



**2013 Senior Games Golf Tournament – Shoreline Golf Links
Friday May 17, 2013 – 8:30am**

Conditions of Competition

1. GENERAL

a. Governance: The Bay Area Senior Games Golf Tournament will be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association (USGA) effective January 1, 2012. The Tournament will also follow the Rules specified by the National Senior Games Association, and specifically those outlined for Golf:

1. USGA rules regarding coaching will be strictly enforced.
2. USGA rules regarding pace of play will be observed.
3. Range finders of any type are permitted.

b. The Host Professional: The Tournament will be conducted under the direction of the Host Golf Professional at Shoreline Golf Links. The host Professional will be responsible for all interpretations and rulings on the conduct of the event and such rulings shall be final.

c. Entry Regulations:

1. Golfers must provide their own clubs.
2. Golf cart use during official competition is mandatory.

d. Format/Scoring: The Tournament will be an 18-hole medal play with Champions determined in each Senior Games age division (50-54, 55-59, 60-64, 65-69, 70-74, 75-79, 80-84, 85-89, 90+) for both men and women (90+ division will play nine holes only). Medals will be awarded in each division for both GROSS and NET scores; Gross score winners will be determined first, with all remaining competitors eligible for Net score medals. Tie-breakers will be broken using the USGA tie-breaking scorecard procedure (best score on last nine holes wins, if still tied, best score last six holes, etc.).

If fewer than 2 players register for an age division, those players may be combined with another age division at the discretion of the Head Golf Professional.

d. Handicaps: Each participant will be required to have a valid verifiable USGA (or other recognized handicap, issued by a regional or state handicap organization and following USGA guidelines). Official handicaps for the event will be determined using the player's lowest current Index and the slope rating of the course being played as outlined in the USGA Handicap Manual, Section 10-4. The

maximum allowable course handicap is 36 for each player (18 handicap for nine hole golfers aged 90+).

f. Inclement Weather: In the event that the Tournament suffers from such inclement weather, or conditions that would reasonably prohibit the completion of at least 5 contiguous holes of play by a division, winners will be determined by a Chip-off or Putt-off at the discretion of the Host Golf Professional.

g. Disqualification: Participants found violating USGA rules, tournament rules, falsifying or neglecting handicaps or otherwise engaging in conduct inconsistent with the tournament standards or spirit of fair play may be disqualified without claim or recourse of any type.

2. AMATEUR STATUS: The Bay Area Senior Games Golf Tournament is open ONLY to amateur golfers as defined by the United States Golf Association (USGA).

3. CADDIES/SPECTATORS:

- a. One caddie per golfer will be permitted. All caddies must register with the Golf Professional prior to taking the course. Caddies will be required to walk. The Bay Area Senior Games recommends the use of "forecaddies" (spotters).
- b. Spectators are permitted on the course; however, they will be required to walk and must remain at least 25 feet away from tee boxes and greens.