



61st VSGA Four-Ball Championship
Chatmoss Country Club
May 22-23, 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: All play will be from the **VSGA Red** tee markers.

Format/Scoring: 36-hole four-ball stroke play. The score to count **must be** clearly identified as the score of the individual partner who made that score on the official scorecard. If this is not done, the side is disqualified.

Playoff/Ties: A sudden death playoff will be held if there is a tie for the Champion. The holes to be used will be announced prior to the completion of play. Ties for all other prizes will be broken using the USGA scorecard playoff method (Holes 10-18, Holes 13-18, Holes 16-18, Hole 18, random method).

Out of Bounds: In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes, out of bounds is also defined by the course side edge of all public roads and the club parking lot. 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. Exception: Hole #9: the road crossing in front of the teeing area between white dots does not define out of bounds

Preferred Lies: When a player's ball lies in a part of the general area cut to fairway height or less on the hole being played, the player may take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball and playing it from this relief area:

- Reference Point: Spot of the original ball.
- Size of Relief Area Measured from Reference Point: One VSGA Scorecard length, must not be nearer the hole than the reference point and must be in the general area.

Obstructions: The sunken ground around drains and sprinkler heads are considered part of the obstruction.

Abnormal Course Conditions – Ground Under Repair: On the putting green of Holes #5 and #18, rectangular areas of new sod are considered ground under repair. Free relief is allowed under Rule 16.1d.

Practice Areas: All practice putting and chipping greens (e.g. near hole #9) are wrong greens and players must take free relief under Rule 13.1f.

Caddies/Transportation: Players may have a caddie and caddies may ride in carts only if there is a seat available. Spectators (outside influence) may ride in carts if there is a seat available.

Pace of Play: Please refer to the VSGA Standard Local Rules and VSGA.org for the complete pace of play policy.

Rules Questions: If you have any questions, please call Amanda Braun (804) 928-7926 or Josh Coates at (804) 304-9132.

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.



