

VIRGINIA INTRAMURAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Birdwood Golf Course

Notice to Competitors

18 hole **stroke play** competition. Play is governed by the USGA Rules of Golf unless otherwise noted. The individual with the lowest score in each flight will receive an Intramural Champion t-shirt.

If there is a question related to how a player should proceed, they should complete the hole playing two separate balls, record the score for each, and resolve the issue following play with the golf professional on duty. (Rule 3-3)

For the purpose of preventing slow play, all competitors must complete their stroke within 40 seconds of reaching their ball. The expected pace of play is 4 hours and 30 minutes.

Men in the **championship flight** will play from the **BLUE tee markers**.

Men in the **first flight** will play from the **WHITE tee markers**.

All players must “hole out” on each hole. There are no “gimmees.”

In the championship flight there is no maximum score per hole. In the men’s first flight no player may record a score higher than double par (6 on a par 3, 8 on a par 4, and 10 on a par 5). If a player reaches the maximum on a given hole they should pick up their ball and proceed to the next tee.

Ties will be settled using a scorecard match starting with the 18th hole and working backwards.

Suspension of Play for a dangerous situation shall be signaled by one prolonged horn blast. During suspension for a dangerous situation all play must stop immediately. Practice is prohibited during suspension of play. Play shall not resume until the committee signals resumption with two short horn blasts.

Practice on the course during tournament play is prohibited.

Artificial Devices- players **are allowed** to use devices that measure or gauge distance only.

Out of Bounds defined by inside edge of white stakes. **Note:** The new UVA practice area to the right of #1, #2, and #3 is marked out of bounds. Property net/ fence to the left of #3, #4, #5 & #7, behind #16 green, and to the right of #17 green also define OB unless white stakes are present. A ball, which rests on or crosses the main entrance road to the right of #4 & #5, is out of bounds. The Driving Range to the right of #9 is marked with white stakes and is OB.

Lateral Water Hazards- Defined by red lines, and/or stakes. On holes #2, #5, & #7 the lateral hazards left of the fairway extend to infinity. On holes #12 & #15, the lateral hazards to the right extend to infinity.

Water hazards- Defined by yellow lines, and/or stakes.

Alternative Water Hazard Drop Areas- On holes #4, #12, & #14, alternate drop areas are located on the most forward tee box.

Hole #12 - the hedges which surround the stairs are considered “ground under repair.” A player whose ball comes to rest in the area including and surrounded by the hedges should drop their ball without penalty in front of the hedges near the creek as a drop area.

Hole # 16 – Flowerbed, path, building to the left of fairway to be played as one continuous obstruction

Cart Paths- Areas within 12 inches of cart paths, which are worn due to cart traffic and/or erosion to be played as a continuation of the obstruction.

Relief for Embedded Ball- “through the green” a ball which is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground may be lifted, cleaned, and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer to hole. (Hazards excluded)

Note: For safety purposes, rocks, which could be struck while playing a shot from a bunker, may be removed.

NOTE: Cell phones must be turned off at all times during competition. However, you may use your cell phone in an emergency or to contact the golf shop for assistance with a rules question: 434-293-4653. The professional on duty is Craig Volentine, PGA.

Please check in at the Birdwood pro shop. Tournament greens fees are \$24 with student ID (discounted from the regular student weekend rate).

Cart fees: \$11 for 9 holes, \$20 for 18 holes (per person)

Driving range: \$6 for 45 balls, \$12 for 105 balls