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CLUB CHAMPIONS

We want to celebrate club champions. As we did last year, we are posting names on our websites to recognize outstanding play. We have over 100 names so far! So, send us the details at cga@coloradogolf.org.

2019 Club Information Forms

It is that time of year again when we ask for your help in collecting the names of your officers and committee chairs so that we can continue to communicate with you. This is becoming even more important as we want to make sure that you have all the up-to-date information on the 2019 rules and handicap seminars, and other programs that are geared specifically to you, the CGA clubs. We respect your privacy - the names and contact information we collect are not shared with anyone.

There is a link on coloradogolf.org under the Members tab, and on the home page of coloradowomensgolf.org to an online form. Thank you in advance for filling out the form.

2019 RULES

Many of you are asking for information on how and where to purchase the new 2019 rules books. We will advertise their availability as soon as we know. In the meantime, both the CGA and USGAs websites, under the Rules tab, have links to many resources including:

- ✓ the entire 2019 rules book in PDF format
- ✓ explanations for all the 2019 major rule changes
- ✓ a summary of 2018 versus 2019 rules changes
- ✓ the key changes for the 2019 Rules of Golf USGA infographic
- ✓ the evolution of the key changes for the 2019 rules
- ✓ the new local rule that may be used in place of a stroke and distance penalty
- ✓ videos highlighting major new rules

We will be scheduling seminars around the state. Look for the schedule on the CGA website.





2018 - 2109 KEY DATES

TBD 2018	CGA Players of the Year announced
Nov 14, 2018	Last day to post scores for golf played in Colorado (scores played in states that have year-round or longer seasons can still be posted)
January 1, 2019	New Rules of Golf go into effect
Feb 8 - 10	Golf Expo / 2019 rules seminars @ Denver Mart
March 9	Women's Annual meeting @ Pinehurst CC
March 15	Start of 2019 Colorado golf season
April 30	Deactivation deadline prior to May invoices

USGA 2019 Rules Preview

Ball in Motion Accidentally Deflected

Currently, if a player's ball in motion is accidentally deflected, the outcome depends on what caused the ball to deflect. For example, if the ball hits the player or his or her equipment, the player gets a one-stroke penalty and the ball is played as it lies.

Next year, for all accidental deflections, including when the ball hits the player or opponent or their equipment, there will be NO penalty and the ball will be played as it lies.

WHY? Accidental deflections are, by definition, an accident. Treating all accidental deflections the same no matter who or what caused them, will greatly simplify the Rules in various situations, such as when a player's ball is deflected by equipment (golf cart) shared with another player; it will no longer be necessary to apply analysis to decide which player the shared equipment belonged to at the time.

MORE EXPLANATIONS FOR 2019 RULES CHANGES CAN BE FOUND ONLINE IN THE DOCUMENT TITLED "Explanation for Each Major Change in the New Rules of Golf for 2019"



Don't miss out on opportunities for CGA members. Visit the Member Zone at www.coloradogolf.org

Where Your Dues Go

The CGA is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit. All dues support CGA programs and operations including youth development programs, junior golf events, men's and women's tournaments, golf clinics, club and facility support for USGA systems, golf education, course rating and handicap administration.

