

ARKANSAS WOMEN'S GOLF ASSOCIATION STANDING RULES

Article I - AWGA Annual Championship Tournaments

Section A. Eligibility to Participate

To be eligible to compete in the annual tournaments, a player must meet all the following requirements:

1. She must be a female amateur golfer within the meaning prescribed by the USGA and have a USGA approved handicap index.
2. She must currently be, and have been for six months, domiciled in the State of Arkansas or in the State of Texas, within twenty (20) miles of Texarkana.
3. She may not compete in any one calendar year in both the AWGA annual Championship Tournaments and the annual Championship Tournaments of another state. Members of Texarkana Country Club are exempt from this requirement.
4. She must be a member of an AWGA Member Club or Association and an individual member of the AWGA, with the dues for both being paid.
5. She must submit her entry fee to the AWGA by the deadline specified on the invitation.
6. A contestant must be at least sixteen (16) years of age. If younger than sixteen (16), she must have an established handicap index of 12.0 or under. The winner and runner-up of the Junior Girls State Championship are eligible to participate regardless of age or handicap index. Junior contestants may have a sibling or a parent as a caddie.

The Board of Directors reserves the right to reject any entry.

Section B. Match Play Championship

1. Rules of Competition
 - A. Competition in the annual tournament shall be according to the Rules of Golf as set forth by the USGA, subject only to specific exceptions made herein, or to any local rules adopted by the AWGA Rules Committee and set out in the Notice to Competitors. The match play field shall be limited to the number of entrants determined by the Tournament Chairman and the host club official (maximum of 144 players) entered by the deadline designated on the invitation.
 - B. Championship tees will be set at approximately 5800 yards. Yardage for all other flights will be set at approximately 5200 yards. Players who desire to compete from the longer tees in an effort to make Championship Flight must declare this intention. Players who fail to qualify for Championship Flight will be placed in the Mary Perrin or Lou Miller Flights, depending upon the number of contestants and will play from the Championship tees. To be eligible for Player of the Year, Fore States and USGA State Team points, participants must compete from the Championship tees. To be eligible for the medalist, junior medalist or senior medalist permanent trophies, participants must compete from the championship tees.
 - C. There shall be a qualifying round for all contestants played from the yardage selected on the entry form. Contestants will be placed in flights as determined by their signed qualifying scorecards. The USGA numerical system of pairings will be used and competition thereafter will be match play.

- D. Championship flight will consist of the sixteen (16) lowest qualifiers. Competitors losing first round matches will enter the President's flight and there will be no consolation bracket.
- E. The Mary Perrin and/or the Lou Miller flights will be composed of contestants who do not qualify for the Championship flight. If fewer than eight (8) or sixteen (16) players comprise these flights, the flights may be balanced. Competitors losing first round matches will enter the consolation bracket for their respective flights. If there are less than six (6) players in these flights, there will not be a consolation bracket.
- F. All other flights contested from the forward tees shall consist of eight (8) players with the following exception, if fewer than five (5) players constitute the last flight, the remaining flights may be balanced. Competitors losing first round matches will enter the consolation bracket for their respective flights. If there are less than six (6) players in the any flight, there will not be a consolation bracket.
 - a. For purposes of determining places in the numerical draw, ties in qualifying scores, other than those for the last place or places in the Championship flight, shall be decided by the lowest handicap index. If competitors have the same handicap index ties shall be determined by the following method:
 - a. Match cards for the last nine (9) holes total score; if still tied
 - b. Use the total score for the last six (6) holes; if still tied
 - c. Use the total score for the last three (3) holes; if still tied
 - d. Use the eighteenth hole score; if still tied,
 - e. Start with hole number one and card off until winner decided.

Ties for last place or places in the Championship flight shall be played off immediately at sudden death after qualifying is completed. Any player tied must be present for the playoff or forfeit her right to the Championship flight.

- b. The defending champion may take her number one position in the Championship flight or elect to qualify and take her position according to score. If she desires to compete for the Medalist or Team trophies, she must qualify.
- c. A contestant who defaults a match without prior approval of the Board of Directors may not be eligible for the next match play tournament.
- d. The winner of each match must give the results, in person, to the official at the scoreboard upon completion of the match. To speed play, contestants are to cease play when the match is decided.
- e. The AWGA is responsible for the posting of qualifying round scores only. The posting of match play scores is the responsibility of the competitor.
- G. Match Play Championship Tournament is considered a Class I tournament. See Article III, Section B, Number 1 for point schedule awarded.
- H. Cancellations must be received by the date specified on the invitation. No refunds will be issued after this deadline unless approved by the AWGA Executive Committee. All cases involving refunds will be assessed \$20 for administrative expenses.

2. AWGA Match Play Championship Trophies

- A. The winner of the Championship flight shall have custody of the Match Play Championship Trophy until the next annual tournament and her name shall be engraved thereon. The AWGA provides and awards the champion an engraved medallion on a disk.

- B. All permanent trophy winners shall sign a form presented by the AWGA, listing the competitor's name, contact information, date, trophy accepting, and an agreement to return said trophy the following year. Any damage incurred to permanent trophies is the responsibility of the competitor(s).
- C. Each winner of the following Medalist trophies shall have custody until the next annual Championship and her name is engraved thereon. If there is a tie for any trophy, each winner shall share custody of the trophy in equal time, with the first possession being determined by draw. The AWGA provides and awards each winner a medallion on a disk. To compete for the following trophies contestants must include age and indicate the club represented on their entry form when entering the tournament.
1. Championship Flight Medalist: The Helen Alexander Trophy, donated by Mrs. Stanley Alexander, will be awarded to the lowest qualifier of the Championship Flight.
 2. Open Flight Medalist: Awarded to the lowest qualifier in the Open Flight.
 3. Senior Medalist: The Grace Williams Trophy, donated by Mrs. J.M. Williams, is awarded to the lowest qualifier 50-59 years of age.
 4. Super Senior Medalist: The Mary Green Memorial Trophy, donated by Jeanie L. Prewitt, is awarded to the lowest qualifier 60-69 years of age.
 5. Super Super Senior Medalist: The Stephanie Stephens Trophy, donated by Conway Country Club and Cadron Valley Country Club Womensq Golf Associations, is awarded to the lowest qualifier 70 years of age and over.
 5. Junior Medalist: The Hardscrabble Trophy, donated by Miss Ed Dell Wortz, is awarded to the lowest qualifier younger than 18 years of age.
- D. Team Trophy: The Temple Trophy, donated by the late Mrs. Marguerite Temple Payne, is awarded to the three contestants from the same club having the lowest aggregate score on qualifying day. The club represented by the winners shall have custody until the next annual tournament. The trophy is not engraved. The AWGA provides a token of recognition to each member of the winning team.

3. Match Play Championship Prizes - Silver or pewter prizes are awarded as follows:

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| <p>A. Tournament Champion Permanent Championship Trophy Engraved medallion on a disk Prize (distinctively different than other flight winners)</p> | <p>Winner/Winner/Winner/Winner</p> |
| <p>B. Championship Runner-Up Prize (distinctively different than other flight winners)</p> | <p>Winner/Winner/Winner/Loser</p> |
| <p>C. Championship semi-finalists Prize (distinctively different than other flight winners)</p> | <p>Winner/Winner/Loser</p> |
| <p>D. Presidents Flight Prize (same as other flight winners)</p> | <p>Winner/Winner/Winner</p> |
| <p>E. Presidents Flight Runner-Up Prize (same as other flight winners)</p> | <p>Winner/Winner/Loser</p> |

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| F. | All Other Flights | Winner/Winner/Winner |
| | Flight Winner | Winner/Winner/Loser |
| | Flight Runner-Up | Loser/Winner/Winner |
| | Consolation Flight Winner | |
- G. Optional Events (to be held at the discretion of the AWGA Tournament Chairman)
Competitors will be divided into similar handicap groups and prizes will be awarded in both groups.
- Long Drive . Championship and Open Flight
Low Putts . Championship and Open Flight

Section C. Stroke Play Championship

1. Rules of Competition

- A. Competition in the annual tournament shall be according to the Rules of Golf as set forth by the USGA, subject only to specific exceptions made herein, or to any local rules adopted by the AWGA Rules Committee, and set out in the Notice to Competitors.
- B. The stroke play field will be determined by the fifty (50) entrants with the lowest handicap indexes entered and the balance of the field to be on a first enter, first play basis, with a maximum of 96 players.
- C. Championship tees will be set at approximately 5800 yards. Yardage for all other flights will be set at approximately 5200 yards. Players who desire to compete from the longer tees in an effort to make Championship Flight must declare this intention. Players who fail to qualify for Championship Flight will be placed in the Presidents or Governors Flights, depending upon the number of contestants and will play from the Championship tees. To be eligible for Player of the Year, Fore States and USGA State Team points, participants must compete from the Championship tees. To be eligible for the medalist, junior medalist or senior medalist permanent trophies, participants must compete from the championship tees.
- D. There shall be a two-day qualifying, after which contestants are placed in flights as determined by their qualifying signed score cards. All contestants competing from the Championship tees are eligible for the Championship, as well as points for Player of the Year, Fore States Cup Team and USGA State Team points.
- E. There shall be eight (8) contestants in all other flights. If fewer than six (6) players are in the last flight, the last flights may be balanced. In case of a tie the second day's qualifying score will be used to break the tie and award seeding numbers. Subsequently, players who post the same qualifying score, could compete in different flights.
- F. Ties for Championship will result in a sudden death playoff starting on Hole #1. Ties in all other flights shall be determined by the following method:
- f. Match cards for the last nine (9) holes total score; if still tied
 - g. Use the total score for the last six (6) holes; if still tied
 - h. Use the total score for the last three (3) holes; if still tied
 - i. Use the eighteenth hole score; if still tied,
 - j. Start with hole number one and card off until winner decided.
- G. Stroke Play Championship is considered a Class I tournament. See Article III, Section B, Article 2 for point schedule awarded.

- H. The AWGA is responsible for the posting of scores in the Stroke Play Championship.
- I. Cancellations must be received by the date specified on the invitation. No refunds will be issued after this deadline, unless approved by the AWGA Executive Committee. Any refunds issued will be less \$20 for administrative expenses.

2. AWGA Stroke Play Championship Trophies.

- A. The winner of the Championship flight shall have custody of the Stroke Play Championship Trophy until the next annual tournament and her name shall be engraved thereon. The AWGA provides and awards the champion an engraved medallion on a disk.
- B. All permanent trophy winners shall sign a form presented by the AWGA, listing the competitor's name, contact information, date, trophy accepting, and an agreement to return said trophy the following year. Any damage incurred to permanent trophies is the responsibility of the competitor(s).
- C. Each winner of the following Medalist trophies shall have custody until the next annual Championship and her name is engraved thereon. If there is a tie for any trophy, each winner shall share custody of the trophy in equal time, with the first possession being determined by draw. The AWGA provides and awards each winner a medallion on a disk. To compete for the following trophies contestants must include age and indicate the club or association represented on their entry form when entering the tournament.
 - 1. Medalist Trophy: The Medalist trophy is awarded to the lowest two-day qualifier.
 - 2. Open Flight Medalist: Awarded to the lowest two day qualifier in the open flight.
 - 3. Senior Medalist: The Spikes and McAlister trophy, donated by the Spikes and Jett families, is awarded to the lowest two-day qualifier age 50-59.
 - 4. Super Senior Medalist: The Les Kirkley trophy, donated by the Kirkley family, is awarded to the lowest two-day qualifier age 60 to 69.
 - 5. Super Super Senior Medalist: The Emogene D. Carter trophy, donated by the Carter family and the Camden C.C. WGA, is awarded to the lowest two day qualifier age 70 and over.
 - 6. Junior Medalist: The Ed Dell Wertz Junior Medalist Trophy is awarded to the lowest two-day qualifier less than 18 years of age.
- D. Team Trophy: The Mary Low Hindsman Team Trophy, donated by the Hindsman family, is awarded to the two contestants from the same club with the lowest two-day qualifying score. The winning club shall have custody of this trophy until the next annual tournament. The AWGA provides a prize to the winners.

3. Stroke Play Championship Prizes . Crystal

- A. Tournament Champion
 - Permanent Champion Trophy
 - Engraved medallion on a disk
 - Championship Flight Prize (distinctively different than other flight winners)

- B. Other Championship Winners: If this flight has more than eight (8) competitors, additional prizes may be awarded based upon the number of competitors.
 Second Prize (distinctively different from other flight winners)
 Third Prize (distinctively different than other flight winners)

- C. All Other Flight Winners: If any flight has more than eight (8) competitors, additional prizes may be awarded based upon the number of competitors.
 First Prize
 Second Prize
 Third Prize

- D. Optional Prize Events (to be held at the discretion of the AWGA Tournament Chairman)
 Competitors will be divided into similar handicap groups and prizes will be awarded in both groups.

Long Drive . Championship and Open Flight
 Low Putts . Championship and Open Flight

Section D. Four Ball Championship

- 1. Rules of Competition
 - A. Competition in the annual tournament shall be according to the Rules of Golf as set forth in the USGA, subject only to specific exceptions made herein or to any local rules adopted by the AWGA Rules Committee. This is a two-day tournament. Recommended tee times are Saturday and Sunday a.m. shotgun start. The field will be limited to the first 40-48 team entry forms received. The number of teams allowed will depend on the host club requirements

 - B. Teams will be flighted after the second day of play.

 - C. The number of flights will depend on the number of teams. Generally, 8 or 9 teams per flight are recommended. Prizes will be pro shop gift certificates. Prizes will be awarded to the First and Second Place Low Gross and Low Net teams in each flight. Prizes are awarded so that the team would win the best prize. For example, if a team is tied for second low gross or first low net, first low net would be awarded as that would be a larger prize. A team cannot win gross and net prizes.

 - D. There will be a sudden death playoff for low gross in the championship flight. All other ties will be carded off from a designated hole

 - E. The Four Ball Championship Tournament is not considered in the tournament classifications as outlined in Article III and points will not be distributed.

Section E. Junior Girls State Championship

1. Rules of Competition

- A. Eligibility requirements, Article 1, Section A, 1 - 5 must be met. The AWGA provides individual membership services to junior girls free of charge. Junior contestants must not have reached their 18th birthday by midnight of the final day of the championship. Junior contestants may use a sibling or parent as a caddie. However, any caddie can be removed by the junior tournament committee.
- B. The format of play for all contestants shall be two days of stroke play. There shall be three divisions:
 - 1. 18-hole division - from which the Junior Girls Champion shall be determined.
 - 2. 9-hole division - any age is eligible, with girls 15 - 17 encouraged to play the 18-hole division.
 - 3. A lesser division ranging from four to six holes, depending upon the course. Competitors must be 13 years of age or younger.
- C. When entries dictate, each division may be divided into flights, at the discretion of the Junior Chairman.
- D. Deadline for all entries will be strictly enforced. However, the Junior Committee can, at its discretion, accept a late entry. No refunds will be given after the deadline.
- E. Junior Girls State Championship is considered a Class I Tournament for Junior Girls. See Article V, Section A for point schedule awarded.

2. Junior Girls State Championship Trophies

- A. *AWGA Junior Championship Trophy- 18 hole division- furnished by the AWGA*
- B. *AWGA Junior Championship Trophy- 9 hole division- furnished by the AWGA*
- C. *Chronister Trophy* - donated by Don Chronister and Jane Whitmore Chronister. This medalist trophy is awarded to the lowest qualifier in the 18-hole division. She shall have custody of this trophy until the next annual tournament.
- D. *Dumas Trophy* - donated by Mr. And Mrs. Ned Dumas. This trophy is awarded to the two players representing any one club with the lowest gross score on the first day of play in the 18-hole division.

3. Junior State Championship Prizes

It is recommended that awards be given for first, second and third in each flight. At the discretion of the Junior Committee, additional prizes and awards may be given for long drive, low putts or other events.

Article II – AWGA Designated Tournaments

Section A. Eligibility to Participate in the Women’s Division- See Article I, Section E- 1A through 1D for Junior Eligibility Requirements Within Designated Tournaments.

To be eligible to compete in the annual tournaments, a player must meet all the following requirements:

1. She must be a female amateur golfer within the meaning prescribed by the USGA and have a USGA approved handicap index.
2. She must currently be, and have been for six months, domiciled in the State of Arkansas, or within twenty (20) miles of Texarkana.
3. She must be a member of an AWGA Member Club or Association and an individual member of the AWGA, with the dues for both being paid.
4. She must submit her entry fee to the AWGA by the deadline specified on the invitation.
5. A contestant must be at least sixteen (16) years of age. If younger than sixteen (16), she must have an established handicap index of 12.0 or under. Junior contestants may have a sibling or a parent as a caddie.

Section B. Rules of Competition and Tournament Format

1. Competition in designated tournaments shall be according to the Rules of Golf as set forth by the USGA, subject only to specific exceptions made herein, or to any local rules adopted by the Host Club Golf Professional and set out in the Notice to Competitors.
2. Championship tees will be set at approximately 5800 yards. Yardage for all other flights will be set at approximately 5200 yards. Players who desire to compete from the longer tees in an effort to make Championship Flight must declare this intention. Qualifying scores may be sub-divided into additional flights (President’s and/or Governor’s). To be eligible for Player of the Year and Fore States Cup Team points, participants must compete from the Championship tees.
3. The Host Club may limit the number of contestants. The entry fee will include cart rental and range balls for the two-day competition. The entry fee is determined by the AWGA Board of Directors. Practice round fees and cart fees are set by the Host Club.
4. Championship Flight shall be paired on the first day of competition by handicap and re-paired on the second day by gross score. Championship flight may be divided into Championship and President’s Flight after the second day of play based on the number of overall entries in the Championship Flight. The Open Flight will be pre-flighted by handicap.
5. The number of flights and prizes in each flight will depend on the number of entries. Prizes will be awarded for Low Gross and Low Net divisions in each flight. Prizes will be pro shop gift certificates. Prizes are awarded so that the competitor would win the best prize. For example, if a competitor is tied for second low gross or first low net, first low net would be awarded, as that would be a larger prize. A competitor cannot win both gross and net prizes.
7. The AWGA is responsible for the posting of designated tournament scores.

8. The AWGA will calculate the point distribution and point totals will be available on the website. For the purpose of designated point distributions, the competitor's age will be calculated on the date of the first scheduled AWGA event and she shall compete at said age for the duration of the year. Designated tournaments are Class II tournaments. See Article III, Section C

**Article III – AWGA Point Distributions
AWGA Player of the Year and Team Competitions**

Section A. Tournament Classifications

1. Class I Tournaments: AWGA State Match Play Championship
AWGA State Stroke Play Championship
2. Class II Tournaments: AWGA Designated Tournaments
3. Class III Tournaments: USGA Women's Open
USGA Women's Amateur
USGA Women's Mid Amateur

Section B. Point Distributions: Class I Tournaments - AWGA State Championships

1. AWGA State Match Play Championship: Points awarded in Championship Flight

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| Champion | 200 |
| Runner Up | 150 |
| Semifinalist | 120 |
| Quarterfinalist | 60 |

2. AWGA State Stroke Play Championship: Points awarded in Championship Flight

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|-----------------|-----|
| Champion | 200 |
| Runner Up | 150 |
| 3 rd | 130 |
| 4 th | 110 |
| 5 th | 90 |
| 6 th | 70 |
| 7 th | 50 |
| 8 th | 30 |

Section C. Point Distributions: Class II Tournaments - AWGA Designated Tournaments

The number of contestants in the Championship Flight determines the distribution of points according to the following scale:

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| 20 plus entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 |
| 15-19 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20 |
| 10-14 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30 |
| 5- 9 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40 |

Section D. Point Distributions: Class III Tournaments - USGA National Championships

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| US Women's Open: | Sectional* - 50 Low Amateur - 150 | Regional* - 75 2 nd Low Amateur . 75 | Cut - 125 3 rd Low Amateur - 50 |
| US Women's Amateur: | Sectional* - 50 | Cut . 50 | Each Match Won - 50 |
| US Women's Mid Am: | Sectional* - 50 | Cut . 50 | Each Match Won - 50 |

* Players exempt from Sectional and/or Regional Qualifying automatically receive those points.

Section E. Point Distribution for Ties in Stroke Play Events

1. In stroke play events in all classes, if two or more players are tied with the lowest total score the Champion will be determined by a play-off. The winner of the play-off receives the Champion points. The remaining players that lose in the play-off will receive points as follows:
 - a. If 2 players lose in the play-off, they divide the total of 2nd and 3rd place points.
If 3 players lose in a play-off, they divide the total of 2nd, 3rd, and 4th points equally.
 - b. If two or more players tie for any other position then they share the points equally.
For example: 3 players tie for 3rd in a Class II Tournament. They would receive 50 points each. {3rd (60) + 4th (50) + 5th (40) = 150 points,
150 divided by 3 players = 50 points each.

Article IV

AWGA Senior and AWGA Super Senior Players of the Year

Section A. Point Distribution: Class I Tournaments - AWGA State Championships

1. AWGA State Match Play Championship: Qualifying Round Only

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| 20 plus entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 |
| 15 - 19 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20 |
| 10 - 14 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30 |
| 5 - 9 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40 |

2. AWGA State Stroke Play Championship: 54 Hole Total Score

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|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 20 plus entrants: | 200, 150, 130, 110, 90, 70, 50, 30 |
| 15 - 19 entrants: | 200, 150, 130, 110, 90, 70, 50 |
| 10 - 14 entrants: | 200, 150, 130, 110, 90, 70 |
| 5 - 9 entrants: | 200, 150, 130, 110, 90 |

Section B. Point Distribution: Class II Tournaments: AWGA Designated

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|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| 20 plus entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 |
| 15 - 19 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20 |
| 10 - 14 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30 |
| 5 - 9 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40 |

Section C. Point Distribution: Class III Tournament : USGA Women's Senior

Sectional * - 50 Cut . 50 Each Match Won - 50

*Players exempt from Sectional Qualifying automatically receive those points.

**Article V
AWGA Junior Player of the Year**

Section A. Point Distribution: Class I Tournament: AWGA State Girls' Championship

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| Champion | 200 |
| Runner Up | 150 |
| 3 rd | 130 |
| 4 th | 110 |
| 5 th | 90 |
| 6 th | 70 |
| 7 th | 50 |
| 8 th | 30 |

Section B. Point Distribution: Class II Tournaments: Junior Designated Tournaments

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|-------------------|---------------------------------|
| 20 plus entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20, 10 |
| 15 - 19 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30, 20 |
| 10 - 14 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40, 30 |
| 5 - 9 entrants: | 100, 80, 60, 50, 40 |

Section C. Point Distribution: Class III Tournament: USGA Girls' Junior Championship

Sectional * - 50 Cut . 50 Each Match Won - 50

*Players exempt from Sectional Qualifying automatically receive those points.

**Article VI
AWGA Players of the Year**

The AWGA Player of the Year shall be based on the number of points earned within the current calendar year. A player must have participated in either the AWGA State Match or the AWGA State Stroke Play Championships during the year to be eligible. The AWGA Player of the Year will be honored at a year end awards ceremony.

Article VII
AWGA Senior Player of the Year &
AWGA Super Senior Player of the Year

The AWGA Senior Player of the Year (age 50 - 59) and the AWGA Super Senior (age 60+) shall be based on the number of points earned from September 1st of the previous year through August 31st of the current year. (If a tournament occurs on a weekend, September 1st of the current year will be used.) The player must have participated in either the AWGA State Match or the AWGA State Stroke Play Championship to be eligible.

Players competing from the Championship tees will have their scores adjusted by the difference between the course rating of the Championship tees and forward tees. The adjusted scores will be used in awarding points. The AWGA Senior and the AWGA Super Senior Players of the Year will be honored at the year end awards ceremony.

Article VIII
AWGA Junior Player of the Year

The AWGA Junior Player of the Year shall be based on the number of points earned within the calendar year. The player must have participated in an AWGA sponsored junior event during the current calendar year to be eligible for Junior Player of the Year. The AWGA Junior Player of the Year will be honored at the year end awards ceremony.

Article IX
Fore States Team, USGA State Team, Tri States Junior and Senior Teams

Team members are selected based on the AWGA Point System set forth in Article III. All Team Captains will be appointed by the President and approved by the AWGA Board of Directors. Team members will be recognized at the year-end awards ceremony.

1. Fore States Cup Team: Consists of ten players. Effective July 1, 2010, the first eight are to be selected by the point system established in AWGA Standing Rules, Article III and the next two by choice of the team captain (captain's picks). If one or more of the top eight (8) is unable to participate, the choice of player(s) reverts to the captain. The team members must have played in either, the AWGA State Match Championship, the AWGA State Stroke Championship, the AWGA Junior Girls Championship or an AWGA Designated Tournament within the last three years. Fore States Team points are calculated from July 1st of the previous year through June 30th of the current year. If a tournament occurs on a weekend, July 1st of the current year will be used.
2. USGA State Team: (Odd Years Only) Consists of three players to be selected by points earned in the current Player of the Year totals. Team members must have played in either, the AWGA State Match, the AWGA State Stroke or an AWGA Designated Tournament within the last three years.
3. Junior Tri State Team: Consists of eight (8) junior players. Effective January 1, 2012, the captain is encouraged to select the first six players by points earned. The captain has the responsibility of the supervision of minors, thus she is not bound by the point system and must submit reasonable evidence to the Board of Directors if any of the first six players by points earned is not selected. A majority vote of the Board of Directors will stand in case of a dispute. The remaining two players are to be selected by the team Captain. The team members must

have played in the AWGA GirlsqState Junior within the last three years. Tri States Team points are calculated from May 1st of the previous year through April 30th of the current year. If a tournament occurs on a weekend, May 1st of the current year will be used.

4. Senior Tri State Team: Consists of twelve (12) senior players. The first eight are to be selected by the point system established in AWGA Standing Rules, Article III and the next two by choice of the team captain (captain's picks). If one or more of the top eight (8) is unable to participate, the choice of player(s) reverts to the captain. In the event of a tie for the eighth spot, that position will be decided by the team captain. The final two team members must have double-digit handicaps. Those two players will be selected based on the following criteria: (1) the accumulation of Senior Tri-States points (as outlined above; and/or (2) participation in AWGA events. The team members must have played in either, the AWGA State Match Championship, the AWGA State Stroke Championship, or an AWGA Designated Tournament within the last two years. Senior Tri-States points are calculated from August 1 of the previous year through July 31 of the current year. If a tournament occurs on a weekend, August 1 of the current year will be used.

Article X Hall of Distinction and Service Awards

The AWGA Hall of Distinction was created to acknowledge the dedicated commitment of an AWGA member, in terms of ability, aid, assistance, participation, promotion and/or sponsorship. A Hall of Distinction honoree has given something back to the game. AWGA members can submit written nominations to the Hall of Distinction Chairman for the Board of Directors consideration.

Additionally, the AWGA Service Award was created to recognize women who have contributed a significant part of their lives in service to this Association. AWGA members can offer recommendations to the Board of Directors for consideration.

Article XI Course Rating

AWGA course rating services are available to AWGA member clubs or associations. Payment of annual club dues entitles these members to course rating services. The USGA requires golf courses to be rated every ten (10) years or upon significant changes to the course. Member clubs should contact the Course Rating Chairman to schedule services.