

TECHNICAL MANUAL





2019 East Region GOLF Competition

Sunday, July 28th

Esmeralda Golf Course – Spokane

We welcome the following teams to our 2019 EAST REGION GOLF COMPETITION:

Wenatchee Drivers		
Spokane Trailhead Terrors		
Tri Cities Cougars		
Stevens County Footwedge		
Twin River Strokers		
West Plains		
Yakima Stingers		

GENERAL SCHEDULE

2:00 pm – 2:45 pm	Team Registration and Warm up	Esmeralda Golf Course
2:30pm – 2:45pm	Coaches Meeting	Esmeralda – Command Center
3:00 pm 6:00 pm	GOLF – Team Play	Esmeralda Golf Course
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm	GOLF - Individual Skills	Esmeralda – Designated area
4:30 pm – 6:30 pm	Award Presentations	Esmeralda – outside clubhouse

COMMAND CENTER

Here is what you will find at **COMMAND CENTER**:

Team check in (pick up packets) / Coaches Meeting / Results processed / Lost and Found / Merchandise table / Volunteer check in / General Information / Medical Bag

Venue Directions and Information

DIRECTIONS:

The competition will take place at <u>Esmeralda Golf Course</u> (click for Goggle directions):

3933 E Courtland Ave. in Spokane

From Yakima/Tri-Cities/Wenatchee: Take I-90 East. Take exit 281 toward US-2E/US-395 N/Newport/Colville. Merge onto US-2 E/US-395 N/S Division Street. Continue to follow US-2/US-395 N. Turn right onto E Mission Ave. Turn left onto E Upriver Dr. Turn left onto N Freya Street. Turn right onto E Courtland. The golf course will be on the left.

From North Spokane: Take US-395 south. Turn left onto E Magnesium Rd. Continue onto N Freya Street. At the traffic circle continue straight to stay on N Freya St. Turn left onto E Courtland Avenue. The golf course will be on the left.

From Twin Rivers: Take US-195 north. Take exit 281 toward US-2E/US-395 N/Newport/Colville. Merge onto US-2

E/US-395 N/S Division Street. Continue to follow US-2/US-395 N. Turn right onto E Mission Ave. Turn left onto E Upriver Dr. Turn left onto N Freya Street. Turn right onto E Courtland. The golf course will be on the left.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

GOLF CARTS: Provided for approved participants who satisfy rule requirements and course volunteers.

RESTROOMS: Located in clubhouse.

GARBAGE: Please use the garbage cans located around venue. Help us out by picking up garbage as you see it and

especially as you leave at the end of the day. WE WANT TO LEAVE THE VENUE in great shape!

SMOKING: Smoking is **only allowed in designated areas** or off the venue premises. **NO DOGS allowed** within venue boundaries! Only exception is verifiable service dogs.

MERCHANDISE

Our merchandise table will be located near COMMAND CENTER. Along with our current **SUMMER SEASON** clothing, we will be selling our "past season" clothing at deeply reduced prices. **Cash / check / credit cards are all excepted**.

TOURNAMENT STYLE

TEAMS/INDIVIDUALS: Competing within divisions – teams/individuals will be using the SHOTGUN start. Esmeralda Golf Course is assigning the starting holes which will be announced just before the competition begins – DURING OUR COACHES MEETING. **NOTE:** Please allow faster teams/individuals to "by-pass" you if waiting time warrants it.

INDIVIDUAL SKILLS: Scheduled to begin at 3:15pm – athletes will be divisioned as explained later in manual.

HOUSING INFORMATION

NO housing is being provided for this competition.

MEDICAL

American Medical Response continues to provide excellent medical care at our regional competitions and will be onsite for this competition! Stop by to let them know just how much we appreciate them.

We highly encourage each team to bring your own personal medical kit with you.... and, don't forget – coaches are required to carry current AFP and UP forms with them! FYI: A medical bag will also be kept at the COMMAND CENTER.

COACHES MEETINGS:

We will have a short onsite COACHES MEETING at the COMMAND CENTER on the day of the event (2:30pm). Don't forget about our **ON-LINE/PHONE-IN meeting on Friday, July 19**th (instructions in COACHES PACKET and EAST REGION webpage) and below:

2019 ER Golf Coaches Call

Fri, Jul 19, 2019 6:30 PM - 7:30 PM PDT

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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SNACKS:

Because the competition does not expand through lunch time - **NO lunches are being provided.** However – **snacks will be available** (Welch's Fruit Snacks / Granola Bars / Nutri Grain Breakfast Bars).

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers play a vital role in the success of our EAST REGION GOLF COMPETITION. Dozens of dedicated and enthusiastic persons are needed in the days before, during and after our Sunday event.

Coaches – WE NEED HELP: if you know of anyone interested in helping us at this event, please refer them to our online registration site: https://2019eastgolf.my-trs.com/

A heart-felt thank you to ALL who have volunteered to help make this competition happen!

AWARDS



Awards will be presented near the designated area as results are processed and completed. This is a state qualifying competition – required placements in order to advance to state will be announced just before the competition. We ask that all teams or individuals remain at the venue until their awards have been presented. If it becomes impossible to stay for the award presentation, the HEAD COACH is responsible to have a team or individual representative pick up the awards as they are presented and be responsible to deliver them to the recipients.

STATE GOLF ALLOCATIONS:

Here are how the state GOLF allocations (how many teams/individuals the EAST REGION can send) for our upcoming SUMMER STATE GAMES are determined:

Special Olympics Washington has divided the state into three regions – the East Region includes the areas of **North Central / Northeast / Southeast / Tri-Cities / Walla Walla / Valley** as shown on the map at the end of this manual:

The state office works from a pre-determined matrix (formula) in order to approve how many ALLOCATIONS a region is allowed. That matrix includes things such as: housing space / venue space / time restraints / volunteer availability / budget boundaries / etc.

The total ALLOCATION number must then be divided amongst the three regions. This is determined by calculating the number of teams/skills individuals representing each region. The number of ALLOCATIONS each region is awarded is proportionate (percentage) to the number of participants/teams the region reports.

The East Region GOLF allocations will be determined and announced just before our competition on July 28th.

SUMMER STATE GAMES REGISTRATION

A quick turnaround - registration deadline for those advancing to our SUMMER STATE GAMES in Everett will be no later than <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>July 30th</u>. Required forms will be available on our <u>East Region Webpage</u>.

Application for Participation (AFP) – Unified Participation release (UP)

SOWA requires all participants to poses a current AFP / UP in order to participate during the season – that includes practice and competition! **Coaches are required to carry copies** of those forms while at practice and competitions. It is very important to keep those forms in a safe place as they contain personal information.

DIVISIONING INFORMATION

Special Olympics competitions provide teams and athletes with the opportunity to demonstrate sport skills they have acquired during training. Special Olympics teams and athletes strive for their best performance at each competition. Most regional competitions are also used to advance teams to our season's STATE GAMES based on their results and allowed state allocations (see "allocation" section for explanation).

TEAMS: Based on Special Olympics International's Article 1, teams are divisioned by age group and skill level. If necessary and safe, age groups may be divisioned together. However, allocations are adjusted so that the age groups are not competing against each other for a state invitation – we are simply looking for ways to provide regional competition.

In order to cultivate equitable competition, we try to division teams according to their level of play. Skill level is based on qualifying scores submitted by the coach during the FINAL REGISTRATION process and past season results if the team

is basically made up of the same athletes/partners.

INDIVIDUAL SKILLS: Based on Special Olympics International's Article 1, athletes are divisioned by age, gender, and ability unless there are not enough participants to create a competitive division within these parameters. Divisions are generally created with a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 8 participants. However, if there are not enough participants to accommodate age, gender and ability while also abiding by the minimum and maximum division numbers, we may combine the categories above in order to cultivate equitable competition.... or, in some cases reduce the minimum number to 1 or 2.

In addition to using the guidelines above to cultivate equitable competition, we use the qualifying scores submitted on the INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION FORM.

We will always strive to create the best divisions, however, there may be times when divisioning pairings fall short of our stated goals.

AREA LEADERSHIP **AREA MAP** Special Olympics Washington Peninsula Northeast Clallam Spokane Ferry Stevens Lincoln Pend Oreille Jefferson Kitsap Gig Harbor Capitol Southeast Pierce Thurston Lewis Grays Harbor Whitman Asotin Columbia Garfield Columbia River Tri-Cities Clark Cowlitz Benton Franklin Wahkiakum Walla Walla Cascade Walla Walla Snohomish Whatcom King County King Douglas Okanogan Chelan Ellensburg Sunnyside Kittitas Adams Klickitat

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See you on July 28th at ESMERALDA GOLF COURSE!