



2019 Topstone Club Championship

Topstone Golf Course, South Windsor, CT
Sunday September 8th - Sunday September 15th

General Information:

The Rules of Golf as adopted by the United States Golf Association govern play, except where Local Rules apply. A Local Rule sheet will supplement this document.

Rule 5-3a: Time of Starting: The player must start at the time established by the Committee.

- *Penalty for Breach of Rule:* If the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole. Otherwise, the penalty for breach of this Rule is disqualification.

Rule 20.1c: Rules Issues In Stroke Play Playing Two Balls If you are uncertain about the right procedure while playing a hole, you may complete the hole with two balls without penalty:

- You must decide to play two balls after the uncertain situation arises and before *making a stroke*.
- You should choose which ball will count if the Rules allow the procedure used for that ball, by announcing that choice to your marker or to another player before *making a stroke*.
- If you do not choose in time, the ball played first is treated as the ball chosen by default.
- You must report the facts of the situation to the *Committee* before returning your *scorecard*, even if you score the same with both balls. You are disqualified if you fail to do so.

Rule 9.1: Ball Played As It Lies: You must play your ball at rest on the *course* as it lies, **except** when the Rules require or allow you:

- To play a ball from another place on the course, or
- To lift a ball and then replace it on its original spot.

Eligibility:

Championship is open to Full and Mid-Season members of the Topstone Men's Golf Club who have played at least five club events in 2019.

Format:

54 holes of stroke play. There will be a cut in each flight after 18 holes. The low 54-hole score in each flight will be the champion. In the event of a tie, a hole-by-hole sudden death playoff will occur.

Projected Cut by Flight:

Cut lines are based on actual participation the day of the tournament. For flights with less than (10) participants, the Tournament Committee reserves the right to waive the cut for that flight in order to maintain a competitive event. For flights with adequate participation, the cut line is the top half of the field and ties, or within 8 strokes of the lead (whatever is the better for the field).

- Example: B Flight has 20 players - If player is 20th place, but trailing by only 7 strokes, player makes the cut. If player is 25 strokes behind, but is in 9th place, player makes the cut.

Championship Flight: Cut waived based on participation

A Flight: Cut waived based on participation

B Flight: Cut line – 87 (within 8 strokes of 79)

C Flight: Cut line – 92 (Low 6 and ties)

D Flight: Cut line – 93 (within 8 strokes of 85)

E Flight: Cut line – net 76 (within 8 strokes of net 68)

Schedule of Events:

Sunday, September 8th, 2019 – 18 holes (all competitors)

Saturday, September 14th, 2019 – 18 holes (only competitors who make the first round cut)

Sunday, September 15th, 2019 – 18 holes (only competitors who make the first round cut)

Flights:

Championship (0-5)

A Flight (6-9)

B Flight (10-13)

C Flight (14-17)

D Flight (18-21)

E Flight (22+) – Net Only

Grouping & Starting Times:

Starting times are posted on the tee time page at www.topstonegc.com/mensclub. 1st round tee times were chosen by the field. 2nd & 3rd round tee times will be by flight & score and will be completed by the pro shop and posted to the website.

Scoring:

1st Round: Each group will receive one scorecard (as per normal men's club round)

2nd & 3rd Rounds: Each player will receive an individual scorecard which will be exchanged with another player in the group.

Both the marker and player must sign the scorecard after checking scores at the completion the round. Please turn in scorecards at the scoring area on the front desk of the pro shop.

Course Setup:

Championship Flight

- Par: 72
- Tees: Blue
- Yardage: 6,546
- Time Par: 4:20

A through E Flight

- Par: 72
- Tees: White
- Yardage: 6,113
- Time Par: 4:20

Caddies & Transportation:

A player may carry his own bag, take a cart, or employ a caddie. Non-motorized pushcarts are also permitted.

Distance Measuring Devices:

Players are allowed to use devices that measure distance only under Rule 4.3 . However, you may not use features that gauge or measure other conditions that might affect a player's play (e.g. wind, gradient, temperature, etc.). Penalty for first breach from single act: Two Shot Penalty, Penalty for second breach: **Disqualification**.

Course Markings:

- Ground Under Repair is marked by white spray paint around designated areas. Free drop at nearest point of relief, no closer to the hole
- Out of Bounds is defined by White Stakes, Public Roads, Parking Lots or Railroad Tracks
- Penalty Areas are defined by red and yellow stakes