has reached his or her 13th birthday by the tournament date, is a member of a club which is a member of the Carolinas Golf Association, and has an active Handicap Index® at CGA member club. Entries are subject to rejection at any time including during the event, by the CGA or by the club hosting the tournament. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

Format and Rules

USGA® *Rules of Golf* govern play. Any local rules will be announced the day of play. The tournament format is 18 holes of individual stroke play (or 36 holes if it is a two-day tournament), both gross and net. Player's Handicap Index calculated as of the close of entries. Following the *Rules of Handicapping*, 100 percent of a player's Course Handicap™ is used to determine net scores.

*Maximum Score: During play in One-Day Four-Ball Tournaments, a player is allowed a maximum score of **9 GROSS STROKES** on any hole. Please refer to [Rule 21.2](#) for more information.*

The CGA monitors handicap score posting and reserves the right to adjust course handicaps and/or withhold prizes for competitors whose handicaps are considered unrealistic or who have participated in a disproportionate share of CGA prize distributions. Players should check-in with CGA tournament director before play to receive official scorecard and tournament information. CGA will automatically post tournament scores to the player's scoring record in the World Handicap System™.

Links to: [World Handicap System™](#) | [CGA Code of Conduct](#) | [CGA Tournament Manual](#) | [Rules Sheet](#) | [Pace of Play Policy](#)

Divisions & Tournaments

The field will be divided into divisions based upon handicap index, gender, and age. Players may choose to compete in any division in which they are eligible. Men Long: No index restriction (all ages, 6300-6900 yards); Men Regular: No index restriction (all ages 5800-6400 yards); Senior Men: No index restriction (age 55+, 5800-6400 yards); Super Senior Men: No index restriction (age 65+, 5400-6000 yards); Women: No index restriction (all ages, 4600-5200 yards). Note that yardage may vary based on the tournament host site. Flights are created in divisions with more than 16 entries. A division with less than 4 entries will either compete based on net only or be combined with another division. Division changes are not allowed after entries close.

Entry Information

Entries are accepted online only. Entry fee is **\$95 per player**, which includes all golf fees and prizes. One-day tournaments have two forms of registration: First-Come Registration (FCR) and Lottery Registration (LR). Each are defined below.

Regardless of the type of registration, entries open at 8:00 p.m. on the entry open date. Players who are a "No Show" (DNS) or "No Card" (NC) are subject to suspension from future one-days. Tee time and pairing requests are accepted, but not guaranteed.

Late Entries

Late entries are not guaranteed entry into a tournament.

After the close of entries, a player may contact the CGA at tournaments@carolinascgolf.org or contact the official in charge (listed on the tournament website) to request a late entry. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the CGA and only if a spot is available in the field.

Accepted late entries will be charged a \$30 late fee in addition to the entry fee of the tournament. The late fee is non-refundable, regardless of participation in the tournament.

First-Come Registration (FCR)

For most events, entries are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis (FCR). In FCR, alternates are ranked in the order which entries are received and placed on the waitlist. Division selection has no bearing on entry or alternate order. Entries close when the allotment of accepted and alternate players is filled or at 11:59 p.m. on the entry close date.

Lottery Registration (LR)

For select events clearly identified on the online schedule, a lottery will be used to determine entries (LR). LR will open at 8:00 p.m. on the open date and players will have a 3-day window to register. If the event is over capacity after the entry window, all entries will be placed into a randomized lottery. The max capacity (usually 72-88 players) will receive entry to the event based on lottery order and the remaining players will be placed on the waitlist based on lottery order. Division selection has no bearing on lottery selection.

If the event does NOT meet max capacity in the 3-day LR window, all registered players will receive entry into the event. The event will then revert to FCR and players who register after the window will receive entry based on a first-come, first-served basis. In this scenario, entries will close when the allotment of accepted and alternate players is filled or at 11:59 p.m. on the adjusted entry close date.



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There is no advantage to signing up earlier or later in the 3-day LR window. All entries, regardless of registration time in the 3-day LR window, are equal and will be placed in the randomized lottery. Players will be notified of their status (registered or waitlisted) within 48 hours after the event closes.

All events are treated as separate events and no preference is given to any player for back-to-back events. LR does not affect or change any withdrawal or refund procedures (see below).

Refund Policy

Any withdrawal within three (3) days of the day of the tournament will not receive a refund. All other withdrawals are subject to a \$30 administrative fee. An entry on the wait list may withdraw at any time for no administrative fee.

<u>Deadline for Refund (less \$30 admin fee) at 11:59 pm</u>	<u>First Day of Tournament</u>
Thursday	Monday
Friday	Tuesday
Saturday	Wednesday
Sunday	Thursday
Monday	Friday
Tuesday	Saturday
Wednesday	Sunday

Wait List Status

The waitlist for a tournament will be filled based on the order the entry was received or the order of the lottery registration while entries are open. Once entries close (or in the case of lottery events, pairings are created), the waitlist for the tournament will be filled based on the division of the player to withdraw.

A waitlist entry does not pay the entry fee until being added to the tournament field, subsequently, an entry may be removed from the waitlist at any time without being subject to the Refund Policy.

Once an entry is moved from the waitlist to the field, the entry is subject to the Refund Policy. A waitlisted entry will receive an email notification when moved to the field. This can occur at any time up to and including the day before the tournament. To avoid the possibility of being subject to an admin fee once added to the field, an entry should be removed from the waitlist as soon as there is no desire or ability to play in the tournament if that entry was later added to the field.

Prizes and Merchandise

Merchandise certificates are awarded for low gross and net scores in all divisions. As a general guide, merchandise certificates are awarded to 1/3 of the entries in each division/flight with a bias of more net prizes than gross. Merchandise certificates are redeemable only at the host club's golf shop. Ties for 1st place or last place will be broken using the following method; matching scorecards using the back nine (holes #10-#18), last 6 holes (holes #13-#18), last 3 holes (holes #16-#18), 18th hole, then 18th hole going backward.

The CGA and the Host Facility are not responsible for any unclaimed or unredeemed merchandise certificates after a tournament play date. It is the player's responsibility to claim or redeem a certificate or golf shop credit before leaving a tournament site. The CGA and the Host Facility will not replace any lost or unclaimed merchandise certificates/gift cards after a tournament is played.

One-Day Series Championships

The One-Day Individual Series Championships will be played on January 10 at Caledonia & True Blue.

The Tournament of Champions has been discontinued and the One-Day Series Championships will be the only year-end event for the One-Day Tournament program. [Click Here to Learn More.](#)