

36TH ANNUAL NATIONAL RETIRED MILITARY GOLF CLASSIC *Format and Rules*



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FORMAT AND RULES

1. Play for the tournament will be by the selective shot (Captain's choice) method. Each player will be put into a handicap division, A, B, C, or D, according to their handicap. Play is based on the 4-person team score only. (Men play 72 holes. Women play 54 holes).
2. The "A" player on each team is the Captain and is responsible for the team's play, the correctness of the score card, the signing of the card, and delivery of the score card to the scorer's table. The "B" player will also sign and validate the score card. Incorrect cards will be penalized if not corrected prior to final posting.
3. **Men:** All players under the age of 70 will play from the REGULAR tees. Players 70–79 years on the first day of tournament competition will play from the FORWARD tees. Players 80 years and over on the first day of tournament competition will play from the "SUPER SENIOR" tees.
Ladies: Ladies will play from the RED tees on every hole. Ladies 80 years and over on the first day of tournament competition play from the "SUPER SENIOR" tees.
4. At the completion of each 18 holes of play, each player will receive the same score representing the team's effort. The next day each player will have three new partners to make up a new foursome. This method will continue throughout the tournament. At the end of the tournament play, each golfer will have four separate scores to combine for his total. Women will have three scores.
5. Format of Play:
 - a. Each player will hit tee shots from the designated tee markers.
 - b. The best drive is selected and all players will play from this spot. Player's ball may be placed within one (1) club length of the selected ball, not nearer the hole, if in the team's own fairway.
 - c. If the selected ball lies in the **rough, a hazard, or another fairway, the owner of the selected ball MUST play his ball first as it lies** and then his partners **place** their ball within one (1) club length, not nearer the hole, in a lie that is the **most similar** to that of the original ball (this permits raking a sand bunker after each shot). **A ball may not be moved from rough or hazard to fairway, or from the fringe of the green to the putting surface without penalty. On the putting surface the selected ball may be moved one putter head length, not nearer the hole.**
 - d. This procedure will continue until the selected ball is holed out.
6. USGA rules will apply to play with the exception of the local rules outlined on the scoring card.

FAILURE TO FOLLOW THE ABOVE SIX (6) RULES WILL BE A BASIS FOR DISQUALIFICATION.

Only soft spikes may be worn on all courses.

7. In the event of inclement weather, the following applies:
 - a. Rain out on the first day, the second, third, and fourth day scores will count.
 - b. If unable to play the second day or unable to complete the second day's round, winners will be determined on the basis of the first, third, and fourth day score.
 - c. If unable to play the third day or unable to complete third day's round, winners will be determined on the basis of first, second, and fourth day score.
 - d. If unable to play the fourth day, winners will be determined based on first three (3) days score.
 - e. For the ladies, if inclement weather does not permit play for one or two rounds of the tournament, winners will be determined based on scores for the completed round or rounds.
8. No club limit will be observed for this tournament.
9. The tie breaking procedure will be determined following the procedure below:

The player's team score, before the selective shot equity system is applied, in order, for the last round played, the next to last round played, and so on. If the tie is not broken using all rounds played, the tie will be broken by lot.
10. Should a member of a team fail to show, the following procedure will apply:
 - a. If the "A" player is missing, the "B" player becomes the "A" player. He and the "C" player will alternate holes for the missing player. This established sequence will continue throughout the round. **All players must play their own shot first.** The missing player's shot will always be the second shot. The player will play both his shot and the missing player's shot (to include mulligans) until the ball is holed. Male players under the age of 70 will play from the REGULAR tees. Male players 70–79 years on the first day of tournament competition will play from the FORWARD tees. All players 80 years and over on the first day of tournament competition will play from the "SUPER SENIOR" tees. Upon completion of the round the team gross score will be adjusted based upon the "B" player's handicap (see Rule 12). **NOTE:** If the "B" player becomes the "A" player, he still competes as a "B" player for prizes.
 - b. If the "B," "C," or "D" player is missing, the "A" player, **BEFORE PLAY BEGINS**, will assign the remaining players the holes each will play (odd or even). The "A" player does not participate. This designated sequence of play must be continued for the duration of the round. Male players under the age of 70 will play from the REGULAR tees. Male players 70–79 years on the first day of tournament competition will play from the FORWARD tees. All players 80 years and over on the first day of tournament competition will play from the "SUPER SENIOR" tees. **All players must play their own shot first.** The missing player's shot will always be the second shot. The player will play both balls (to include mulligans) until the ball is holed.
 - c. If a team has two players missing, the remaining players, as a twosome, play two balls for 18 holes. Male players under the age of 70 will play from the REGULAR tees. Male players 70–79 years on the first day of tournament competition will play from the FORWARD tees. All players 80 years and over on the first day of tournament competition will play from the "SUPER SENIOR" tees.

NOTE: MISSING PLAYER SHOTS ARE USED FOR SCORING PURPOSES ONLY. THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR PRIZES.

11. A SELECTIVE SHOT EQUITY SYSTEM will be used to alleviate scoring differences due to variations in the “A” player handicaps as follows:

MEN	
Men’s Handicap	Points Deducted
1	.35
2	.70
3	1.05
4	1.40
5	1.75
6	2.10
7	2.45
8	2.70
9	3.00
10	3.20
11	3.40
12	3.60
13	3.80
14	4.00
15	4.20
16	4.40
17	4.60
18	4.80
19	5.00

WOMEN	
Women’s Handicap	Points Deducted
4	.30
5	.55
6	.80
7	1.05
8	1.30
9	1.55
10	1.80
11	2.05
12	2.30
13	2.55
14	2.80
15	3.05
16	3.30
17	3.55
18	3.80
19	4.05
20	4.30
21	4.55
22	4.80
23	5.05

12. Points to be deducted from the team score will be determined on the “A” player’s handicap. In the event the team’s “A” player does not show, the “B” player becomes the team’s “A” player and the point deduction for the team will be based on the “B” player’s handicap.

13. All decisions made by the tournament committee shall be final.

14. Range finders or GPS systems, of any type, used to determine distance or other course features and approved by the USGA may be used. **Those with “slope” reading capability are not authorized.**

Prizes will be awarded in the “A,” “B,” “C” and “D” divisions. Each player will acquire points based on the score of the team he plays with on that particular day.

SPECIAL RULES

Each player’s tee shot must be used at least two (2) times each 18 holes. Please indicate hole # of 2 tee shots used for each player. Only 2 per player needed on score card. Penalty - one stroke per violation. **One mulligan per player per day.** Mulligans may be used anywhere. When mulligans are used on Par 3 tee shots - no prizes will be awarded. Missing players’ mulligans may be used.

SLOW PLAY MAY BE PENALIZED

Good Luck...Have Fun!!!