

Frequently Asked Questions

- 1. What is the San Diego Junior Golf Association?*
The SDJGA is a founding pioneer of junior golf. Beginning operation in 1952, the SDJGA is committed to enriching the lives of youth through the great game of golf. It is the goal of the Association to provide an excellent environment on the golf course for the players to learn, grow and compete.
- 2. My son/daughter is a beginner golfer; can he/she play in SDJGA tournaments?*
The SDJGA welcomes players of all skill levels to its tournaments. Tournament pairings are generated to group players with similar scoring averages and align similar playing abilities.
- 3. How do I join the SDJGA?*
Membership registration is available online at www.sdjga.org. Complete all of the required information and you're membership application will be processed within two business days.
- 4. Where can I find the rules quiz?*
The rules quiz must be completed and passed before a player will be eligible to register for tournament play. The rules quiz can be found in your player's club account under the "Tournaments" tab. The quiz may be taken open book or with the assistance of the usga.org website.
- 5. How do I sign up for a tournament?*
Tournament registration is available online in your player's club account, after you have passed the rules quiz. Log in to your players club using your membership ID and password. Tournaments available for registration can be viewed under the "Tournaments" tab. Select the check box for any/all of the tournaments you would like to join and click the Register button.
- 6. How do I know if I'll be accepted into a tournament?*
The SDJGA does its best to accept every player into every tournament for which they apply. As the tournament registration deadline approaches, players will begin being accepted into the tournament on a first come first serve basis. Should the number of players registered exceed the number of available spots; a waiting list will be generated using a first come first serve basis as well.
- 7. I missed a registration deadline, what can I do?*
If you have missed a tournament registration deadline, your only option is to register online for the tournament waiting list. If any spots are available in your players division they will then be added to the tournament field.
- 8. What is the Callaway Golf Junior World Golf Championship and how do I qualify?*
Every July the SDJGA hosts the Callaway Golf Junior World Golf Championships at select courses in San Diego. The Jr. World is the largest international junior golf

championship in the world, with over 1000 players representing more than 45 US states and over 50 countries. SDJGA members qualify into the Jr. World field based on their total points earned in the SDJGA's Jr. World qualifying tournaments. Jr. World qualifiers are identified on the tournament schedule with a (JWQ) in the tournament title. Please see the SDJGA handbook for the number of junior world exemptions available to each division.

9. *What do I do when I show up to a tournament?*

Players are required to check in at the tournament registration table when they arrive at a tournament course. It is recommended that players check in at least 30 minutes prior to their assigned tee time. At that time a player may start their pre-tournament warm-up and should then report to the starting tee at least 10 minutes prior to their assigned start time to receive their tournament scorecard and any further instructions.

10. *What tees will I be playing?*

The tees and yardage being played by each division is posted in the notes section on the tournament information page. As a general rule, players can expect to abide by the following:

- Boys Championship - blue or back tee, approx 6500+ yards
- Girls Championship - white or middle tee, approx 6000 yards
- Boys 13-14 - white or middle tee, approx 6100 yards
- Girls 13-14 - red or forward tee, approx 5300 yards
- Boys 11-12 - Championship length course - red or forward tee, approx 5100 yards
Executive length course - back or blue tee, approx 2600 yards
- Girls 11-12 - Championship length course - red or forward tee, approx 5100 yards
Executive length course - middle or white tee, approx 2400 yards
- Boys 9-10 - Executive length course - middle or white tee, approx 2400 yards
- Girls 9-10 - Executive length course - red or forward tee, approx 2100 yards
- Boys 8-Under - Executive length course - red or forward tee, approx 1100 yards (9 holes)
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11. *Can my player rent a golf cart?*

All players in SDJGA competition are required to walk. Non motorized pull carts are permitted.

12. *Can I be a spectator at the tournaments?*

Spectators in the 9-10 and 8-U divisions are not permitted. Spectators in the 11-12, 13-14, and Championship divisions can be permitted based on the approval of the golf course. In cases that spectators are permitted the following spectator guidelines are to be followed:

The spectator of any San Diego Junior Golf Association tournament assumes all risk and danger incidental to the game of golf and releases the San Diego Junior Golf Association, their host sites, presenting sponsors, participating players, and all agents thereof from any and all liabilities resulting from such cases. With zero tolerance of these guidelines, the spectator will also agree and abide by the rules and regulations established by the Tournament Committee, and a violation of these rules and regulations can be cause for removal from the tournament.

- Golf Carts are not permitted for use of a spectator, regardless of a disability.
- All spectators must remain a minimum of 25 yards from the players.
- Please remain on the cart path or in the rough at all times.
- Spectators are never permitted in the fairway.

- Please be aware of golfers on surrounding holes, and do not hinder their play.
- All forms of communication are discouraged as it may be construed as advice and subject the player to disqualification. (Rule 8)
- Please turn off all cell phones and electric devices.
- Spectators can help look for lost balls and be a ball spotter, but cannot be involved in rulings.

13. *What is the Premium Players Club?*

The Premium Players Club is an optional addition to your SDJGA membership. Adding the PPC service allows you an in-depth look at your playing statistics. You are also able to add non-SDJGA tournament rounds to build a larger base of statistical data. The PPC is a great feature for the golfer trying to stay in tune with their game and find any areas that need improvement.

14. *How long is my membership good for?*

Your SDJGA membership is good for the calendar year of 2008.

15. *What do I get with my membership?*

Included with your SDJGA membership is entry into SDJGA tournament play, a membership card, USGA Rules of Golf 2008-2009, a tee gift and 13-17 members also receive a membership to the PING American College Golf Guide (collegegolf.com).

16. *How far in advance do I have to register for tournaments?*

Tournament registration deadlines are approximately 3 weeks prior to the tournament. If you attempt to register after the registration has passed you will be first added to a waiting list and then to the tournament field should a spot be available.

17. *How far in advance will I get my pairings and tee times?*

Tee times will be released at least 7 days prior to the tournament. In most cases tee times are published two weeks prior to each tournament.

18. *Can I get a refund if I cancel from a tournament?*

Full refunds can be received if the cancellation occurs prior to tee times being published. Once a tee time has been assigned, NO refunds will be issued.

19. *As a parent, what is my role at the tournaments?*

The SDJGA would not be able to operate without the assistance of parent volunteers at each tournament. All parents are required to participate in each of the following volunteer positions throughout the season:

- Registration Table: Check players in as they arrive and communicate with the starter with any no shows and cancellations.
- Roving Marshal: Provide parent supervision on the golf course and encourage proper pace of play.
- Scorer: Walk with the group and record each player's hole by hole score. A scorer is required for all girls 11-12, and all boys and girls 10-under divisions.

- Scoring Table: Oversee the player's signing of their scorecards. Check the total addition before posting as an official result.

20. *Will any food or beverage be provided to the players?*

On occasion a golf tournament will include a hot dog and soda, but it is recommended that each player come prepared with their own water or snacks. Staying hydrated on the course is very important.