

OKIE SCRAMBLE COUPLE'S TOURNAMENT RULES

- 1. Tees:** Ladies default tee box is **GOLD**. Men's default tee box is (Open Flights – **BLUE**, Senior Flights - **WHITE**). A few exceptions will be made based on age and are listed below:
 - Any female who is 65 years of age or older at tournament time plays from the **PURPLE** tees.
 - Any male in any flight who is 55 years of age or older at tournament time plays from the **WHITE** tees.
 - Any male who is 65 years of age or older at tournament time plays from the **GREEN** tees.
 - Any male who is 75 years of age or older at tournament time plays from the **GOLD** tees.*Opening handicaps will be adjusted for NEW team playing forward tees, per USGA rules of handicapping.*
- 2. Ball Lie:** Improve lie one club-length, no closer to the hole, except on the putting surface.
 - Changing of grass (rough to fairway or fairway to green) is not permitted
 - Building a tee, anywhere other than the tee box, with your club, hand, or heel is not permitted*Remember, any rule violation will result in disqualification for that day and the overall.*
- 3. Putts: Hole all putts.** Failure to hole out will mean disqualification for that day and the overall
 - The first ball in the hole constitutes the team score. So, don't tap in a putt until your partner has attempted theirs.
- 4. Sand Traps and Hazards:** A ball in a sand trap or hazard must be played first (as it lies) by the team member who hit it there. Their partner may then rake the trap and place their ball within one club length from where their partner just hit, no closer to the hole, but still in the trap or hazard
- 5. Hitting from the Desert:** Desert is played as a lateral hazard. Use the grass line as the margin of the hazard. Loose impediments may be removed in the desert. Do not drive carts into the desert.
- 6. Wrong Ball:** In the unlikely event that a team plays the wrong ball, a one-stroke penalty is incurred (instead of the traditional 2 strokes). They must then find the correct ball and continue from there.
- 7. Out-of-bounds:** Defined by bordering fences on the course and local rules on the scorecard
 - For simplicity's sake, the penalty for out-of-bounds has one option; one-shot penalty (stroke and distance) and either re-tee or re-hit from the original spot.
- 8. Golf Attire:** Collared shirt, golf slacks or golf shorts, and shoes with non-metal spikes. **No denim.**
- 9. Scorecards:** Exchange scorecard with your playing competitors at start of the round. Scorecards must be signed by **both** team captains and turned into the Santa Ana scorer.
 - It is each team's responsibility to ensure their scorecard is signed, accurate, and turned into Santa Ana scorer or the Santa Ana pro shop immediately after play.
 - Any team who violates this rule will be disqualified for that day and the overall.
 - If you keep your score on the same card as your competitor, make sure to mark through your score, leaving only the competitor's score visible on the card.

Should a dispute arise, play a provisional ball. The committee will rule afterwards.

Reminder: Handicaps will be adjusted (up and down) after each round by the committee. Please be assured that each team will be treated fairly. Our objective remains the same. We want every team to have an equal chance to cash.

We take pride that our tournaments are as fair as any tournament anywhere. Therefore, sandbagging or cheating WILL NOT be tolerated. Any team guilty of either will not be paid nor welcomed back.

HANDICAP/RULES COMMITTEE: DON MASTERS, MIKE PHILBECK, & KEITH BICKLE