UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION AMATEUR STATUS WAIVER OF PRIZE MONEY FORM

The Rules of Amateur Status of the United States Golf Association (USGA) define an Amateur Golfer as "One who plays golf for the challenge it presents, not as a profession and not for financial gain."

Rule 3 (Prizes) of the Rules of Amateur Status prohibits an amateur golfer from "playing for prize money." Those who choose to do so forfeit his/her amateur status.

The Rules of Amateur Status also provide that "an amateur golfer may participate in a golf match, competition or exhibition where prize money or its equivalent is offered, provided that prior to participation he/she waives his/her right to accept prize money in that event."

The USGA makes available this waiver form to assist those who wish to protect their amateur status by waiving their right to accept prize money in advance of a competition. Amateur golfers who wish to do so should sign this sheet and submit it to the USGA, no later than the first day of the competition in which they wish to play. He/She also understands that by signing this waiver form, he/she agrees, as a condition of entry, not to accept any prize money or its equivalent from any competition sponsor or organizer.

Further, any player who has previously forfeited his/her amateur status, but wishes to be considered for reinstatement, may also sign and submit this waiver form to the USGA. His/Her signature will be accepted as an indication that he/she did not violate the Rules by playing in the referenced competition for prize money or its equivalent. Players who wish to apply for reinstatement may obtain the necessary information and application forms at:<u>http://www.usga.org/rules/amateur_status/reinstatement/Apply-for-Reinstatement-to-Amateur-Status/</u>.

Therefore, on the basis of the above interpretation and understanding, the undersigned declares that he/she shall not and will not accept prize money in the following competition:

(Name of Competition)

He/She further expresses a desire to retain his/her amateur status.

It is also understood that this waiver form must be returned to the USGA prior to the start of the referenced competition and will not be accepted after the competition has commenced.

Name of Participant (Please Print)

Signature of Participant

Telephone and Email

Date

Additional information about the Rules of Amateur Status may be obtained from a current copy of the *Rules of Golf Booklet* or at the USGA's web site at: http://www.usga.org/rules/amateur_status/Amateur-Status/.

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