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# Spring Field Day

*An Individual Stroke Play Event*

## **Rules of the Competition**

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**FORMAT** - Individual Medal Play.

**DIVISIONS** – 4 divisions (assuming full field), payouts for Gross and Net in each division and 1st Overall.

**TEES** – All players will use the Blue Tees.

**OPTIONAL HONEY POTS** - Skins and Flagsticks:

**INDIVIDUAL SKINS** - \$10.00 per person

If there are no single skins, a tiebreaker will be determined by the least number of ties on the lowest handicapped hole.

**INDIVIDUAL, INSIDE FLAGSTICK** - \$5.00 per person

Any player hitting inside the flagstick on any par 3 will share the pot. Players hitting inside the flagstick must record their name and hole number(s) on the back of the scorecard.

**HANDICAPS** – Current revisions on the date of competition will be used for each competitor.

**POSTING OF SCORES** – DO NOT POST YOUR SCORES, the tournament committee will post them for you.

**TEE TIMES** – Available at the Pro Shop or online at [www.westseattlegolf.org](http://www.westseattlegolf.org) the Friday before the event.

(See Opposite Side for Local Rules)

## **Local Rules**

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**PREFERRED LIES** - If "Winter Rules" are in effect by posting at the golf course, a ball lying through the green may be lifted without penalty and cleaned. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, the player must place it on a spot within 6 inches of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay, that is not in a hazard and not on a putting green. A player may place the ball only once, and it is in play when it has been placed (Rule 20-4). If the ball fails to come to rest on the spot on which it was placed, Rule 20-3d applies. If the ball when placed comes to rest on the spot on which it is placed and it subsequently moves, there is no penalty and the ball must be played as it lies, unless the provisions of any other Rule apply. If the player fails to mark the position of the ball before lifting it or moves the ball in any other manner, such as rolling it with a club, the player incurs a penalty of one stroke.

**EMBEDDED BALL** – See Rule 25-2. The embedded ball rule is in effect through the green.

**BALL IN ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITION NOT FOUND** – See Rule 25-c. All members of the group must agree that the ball has been lost in the abnormal condition, defined by the WSGC Tournament Committee as "any casual water, excessively muddy area, ground under repair or hole, cast or runway on the course made by a burrowing animal, a reptile or a bird." Per Rule 25-c, a ball must be dropped at the nearest point of relief from where it was determined lost, no nearer the hole.

**IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS** – Flower beds, 150 yard markers, fairway yardage discs, sprinkler heads and controller boxes, portable toilets, restroom buildings, cart paths and adjacent gravel sides, french drains and tee monuments are all considered immovable obstructions.

**BALL UNPLAYABLE ON HOLE #13** – A player wishing to deem their ball unplayable when it comes to rest near the fence between the blue stakes and in bounds may use the Ball Drop Area with a penalty of one stroke.

**UNSURE HOW TO PROCEED?** – During the course of play if you are in doubt as to how to proceed under a rule, play a second ball under USGA rule 3-3 and bring it up for a ruling with the tournament committee immediately following the round (this is required). The committee's decision is final.

**DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES** - A player may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance only. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.) the player is in breach of rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions were actually used.

**PACE OF PLAY / TIME CLOCK RULE** – Your group must finish the round within 15 minutes of the group in front of you. A penalty stroke will be assessed at the 16 minute mark. Two Strokes at the 21 minute mark. **There will be no penalty if:**

1. Your group plays in 4 hours 30 minutes or less **OR**
  2. Your group is within 15 minutes of the group in front of you after holing out on #13
- AND** you play the last 5 holes in 1 hour and 20 minutes or less.

**TIES** – Ties will split money (example: Three tied for 2nd place would equally split the total money for 2nd, 3rd, and 4th places). Ties for overall 1st Gross and 1st Net **ONLY** will be decided by the USGA's recommended tie breaker, which compares scores in the following order until a winner is determined: The last 9 holes; the last 6 holes; the last 3 holes; then counting back from the 18th hole. For ties in Net results, handicap strokes will be applied for the tie-breaker.

**KNUTH SYSTEM** – The WSGC uses a modified Knuth system to help promote fairness of play and help protect the integrity of the club and its members. We reserve the right to adjust any person's handicap based on the recommendation of this system. More information can be found next to the computer or on the web site at [www.westseattlegolfclub.org](http://www.westseattlegolfclub.org) or at [www.popeofslope.com](http://www.popeofslope.com)

**Tournament Committee** (subject to change): **Posted on the website and outside the proshop**