



2025 VHSL Class 6 Championship
Bristow Manor Golf Club
October 15

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(Play will be in accordance with USGA Rules, the VSGA Standard Local Rules, the VHSL Handbook (Section 70) and the following Local Rules. Penalty for breach of a local rule is the general penalty, unless otherwise noted)

Tee Markers: Boys will play from the **Black** tee markers. Girls will play from the **White** tee markers.

Format: 18-hole stroke play. Each team total is determined by using the low four (4) of six (6) scores on each team.

Transportation: Players must walk at all times once the round has started and until the round is over.

Out of Bounds: In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes, barbed wire fencing, and fence posts, out of bounds is also defined by the course-side edge of the parking lot and 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.

Ground Under Repair: The grass bunker on the right side of hole #9 is deemed as Ground Under Repair. Free relief from this area is mandatory.

Dropping Zone: *Hole #8* - If, during play of hole #8, a ball is in or it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found lies in the penalty area, the player may:

- Proceed under Rule 17.1d or
- as an additional option, drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke, in the dropping zone (anywhere on the most forward tee).

Advice: In accordance with Local Rule H-2, each team may appoint only one (1) person, either its head or assistant coach, as identified to the tournament director before the start of the competition, to give advice or ask for advice from members of that team. The designated coach may not be given advice or ask for advice from another team's players, coaches, or from any other representative of his/her own team. Advice may be given anytime on the course except on the green, where coaches will not be permitted. Swing demonstration and shot alignment will also be prohibited by the coach. Coaches whose players fall out of position when competing in an event in which the VSGA Pace of Play system is in effect will only be allowed to give advice from green to tee, and only when all balls of all players in the group are no longer in play. Once players are back in position, coaches will regain their full advice privileges. Advice is to be given in a private manner that does not unduly delay play. The penalty for breach of conditions by a player is a two-stroke penalty, by a coach is two-strokes added to his/her team's score.

Pace of Play: Players are expected to play in accordance with the Pace of Play guidelines below. The first group is "out of position" if they are behind the indicated times. All other groups are "out of position" if they are behind the indicated times and reach the tee of a par 3 hole that is open and free of play or reach a par 4 or par 5 and any player has not made a stroke from the teeing ground before the hole is open and free of play.

Note: A group that is clearly playing at a pace that is slower than other groups in the field may be deemed by the Committee to be deemed "out of position" even if it is within the allotted time.

Pace of Play Penalties - Each player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds after timing of the stroke begins. A bad time will result in a warning to that player. A second bad time will result in a one-stroke penalty. A third bad time will result in a two-stroke penalty. A fourth bad time carries a disqualification penalty. During a round all bad times will be carried over to subsequent timing periods.

Scorecards/Scoring Area: The official scorecard is the paper scorecard, which needs to be verified in the scoring area (the pro shop).

Rules Questions: Final decisions on any disputed points will be made by the Rules Committee, which includes the following members: Caleb McCall (770-653-9220), Jim Graham, Walter Burkhardt, Bruce Nordstrom, Rob Silver, Ed Cochrane, and Bert Wilson.