

Play is governed by the 2019 Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A, its clarifications and interpretations, 2021 Texas Golf Association Local Rules and Terms of the Competition ('Hard Card') and where applicable, the following Local Rules. All Local Rules listed on Abilene Country Club (South Course) scorecards, notice boards or posted on the course are **not** in effect for this championship. Unless otherwise noted below, penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

1. **Format:** The tournament is scheduled for 54 holes of individual stroke play. After 36 holes, the Championship, Senior and Super Senior Division will be cut to the low 72 players (and ties), with a pro-rated representation from each division. The pro-rated representation will be as followed: Championship, top 42 and ties, Senior, top 21 and ties, Super Senior, top 9 and ties.
2. **Tees:** The Championship Division will play from the TGA White Rectangular tee markers. The Senior Division will play from the TGA Red Rectangular tee markers. The Super Senior Division will play from the Gold Abilene CC tee markers.
3. **Automotive Transportation:** Players are encouraged to ride during all rounds of the West Texas Amateur. Carts are limited to two (2) riders at a time and two (2) carts per group.
4. **Caddies:** Caddies are allowed during the Tournament Rounds. The "One-Seat" Policy is in effect for the championship.
5. **Scoring/Playoffs:** Scores must be attested and verified immediately after completing the round to the designated TGA scoring area, which is located in front of the Scoreboard adjacent to the driving range. There will be a hole-by-hole sudden death playoff for the champion in each division.
6. **Out of Bounds:** In addition to the items listed on the 2021 Texas Golf Association Hard Card, Out of Bounds is defined by:
 - The inside edge/curbing (golf course side) of paved roadways and parking lots;
 - White posts, stakes and lines.
 - Property Fence; When a property fence lies on top of an obstruction, that obstruction defines Out of Bounds

Note: A ball that crosses a roadway defined as a boundary and comes to rest beyond that boundary is deemed to be out of bounds even if that ball may lie on another part of the course.
7. **Practice Areas:** The practice chipping green left of the 10th tee and between the 14th and 15th holes as well as the practice putting green behind #18 green are to be played as a WRONG GREEN where relief is MANDATORY under Rule 13.1f.
8. **Turf Nursery:** The turf nursery adjacent to the 6th green and to the right of the 12th green/13th tee is deemed to be a No Play Zone from which play is prohibited. Relief must be taken under Rule 16.
9. **Abnormal Course Condition:** The following areas are treated to be Abnormal Course Conditions from which relief is available under Rule 16.1.
 - Flower Beds and ornamental plantings
 - All areas encircled in white paint
 - Areas of damage caused by a non-burrowing animal
10. **Immovable Obstructions: Include**, but are not limited to artificially surfaced paths, decorative stones (curbing) adjacent to cart paths, and restrooms. **Immovable obstructions adjacent to, within or abutting each other**, such as artificially surfaced paths, curbing, drains, drainage cut out runoffs adjacent to cart paths, permanent structures, etc., are considered a single obstruction.
11. **Doubt as to Procedure:** If a competitor is in doubt as to a procedure under the rules and a referee is not proximately available, to avoid delay he may play a second ball under Rule 20.1c(3). He **must** report the facts to the Committee before returning his scorecard, otherwise he is subject to **disqualification**.
12. **Pace of Play:** The established Pace of Play for Abilene Country Club (South Course) is 4:26 hours for 18 holes.