

16th NEBRASKA SENIOR MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

Platteview Golf Club, Bellevue • September 28-30, 2026

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This information supplements the Championship Entry & The Local Rules and Terms of the Competition for 2026 NebGolf Championships)

1. **Abnormal Course Conditions**, including Ground Under Repair, include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Decorative Flower Beds.
2. **Championship Related Signs**:
 - a. Signs that are fixed in the ground or on drive stakes are TIOs. Examples of these are tee signs, sponsor signs, informational signs, and when these are readily movable, they may be moved. If there is a drive stake, it remains a TIO.
3. **Immovable Obstructions**:
 - a. Include but are not limited to:
 - i. All artificially surfaced roads and paths, including any adjacent curbing.
 - b. Immovable obstructions adjacent to, within or abutting each other, such as artificially surfaced paths (including decorative areas enclosed by these paths), curbing, walls, steps and drains, are considered a single obstruction.
4. **Movable Obstructions**, include, but are not limited to:
 - a. Staking and roping; trash cans; benches; and beverage coolers.
5. **Out of Bounds**:
 - a. In addition to white stakes and perimeter fence posts, out of bounds is defined by white lines and dots.
 - b. Where white stakes are attached to fence posts, the perimeter fence post defines the boundary.
 - c. On holes where a white painted line on the ground exists in addition to white stakes, the boundary is defined by the white line, the boundary edge is the course edge of the line, and the line itself is out of bounds.
6. **Penalty Areas**:
 - a. **Dropping Zones** - If a ball is in the following penalty areas, 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 17.1; or as an additional option, drop the original ball or another ball in the dropping zone (marked "DZ") in the location below. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
 - i. Hole #8 – Yellow or Red Penalty Areas – DZ located short left of the putting green.
 - ii. Hole #11 – Yellow Penalty Area - DZ located in the fairway.
 - iii. Hole #13 – Red Penalty Areas – DZ located on the forward tee.
 - b. **Provisional Ball for a Ball in the Red Penalty Area on Hole #13** - Model Local Rule B-3 is in effect. If a player does not know whether his ball is in the red penalty area on hole #13, the player may play a provisional ball under Rule 18.3, which is modified in this way: In playing the provisional ball, the player may use the stroke-and-distance relief option (see Rule 17.1d(1)), the back-on-the-line relief option (see Rule 17.1d(2)), the lateral relief option (see Rule 17.1d(3)) or the dropping zone option (see Item 13 a.(iii) above). Once the player has played a provisional ball under this Rule, he may not use any further options under Rule 17.1 in relation to the original ball. In deciding when that provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play or if it must or may be abandoned, Rule 18.3c(2) and 18.3c(3) apply except that: When original ball is found in the penalty area within three-minute search time. The player may choose either to: continue to play the original ball as it lies in the penalty area, in which case the provisional ball must not be played or continue to play the provisional ball in which case the original ball must not be played. When the original ball is not found within the three-minute search time and it is known or virtually certain to be in penalty area. The provisional ball becomes the player's ball in play.
 - c. **Yellow Penalty Area Behind Putting Green on Hole #13** - The yellow penalty area on Hole #14 is to be treated as a red penalty area during play of hole #13.
7. **Power Lines**: Model Local Rule E-11 is in effect. If it is known or virtually certain that a player's ball hit a power line, the stroke does not count. The player must play a ball without penalty from where the previous stroke was made (see Rule 14.6 for what to do).
8. **Unplayable Ball Left of the Putting Green on Hole #8**: Dropping Zone: If a ball is unplayable in the area between the blue stakes left of the putting green on Hole 8, the player may proceed (i) under Rule 19.2 or (ii) as an extra option, drop a ball, under penalty of one stroke in the dropping zone located short left of the putting green. The dropping zone is a relief area under Rule 14.3.
9. **Teeing Area**: White NebGolf tee markers define the teeing area for the competition.
10. **Scoring Area**: A score card is returned when it has been given to the scoring official and the player has left the scoring tent area.
11. **Play-Off to Determine Match Play Field**: In the event of a tie for the last spot(s) in match play brackets after 18-holes of stroke play, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off following completion of the round on Monday. The play-off will begin on hole #1, unless otherwise notified by the Committee.
12. **Match Tied after 18-Holes**: The match is extended one hole at a time in the same order as in the round until a winner is determined, unless otherwise stated by the Committee.
13. **Final Decisions on Any Disputed Points**: Made by Craig Ames, Juliana Botero & Warren Whitted.

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