

July 11, 2010

To: Contestants

Re: 4<sup>th</sup> Women's Four-Ball Tournament  
Orange Hills Country Club  
Monday, July 19, 2010

Ladies:

This letter will acknowledge receipt and acceptance of your application for the 4<sup>th</sup> Women's Four-Ball Tournament.

Following are items of information concerning this tournament and are conditions of the competition:

**FORMAT:** 18-holes four-ball stroke play, gross and net. In the event of a tie for the gross championship, a hole-by-hole play-off will immediately follow the stipulated round. Other ties will be decided by match of cards in accordance with USGA recommendation in Rules of Golf, Appendix 1; Part C, para. 11 ©.

**HANDICAPS:** Handicaps will be applied at 95% per USGA guidelines for women's four-ball competitions.

**REGISTRATION:** When you arrive at the club, please check in at the reception table, located on the patio in front of the golf shop.

**AUTOMOTIVE TRANSPORTATION:** Players must use automotive transportation and the cost for transportation is included in your entry fee.

**PRIZES:** Trophies will be awarded to the winners in both divisions. There will be merchandise credit for both winners and runner-up in both the gross and net divisions.

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** These devices are permitted. See The CSGA Local Rules for limitations.

**FOOTWEAR:** It is a condition of this competition that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition:

**DISQUALIFICATION.**

**PRACTICE ROUNDS:** Available by calling the golf shop, (203) 795-4161. Greens fees for practice rounds will be at the regular Orange Hills CC rates.

**PRACTICE RANGE:** There is no practice range available at Orange Hills Country Club.

**FOOD & BEVERAGES:** A buffet luncheon will be provided for all players and officials following play. Refreshments and snacks earlier in the day will be available on a cash basis in the restaurant.

**CELLULAR PHONES:** Use of a cellular phone or similar device by a contestant or caddie during a stipulated round is strictly prohibited.

**DRESS CODE:** Contestants & caddies are required to adhere to the following guidelines:

- Shorts must be Bermuda length
- Shirts must have collars & be tucked in at all times
- Jeans are not allowed
- Hats must be worn in a traditional manner

We look forward to seeing you on July 19, 2010.

Good luck,

Ryan Hoffman  
Manager, Competitions Administration  
Official in Charge

**SEE ATTACHED FOR PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES AND DIRECTIONS**

# Connecticut State Golf Association Policies and Procedures

*adopted April 6, 2006*

*amended April 12, 2007*

*amended December 4, 2007*

The CSGA Pace of Play policy has been implemented to make contestants aware of their position on the golf course. The objective of this policy is to eliminate groups playing five-hour rounds. In no way is this policy meant to penalize players on the course. Players understanding the policy will become aware of their groups position on the course and over time begin to fix their own problems without an official putting the group on the clock.

**Time of Starting:** The CSGA directs that players should report to the starter ten minutes prior to their starting time to receive competition and course information. Rule 6-3a provides: "The player shall start at the time laid down by the Committee." The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3a is disqualification. However, it is a condition of the competition that, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty of failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole in stroke play or loss of first hole in match play instead of disqualification.

**Allotted Time:** Allotted time is the amount of time a group has to complete a measured number of holes. All CSGA scorecards will have the pace of play identified on them. The time to complete 18 holes will be approximately 4 hours & 24 minutes, but will vary for each course. The OIC for each event will be responsible for communicating to the office any need for change in the basic pace of play schedule.

## **Out of Position:**

**FIRST GROUP ONLY:** If you are behind your allotted time at any timing station.

**ALL OTHER GROUPS:** Subsequent groups will not be considered "out of position" if any previous groups has caused the field to fall behind their allotted time. Any subsequent groups must remain within 14 minutes of the group in front of them. This is measured by having the flagstick in the hole within 14 minutes of the group in front of you.

## **TIMING CARDS**

The CSGA will use one of the two following options or a combination of the two;

1 - There will be timing stations located at the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> hole of both nines and the possibility at the 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> hole. Groups will be timed at these stations and will be shown a card.

- Green card: The group is in position.
- Yellow card: The group has fallen "out of position" or is behind their allotted time and needs to catch up.
- Red card: The group has fallen "out of position" and behind their allotted time & will be subject to be put on the clock.

In lieu of a manned timing station, there may be just a clock for the players to compare their pace with the expected pace set forth on the scorecards.

2 - All CSGA officials will be given a spreadsheet with every pairing group's expected time of completion for each hole. In the event that an official notices a group out of position or behind time they will inform the roving rules official and/or OIC of that group's status. At this time the roving rules official and/or OIC will inform the group of their position and that the group needs to speed up their pace. This group is also subject to be put on the clock without having received a "red card."

## **ON THE CLOCK**

A group may be monitored or timed for compliance with this pace of play guideline if it is “out of position” and behind their allotted time. When a group is “out of position” every player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds.

The timing of a player’s stroke will begin when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he can play without interference or distraction.

Except on the putting green, if a player has reached his ball, it is his turn to play and there are no distractions, timing will begin after he has reasonable time to select his club. Time spent walking backward or forward for determining yardages will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt and remove loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

NOTE: A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke. An extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 seconds) will be allowed for:

- a) The first player to play a stroke on a par-3 hole.
- b) The first player to play a second stroke on a par-4 or par-5 hole.
- c) The first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole.
- d) The first player to play a stroke around the putting green.
- e) The first player to play a stroke on the putting green.

## **PENALTIES**

Once a group has received a red card and put on the clock, the following policy will go into effect for each player:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Bad Time - Warning from the official
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bad Time - 1 Stroke Penalty
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Bad Time - 2 Additional Strokes Penalty
- 4<sup>th</sup> Bad Time - Disqualification

Players are responsible for knowing their position on the golf course relative to their allotted time as well as the groups around them. Players should monitor and speak to individuals causing slow play. Players may ask for the group to be monitored without identifying an individual causing slow play.

## DIRECTIONS

### **I-95 Southbound**

- ▶ Exit 41 (Marsh Hill Road - Orange)
- ▶ End of ramp.. turn right
- ▶ Follow Marsh Hill Road for 1 mile
- ▶ Turn right onto Rte. 1 (Boston Post Road)
- ▶ Follow Rte. 1 for .5 mile (1 light)
- ▶ Turn left onto Rte. 114 (Racebrook Road)
- ▶ Follow Rte. 114 for .5 mile
- ▶ Entrance to Orange Hills CC is on the right

### **I-95 Northbound**

- ▶ Exit 41 (Marsh Hill Road - Orange)
- ▶ End of ramp.. turn left
- ▶ Follow Marsh Hill Road for 1 mile
- ▶ Turn right onto Rte. 1 (Boston Post Road)
- ▶ Follow Rte. 1 for .5 mile (1 light)
- ▶ Turn left onto Rte. 114 (Racebrook Road)
- ▶ Follow Rte. 114 for .5 mile
- ▶ Entrance to Orange Hills CC is on the right

### **Merritt Parkway (Rte. 15)**

- ▶ Exit 57 (Rte. 34 - Orange)
- ▶ End of ramp.. merge onto Rte. 34
- ▶ Follow Rte. 34 for 1 mile (2 lights)
- ▶ Turn right onto Rte. 114 (Racebrook Road)
- ▶ Follow Rte. 114 for 1.8 miles
- ▶ Entrance to Orange Hills CC is on the left