

Arroyo Del Oso Golf Association

Club Championship – August 2 and 3, 2025

TOURNAMENT FORMAT– Individual Stroke Play

TEE BOXES – Championship Flight (1st Flight) will play from the **Blue Tees**; all others will play from the **White Tees**, unless you requested playing from the **Gold Tees**. If you play from the Gold Tees, your handicap will be reduced accordingly.

HANDICAP INFORMATION - Current revisions on the date of competition for each competitor. Handicaps used for this tournament will be derived on July 31, 2025.

POSTING OF SCORES - Tournament scores will be posted by the association.

SKINS – Gross skins pools will be by flight and your entry fee covers the cost each day.

CLOSEST TO THE PIN – IT WILL BE OPEN COMPETITION FOR ALL 4 PAR THREES EACH DAY.

COMPETITION RULES

PLAY THE BALL AS IT LIES – NO LIFT, CLEAN, AND PLACE FOR THIS TOURNAMENT

All tournament play is to be by USGA rules except where they are governed by local rules.

Record **GROSS SCORES ONLY** on the scorecard.

If you are unsure as to how to proceed under a rule, play a second ball under USGA rule 20.1, make sure to declare which ball you wish to score with if the rules allow, and bring it up for a ruling with the tournament committee immediately following the round (this is required). The committee's decision is final.

Model Local Rule E-5 Alternative to Stroke and Distance for lost ball or ball out of bounds is in effect. Please see <https://arroyodelosogolf.com/policies> for a pdf explanation. The pdf can be found at the bottom of said page and listed as "Alternative to S&D Model Local Rule." Remember this is a 2 stroke penalty when evoked.

LOCAL RULES

Relief from Embedded Ball– Through the green, a ball that is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground, other than sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned, and dropped as near as possible to where it lay but not nearer the hole.

Distance Measuring Devices– Rule 4.3a allows the use of distance-measuring devices so long as the player does not access any information that is prohibited under this Rule such as elevation, wind-speed, club selection, etc. The first breach of this Rule means the player gets a loss of hole penalty in match play or a two-stroke penalty in stroke play, a second breach of rule 4.3 during the same round results in disqualification.
https://www.usga.org/content/dam/usga/pdf/2019/rules/2019_UPDATE_USGA_DMD_FINAL.pdf

Stones in Bunkers– For safety reasons dime sized or larger stones in bunkers are deemed to be movable obstructions (Rule 24-1 applies).

Out of Bounds - Out of bounds is defined by the inside edge of the specified pole or stake at ground level.

Whole Course: chain-link course boundary fence poles or block walls.

Hole #9- wooden fence behind hole separating cart return area.

Hole #10- White stakes down the right side & fence surrounding maintenance building.

Hole #14- White stakes down the left side.

Changes to Out of Bounds Specified Areas - Holes #17 & #18- White stakes down the right side will be played as RED stakes (lateral water hazard)

Ground Under Repair - Defined by connected white lines such as painted circles in fairways. Also, all French drains which are exposed trenches filled with stones. Players may take relief in accordance to Rule 25-1b

Arroyos - The concrete arroyo to the right of #11 and short of the #12 green is played as a lateral water hazard. The arroyo on #8 is played as ground under repair.

Exceptional Score Policy - In accordance with association policy.

Tie Breaking Procedures - In accordance with association policy.

Pace of Play Score Card Turn in Guidelines are in Effect- Turn in your scorecard no later than 20 minutes behind the group in front of you. Use the time and date stamp machine to mark all scorecards at the scores table located in café immediately after completing your round.

Example: players on hole 18 turn in scorecard at 1:02 PM. Group on 17 must turn in scorecards by 1:22 pm. No foul. Players on hole 16 turn in scorecards at 1:43. Penalty.

Penalties are as follows:

20-24 minutes behind, 1 stroke added to score.

25-29 minutes behind, 2 strokes added to score

30-35 minutes behind, 3 strokes added to score

36+ minutes behind, DQ

If it is a team tournament same rules, penalty added to team score.

**ROUNDS IN 4 ½
HOURS OR LESS!**

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