



2020 COVID-19 – 17th R. Jay Sigel Amateur Match Play Championship Playbook

The following player material is applicable for the 17th R. Jay Sigel Amateur Match Play Championship.

The Pennsylvania Golf Association asks that you do not come to any tournament if you do not feel well. You are NOT permitted to participate in the tournament if you have a fever or suffer from any respiratory illness. PA Golf staff has been instructed to refuse service to those who do not appear healthy, and you will be required to leave at once.

Please read this notice carefully and make sure you are fully prepared before coming to 17th R. Jay Sigel Amateur Match Play Championship. PA Golf staff will be closely monitoring these policies. All tournament participants and other persons will be expected to follow these policies to ensure the safety of everyone on the property/course.

The following steps to limit the exposure of our players, staff and facilities to the COVID-19.

Players are expected to supply their own facemasks and are expected to wear them when required at the host facility. Staff and Volunteers will wear a provided facemask when required at the host facility. Hand sanitizer will be available at the first tee and electronic scoring area.

Championship Field Size: Limited to 72 players.

Ball Washers: Ball washers may not be available.

Bunkers: Bunker rakes may be removed from the course. Until further notice, PA Golf will play lift, clean and place in all bunkers – 1 club length no closer to the hole. The ball must remain in the bunker. Players may NOT smooth the bunker before placing. PA Golf asks all players to smooth their damage in a bunker as much as possible after playing out of the bunker.

Caddies: Are NOT permitted at this time.

Cart Policy: Carts are permitted. A \$35 Cart fee is due each day to the club. Players may also choose to walk. Players may be required to wear a mask while riding together.

Drinking Water: Players are strongly encouraged to bring their own. Drinking water may not be available on the course.

Evacuation: In the event of a weather delay, players must head directly to their cars to wait for the all clear. The clubhouse will not be open.

Flagsticks: The staff will utilize the adopted PA Golf procedure for all events. Players are NOT permitted to touch the flagsticks.

Food and Beverage: Lunch will be provided each day of competition. Monday's lunch will be from approximately 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on the patio.

Hole Locations/Local Rules/Evacuation Plan: All players will receive an electronic version prior to the event. Hard copies will NOT be printed. Players may use their phones to view these documents.

Locker Rooms: Will NOT be available. The PA Golf staff will ensure there are bathrooms available and are cleaned often.

Masks: Are required inside of any facilities buildings and may be required outside anytime you are unable to meet social distancing requirements.

Pace of Play: PA Golf will utilize the two-checkpoint system for stroke play qualifying.

Playoff: In the event of a tie for the final match play position(s), a sudden-death playoff will be held immediately after the conclusion of stroke play. In the event of inclement weather, the playoff may take place on the following morning. In the event of a match standing all square after 18-holes, the stipulated round shall be deemed to extend on a hole-by-hole basis beginning on the first hole. Extra hole matches will have priority over tee times.

Player Planning: It is imperative for our tournament participants to have a plan for participation. Items that will need consideration include drinking water, facemasks, hand sanitizer, food, weather gear, sunblock, bug spray, equipment (golf gloves, balls, tees, ball markers, pencils and markers, towels), etc. Many of the normally available items will not be available.

Practice Rounds: Will NOT be available.

Score Entry: Each group will be **required** to have one player keep score for the entire group during the round. The GGID for each group is available at the starting tee. Please ensure your phone is charged prior to arrival at the event and you have downloaded the USGA Tournament Management/Golf Genius App.

Score Verification: When all the scores have been entered each player will be issued an email with all the scores from your round. Players may confirm their scores at the scoring area. Each player has a time limit of 20 minutes from completion of their round to dispute any score for a hole. Once 20 minutes have elapsed from the completion of the round the score will be considered returned. ***There will be no physical scorecards. PA Golf will distribute an electronic version prior to the event.***

Spectators: Spectators will NOT be permitted; except that any player who requires assistance in transportation to the tournament site or who requires assistance in driving a golf cart during the competition is permitted to authorize one and not more than one person to spectate at the event or, if applicable, but only if such person is a member of the player's immediate family and living in the same household as the player, to operate the player's golf cart during the competition; provided that in all such circumstances such person may not provide any

assistance to the player, may not indicate the line of play, may not handle the player's clubs or equipment, and may not otherwise provide any services normally provided by a caddie.

Warm-Up Range/Putting Green: Players are limited to arriving approximately 45 minutes prior to their tee time unless a particular facility/range location requires the use of more time. Players are limited to 15 minutes for range warm-up. Practice facilities will NOT be available after you complete play.

Withdrawals: Players must use great discretion to WD. The field is limited at this event. If you have any sense that you will have to WD, then please do so as soon as possible.

COVID-19 DISCLAIMER: *Any participation in the tournament, use of the golf course, a golf cart and facilities at 107th Amateur Championship and qualifiers, attendance or spectating may expose you to COVID-19. Your decision to participate in, use of the golf course, a golf cart and facilities is made knowingly and voluntarily by you with full knowledge of this risk. Otherwise, your participation in the tournament, use of the golf courses, golf carts and facilities, attendance or spectating shall constitute a waiver and release of the Pennsylvania Golf Association, its officers, directors, employees, contractors, volunteers, staff and agents from any and all liability with respect to exposure of the COVID-19. If you disagree, do not come.*