



79th VSGA Women's State Team Matches
Hermitage Country Club (Manakin)
August 5-7, 2025

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This information supplements the Championship entry and the Standard Local Rules and Terms of Competition for 2025 USGA Championships)

TEE MARKERS: All play will be from the GREEN VSGA tee markers.

FORMAT: Each club will enter three two-person sides. Each side will play an 18-hole qualifying round in a four-ball stroke play format. The twelve teams with the lowest team handicaps will attempt to qualify for the Championship Flight. Of those twelve, the clubs with the four lowest aggregate scores will be placed in the Championship Flight and seeded by qualifying score. All other teams will be flighted by team handicap and seeded by qualifying score.

PLAYOFF/TIES: If there is a tie for the last spot into the Championship Flight, the tie will be settled by the aggregate of the two lowest four-ball qualifying scores on each team, and if a tie still exists, by the lowest four-ball qualifying score on the team. If there is still a tie, flight placement will be settled using a random method. Ties for seeding will be settled using a random method.

OUT OF BOUNDS: In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes, PVC pipes, and fence posts, out of bounds is also defined by the course-side edge of all public roads. A ball which comes to rest on or across a public road defined as out of bounds is out of bounds even though it may lie on another part of the course. Fences adjacent to public roads do not define out of bounds.

DROPPING ZONE - Hole #16: If a ball is in the yellow penalty area, including when it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found came to rest in the penalty area, the player has these relief options, each for one penalty stroke:

- proceed under Rule 17.1d; or
- as an extra option, drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, in the dropping zone (located on the most forward tee; approximately 65 yards).

FADED LINES: All penalty area lines are freshly painted. Please disregard any old or faded lines.

OBSTRUCTIONS:

- Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green: MLR F-5.2 is in effect. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an Immovable Obstruction is on the line of play and is within two club-lengths of the Putting Green and within two club-lengths of the ball. **Relief under this Local Rule is only allowed when both the ball and the Immovable Obstruction lie in an area cut to fairway height or less.**
- Immovable Obstructions within or adjacent to each other, including but not limited to sprinkler heads near putting greens, are considered to be a single obstruction. Consult a referee with questions.
- Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect for greenside fans and starting/scoring tents. Relief procedure may be taken on either side of the TIO.

SCORING: The digital scorecard used via the Golf Genius app is the unofficial scorecard. The official scorecard is the paper scorecard which needs to be verified in the scoring area (located at the VSGA tent).

RULES QUESTIONS: If you have any questions, please call Amanda Braun at 804-928-7926.

VSGA LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF THE COMPETITION: To access the VSGA Local Rules and Terms of the Competition, please scan the QR code below.



