



79th VSGA Senior Amateur Championship
River Bend Club
August 17-21, 2026

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This information supplements the Championship entry and the Standard Local Rules and Terms of Competition for 2026 VSGA Championships)

TEE MARKERS/FORMAT: All play will be from the RED VSGA tee markers. 36-hole stroke play qualifying. The low 32 qualifiers advance to match play.

TIES/PLAYOFF: A sudden death playoff will be held if there is a tie for the final match play spot (playoff holes to be announced). Ties for match play seeding will be settled by a blind draw except that places of those participating in the playoff to determine the final spot(s) in the match play field will be determined by performance in the playoff.

OUT OF BOUNDS: Out of bounds is defined by the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts.

DROPPING ZONES: Hole #3 & #9: If a ball is in or it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found is in the penalty area, the player may:

- i. proceed under Rule 17.1d; or
- ii. as an additional option, drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke in the closely mown area of the 100-yard tee box on hole #3 and the white painted circle at the end of the fairway on hole #9. Each dropping zone will be marked with a VSGA drop zone sign.

TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect. Any air-circulation fans and tents on the course are temporary immovable obstructions. Relief procedure may be taken on either side of the TIO.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS IN PENALTY AREAS: Model Local Rule F-24 is in effect. Relief from interference by sprinkler heads and utility boxes within one club-length of the edge of the penalty area is allowed under Rule 16.1b, but only when the ball touches or lies on the obstruction or the obstructions interfere with the area of intended swing.

- Additionally, relief is available for light fixtures located inside the penalty area, even if the light fixture is more than one club-length from the edge of the penalty area.

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).

PACE OF PLAY: Please refer to the championship website for the complete pace of play policy.

CADDIES/TRANSPORTATION: Players may have a caddie and caddies may ride in carts only if there is a seat available. Spectators (outside influences) may ride in carts if there is a seat available. No one may ride on the back of a cart.

RULES QUESTIONS: If you have any questions, please call Caleb McCall at 770-653-9220.

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.



