

NAVAL ACADEMY GOLF ASSOCIATION

The Naval Academy Golf course is the home course of the USNA Men's and Women's Golf teams and the Brigade of Midshipmen. The course, grounds and facilities are maintained by the Naval Academy Golf Association (NAGA) and in addition to the care and preservation of the property, NAGA offers private memberships in a number of categories, available to military, USNA alumni and civilians.

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ADMINISTRATION

The management, control and supervision of the golf course shall be under the purview of the Naval Academy Golf Association President, hereinafter referred to as "President".

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Advisory Committee, assigned by the President, shall report to the President or designee, to assist in carrying out duties in conjunction with the golf course. The members of this committee are posted in the Pro Shop. The members of the Advisory Committee are recommended by the Chair of the committee, and conferred by the President. Committee members serve for a term determined by and at the will of the Chair, in concurrence with the oversight of the President. Any member interested in serving, and an open position exists, may submit a request to the Chair and to the President.

The Advisory Committee consists of the following:

- Chair (Head Pro)
- Deputy Director of Athletics for Administration
- Greens Representative
- Men's Navy Golf Team Head Coach
- Women's Navy Golf Team Head Coach
- 18 Hole Women's Group Representative
- 9 Hole Women's Group Representative
- Men's Golf Association Representative
- Women's Golf Association Representative
- Civilian Member Representative
- Senior Men's League Representative
- Chief Financial Officer
- Golf Course Superintendent
- Director of Membership and Marketing

The Advisory Committee shall be responsible to the President regarding advice and counsel on the day to day operations of the golf course in the following areas:

- Monitoring and upholding Rules, Supplementary Regulations, Bylaws and Policies;
- Recommendations for improvement, upkeep, and maintenance of the golf course, facilities and Pro Shop;
- Administration of tournaments among members of NAGA;
- Strategic initiatives presented to the Chair; and
- Other special projects or future planning as assigned by the President.

MEMBERSHIP

In addition to open midshipmen use, membership is available through an application process. There are a number of membership categories, which shall be determined by the NAGA administration.

Membership applications are maintained and distributed by the Director of Membership and Marketing.

Application requests may be made at usnagolf.com/membership. All applications are subject to administrative review by the Director of Marketing and Membership and final approval of the President.

A membership limit may be established. At the time, if such a limitation is placed on membership, future applicants will be placed on a waitlist. Active duty military personnel that are stationed at USNA will be exempt from a waitlist.

The following membership categories are available for qualifying individuals:

- *USNA Midshipmen*

USNA midshipmen may play at the USNA golf course at designated times, established by the Head Pro, at no cost and they do not require a membership.

- *Active Duty Military*

Individuals currently serving in the Armed Forces, and present a copy of their orders.

- *Retired Military*

Prior military personnel of the Armed Forces having served 20 years active service, and provide proof of retirement. Retired enlisted must be at least 60 years of age.

- *USNA and NAAA Active Faculty, Staff, Coaches and Administration*

Individuals currently employed by USNA, or the Naval Academy Athletic Association (NAAA), in the aforementioned categories.

- *USNA and NAAA Retired Faculty, Staff, Coaches and Administration*

Individuals currently retired from USNA, or the Naval Academy Athletic Association (NAAA), in the aforementioned categories and at least 65 years of age.

- *USNA Alumni*

Individuals who have completed four years of education and graduated from USNA.

- *Civilian*

Individuals with no military affiliation or association with the USNA, may apply as civilians. Applicants are required to have three active members of NAGA serve as sponsors and provide supporting testimonials for their admittance.

- *Young Executive*

Individuals between the ages of 22-35, with no military affiliation or association with USNA, may apply as young executives. Applicants are required to have three active members of NAGA serve as sponsors and provide supporting testimonials for their admittance. This category offers a reduced initiation fee and monthly dues until the primary member turns 36, at which time they will be transferred to a civilian

membership and their monthly dues will be adjusted accordingly. The initiation fee must be paid in full upon the transfer to civilian membership.

- *Junior*

Junior golfers, under the age of 18, may join NAGA on an annual basis with a limit of 20 new junior members annually. Junior members must be sponsored by a parent or guardian who is responsible for adherence to the rules and regulations of the course, including the payment of fees and expenses incurred by the member. Junior members may bring one guest per visit, as long as the guest has not already played the course more than twice within a 30-day period. On weekends and holidays, junior members may not schedule a tee time before 11:00am. There is an annual fee, which is due at the establishment of membership.

ADDITIONAL MEMBERSHIP DETAILS

Dependents

- Dependents included on family memberships maintain member privileges until the age of 26, as long as the primary member pays the family membership fee.

Spouses

- Spouses may apply for membership as long as they establish a family membership, with their qualified spouse as the primary member.

Widowed Members

- Widowers of primary members may retain the membership if the account is a family membership at the time of their spouse's death.

Non-Resident

- Active members in one of the aforementioned categories, excluding junior memberships, may transfer to a non-resident membership if they are relocating their permanent residence to an area greater than 75 miles from the golf course. To qualify for this transfer, a member must

have maintained active membership status for at least one year and have paid their initiation fee in full. A written request must be submitted to the Director of Membership and Marketing, along with proof of address of their new residence. An initiation fee must be paid in full prior to their request of a non-resident status. Non-resident members pay an annual fee, as well as any assessments to the membership. Once a member transfers to non-resident status, they must remain as a Non-Resident member for at least one year before transferring back to active membership. A Non-Resident member retains all membership privileges, but may only play twelve rounds per year. Should a Non-Resident member be in the area and would like to visit the course, the member is permitted to schedule a tee time in the customary manner. However, a Non-Resident member will be charged the daily greens fee associated with their previous membership category.

Honorary Membership

- The Advisory Committee may make a recommendation to the President regarding consideration of approving an honorary member (which may include a spouse). Honorary members are exempt from monthly dues and assessments and retain all membership privileges.

Extraordinary Contributions to NAGA

- At the determination of the President, former USNA Superintendents, long standing NAGA administration, staff, or benefactors of significance, and their spouse, may be granted an honorary membership. Those in this category will have displayed outstanding leadership, guidance and contributions to the advancement of the Association and betterment of the membership. Guests that accompany these individuals must pay the daily greens and cart rental fees.

Emeritus

- A member over the age of 75, or those with special exceptions, who has also been a member of NAGA for at least 25 years, may be deemed an Emeritus member at the recommendation of the Advisory Committee and approval by the President. Emeritus members are exempt from monthly dues and assessments and retain all membership privileges.

PERIODIC VERIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY

- Members are required to notify NAGA of any change in status that affects their eligibility, initiation fee or dues rate. This includes military transfers, change in family status, retirement, or resignation from active duty. Failure to respond or provide accurate personal details will result in the assessment of back fees. This amount must be paid or the member's account will become inactive and the member will face suspension or expulsion.

TRANSFER OF CATEGORIES

Members may transfer from one category of membership to another in accordance with the following guidelines:

- Upon ineligibility of active duty military status by retirement, an Active Duty Military member may transfer to the Retired Military category. The member is not required to pay the initiation fee, provided they are an active member and not more than one year has elapsed prior to their retirement date.
- Upon termination of active duty military status by resignation, voluntary or involuntary, an Active Duty Military member may transfer to a membership category for which they are eligible. Prior to transfer, the member is required to pay any outstanding fees on their account, as well as 50% of the required initiation fee for the category in which they intend to transfer, provided they are an Active Duty Military member. If they have been an active member for less than three years, they are required to pay the full initiation fee of the new category.
- Upon the resignation or termination of a USNA Active Faculty and Staff member, the member may transfer to civilian membership. This transfer requires payment of the current civilian initiation fee, either in full or in installments, as outlined in the civilian membership application.
- Members with the option to select a single or family membership at the time their membership is established, may transfer to the other once they have been an active member for one year.

To transfer membership categories, a written request must be submitted to the Director of Membership and Marketing, via hardcopy or email and include the new membership category and intended transfer date. Once the transfer takes place, the member must maintain the new membership status for at least one year before requesting another transfer.

SCHEDULING A TEE TIME

Members may schedule a tee time reservation fourteen days in advance, via the online member portal, located at usnagolf.com/memberlogin or through our app (Naval Academy Golf Association) A member number and password are provided to members. If there are issues accessing the tee sheet, or a member has misplaced their member number and/or password, they may contact the Director of Membership and Marketing for assistance. Tee times may also be scheduled by calling the Pro Shop at (410) 293-9747.

MEMBERSHIP ACCOUNT ACCESS

A member may access the details of their membership account, including their personal profile, statements, current balance, and upcoming tee times via the online member portal located at usnagolf.com/memberlogin or the app.

ACCOUNT MANAGEMENT

DUES, FEES AND PAYMENTS

- Dues, assessments, initiation and other fees shall be reviewed and established by the President, and are available via the online member portal at usnagolf.com/memberlogin or the app.
- Statements of dues and other charges are sent electronically within the first week of each month and must be paid in full before the last day of the month.
- Any guest fees and golf cart rental fees will be charged to the member's account and will be reflected in their monthly statement.

- Payment options include: check, credit card (online via the member portal) – all transactions will be assessed a processing fee, or by ACH, which automatically withdraws funds from either a checking or savings account. This option requires an authorization form submitted to the Director of Membership and Marketing. Please make checks payable to “NAGA.”
- All accounts 60 days past due will incur a late fee of 2% of the account balance, per month.
- Any account delinquent 90 days or more is subject to termination. The member will be notified of the past due balance on their account once they reach 60 days of delinquency. The member will then have 30 days to make a payment. If no effort or contact is made within the 30 days allotted, a notification of termination will be sent from the Director of Membership and Marketing. On the date indicated in the notification, the member will be removed from the association roster.

RESIGNATION, TERMINATION, SPECIAL LEAVE AND SUSPENSION

Resignation

A member may resign at his/her discretion. A resignation should be submitted in writing to the Director of Membership and Marketing.

Termination

Should a former member wish to rejoin NAGA after their membership has been terminated, they must pay the initiation fee of the membership category for which they're eligible, as well as the outstanding balance on their account at the time of termination.

Anyone removed from membership who wishes to be reinstated must make a written request to the Director of Membership and Marketing, to be reviewed and approved by the President.

Special/Hardship Leave

In extraordinary circumstances, such as financial hardship or family illness, a member may

request special leave from their membership responsibilities for up to one year. The member must submit a written request to the Director of Membership and Marketing, sufficiently detailing their adversity. Upon approval of the President, the member will not be charged any monthly dues or fees for the duration of their approved leave. While on special/hardship leave, members are prohibited from using the golf course and practice facilities. If there is an outstanding balance on the member's account, the member must pay the balance in full before returning to active member status.

Medical Leave

Should a member sustain an injury or acquire a medical condition which prevents them from utilizing their membership privileges and participating in golf activities, they may apply for medical leave. The member must submit a written request to the Director of Membership and Marketing, sufficiently detailing the reason for their request. Medical leave is offered in terms of six months or one year. Upon approval of the President, the member will not incur monthly dues during their leave, but they will be responsible for any membership assessments currently in place. If there is a balance on the member's account, it must be paid in full prior to going on leave. While on medical leave, members are prohibited from using the golf course and practice facilities. After a member's medical leave has expired they may submit another request for an extension of 6 months or 1 year.

Suspension

The President and upon recommendation of the Head Pro may suspend the playing privileges of a member. This may be for non-payment of fees, disciplinary reasons, or falsifying documents. The length and term of the suspension is at the discretion of the President.

NON-MEMBERS AND DAILY PLAY

Active Duty, Retired Military and USNA Faculty and Staff may play the USNA golf course as non-members. They are permitted to schedule a tee time 24 hours in advance and will be charged the daily green fee, based on their categorization. Midshipmen and Faculty and Staff are permitted to

schedule a tee time reservation 1 week in advance. Non-members may bring up to three guests per visit. Non-members may only begin play after 12pm each day, or at the discretion of the Head Pro. Please visit the website to see the current daily greens fees.

GUEST PRIVILEGES

- Midshipmen may bring up to three guests, but either midshipmen or their guests, are responsible for the applicable fees.
- Members are responsible for their guests' observance of all rules and for any fees and/or obligations their guests may incur.
- An individual may only play the course as a member's guest two times within a 30-day period.
- A member may schedule tee times for immediate family members (adult children, parents, brothers and sisters) four times within a 30-day period. The member must accompany their family member.
- Members may schedule tee times for up to three guests per visit. Members who wish to bring more than three guests may contact the Pro Shop staff to request to the Head Pro any special arrangements. **Guest privileges may be suspended at any time of the discretion of the Head Pro.**

COURSE RULES, REGULATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT OF RULES

The Golf Professional Staff, members of the Advisory Committee, and course rangers are charged with the enforcement of NAGA rules. Upon observing any breach of the rules detailed herein, the aforementioned individuals will inform the player of his/her violation and request immediate correction. In the event of non-compliance, a written report will be submitted to the President. Depending on the severity of the infraction, violators may be subject to a period of suspension or termination of membership. Under appropriate circumstances, the Golf Professional Staff, at their discretion, may revoke a member's playing privileges.

COURSE MAINTENANCE

Maintenance of the golf course is managed by the Golf Course Superintendent. The Green Representative of the Advisory Committee will consult with the Golf Course Superintendent and provide Recommendations for consideration by the Advisory Committee. Upon discussion, the recommendation will be presented to the President, by the Chair. If such recommendations are approved by the President, they are to be considered as directives for action.

ADDITIONAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

A priority of the golf course and practice facilities is for use by midshipmen, as well as the USNA Men's and Women's Varsity Golf Teams. Additionally, the property is also utilized by the USNA Cross-Country Teams for practice and competition. All golfers must check in at the Pro Shop before beginning play. Allowing members to play in groups of more than four players is at the discretion of the Pro Shop staff and may only be permitted when the course is not crowded. Permission must be obtained from the Pro Shop staff prior to play.

TIMES FOR USE

Midshipmen may play during all periods of authorized recreational liberty when tee times are available. Members of NAGA and their guests may play any time, as long as it does not interfere with scheduled midshipmen play, which includes physical education classes and activities, as well as USNA Golf Team practice and matches.

PRIORITY AND RIGHT OF WAY ON THE COURSE

In general, the order of priority on the first tee is:

1. Foursomes
2. Threesomes
3. Twosomes
4. Singles have no standing

Midshipmen have starting priority on all tees during scheduled Physical Education (PE) classes for golf instruction. All players will give way to Midshipmen PE players on all tees.

USNA Men's and Women's Varsity Golf Teams will have the right of way at all times. The first tee will be closed thirty minutes prior to the start of any scheduled match.

NAGA Women's Leagues and Tournaments

- Tuesdays - 9 Hole Ladies Group conducts their tournaments and regular group play each Tuesday and have priority in obtaining a limited number of tee times by coordinating with the Pro Shop. Group priority tee times are reserved during morning hours and when in season have a normal start time of 8:30. April through October, from Tee No. 1 and Tee No. 10 every other week. Other players may not tee off from the designated tee during this time without permission from the Pro Shop staff.
- Thursdays - 18 Hole Ladies Group conducts their tournaments and regular group play each Thursday and have priority in obtaining a limited number of tee times by coordinating with the Pro Shop staff. Group priority tee times are reserved during morning hours and when in season have a normal start time of 8:30. April through October, from Tee No. 1. Other players may not tee off from the designated tee during this time without permission from the Pro Shop staff. NAGA Men's Leagues and Tournaments
- Seniors' Men's Day (Male Members 55 and Over) conducts their tournaments and regular group play each Wednesday and have priority in obtaining a limited number of tee times by coordinating with the Pro Shop staff. Group priority tee times are reserved during morning hours and when in season have a normal start time of 8:30, April through October, from Tee No. 1. Other players may not tee off from the designated tee during this period without permission from the Pro Shop staff.
- The Men's Association conducts their tournaments and regular group play on weekends and holidays, and has priority in obtaining a limited number of tee times by coordinating with the Pro Shop staff.

Permission to start play on the tenth tee must be obtained from the Pro Shop. Players who started at the first tee, coming from the ninth green, have priority on the tenth tee. However, players leaving the ninth green who do not proceed directly to the tenth tee, lose their priority. Starting times are required on Saturdays, Sundays and holidays from 7:00am until 6:00pm, and on weekdays from 7:30am until 6:00pm. Starting times may be obtained online, in person or by calling the Pro Shop at (410) 293-9747.

DRESS CODE

- Appropriate and conventional golf attire is expected to be worn by players at all times. The professional staff shall use their discretion with regard to questionable attire.
- Players wearing golf spikes should exercise care not to drag or scuff their feet when on the green. Metal spikes are not permitted.
- Midshipmen may wear clothing that is approved for USNA PE activities in lieu of conventional golf attire. However, they must observe the aforementioned shoe restrictions at all times.

EQUIPMENT

- Each player must carry a golf bag with at least five clubs.
- For identification purposes, bag tags issued by the Pro Shop are to be displayed on the course at all times.

ETIQUETTE

- Conduct of the midshipmen, members of NAGA and their guests should exemplify the highest ideals of courtesy, sportsmanship, and knowledge of the Rules of Golf and Etiquette of the Game. The basis is fair play, a knowledge of them is an integral part of the game.
- Children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by an adult or approved by the Pro Shop staff.

- Pets are not permitted on the golf course.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages on the golf course is expected to be handled in a responsible and respectful manner.

Points of Emphasis Include:

- In the interest of all, golfers shall play without delay.
- No one should move, talk, stand close to, directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is making a stroke.
- No golfer shall play until the players in front are completely out of range.
- When the result of a hole has been determined, players should immediately leave the putting green.
- Players searching for a ball should allow other groups coming up to play through as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not be easily found. Any ball search should not exceed three minutes. If/when their ball is found, they should not continue their play until all other players have passed through and are out of range. Players should also remember to play a provisional if they think that the first ball may be difficult to locate.
- Players shall play without undue delay. When there is one clear hole ahead, players must signal a faster group playing behind them to play through.
- Players must play the holes of the course in proper order.
- Under no circumstances should a player “cut in” ahead of other players on the course, without the permission of the pro shop.

See the USGA Rules of Golf for additional guidance on etiquette.

PROTECTION AND PRESERVATION OF THE COURSE

- Practice on any fairway, green or from a hazard is not permitted.
- Repair all ball marks before putting or leaving the green.
- Avoid climbing or descending sloping sides of bunkers. Smooth all footprints and other indentations.
- Golf bags must be kept off greens, fringes, and out of bunkers.
- Players should not damage the holes by standing on, or close to them or when replacing the flagstick.
- Players must replace their divots, and they shall take care not to create divots while making practice swings.
- Powered golf carts are not allowed within thirty feet of the greens. Hand/pull carts are not allowed within five feet of the greens, nor are they allowed between the greens and their immediate bunkers. Golf carts must use the cart paths where provided and operate in the rough at all other times. Golfers must obey cart direction signs and avoid all roped off areas and ground under repair.
- Golfers must not drive off No. 9 or No. 18 tees while a car, from either direction, is approaching the danger area.
- Golfers must not drive off No. 1 while golfers are approaching or crossing the bridge.

SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

The recommendations for the protection of persons against lightning are described in the USGA Rules of Golf. Additionally, NAGA procedures and policies regarding the protection of persons against lightning are posted in the Pro Shop. These policies and procedures are to be strictly adhered to by all members.

NAGA is not responsible for injury or loss. The association assumes no liability for injury occurring on the golf course or in the practice facilities. Members and guests use the course and facilities at their own risk, including, but not limited to, during inclement weather and

lightning activity. All persons using or entering the golf club premises assume the risk of personal injury and the loss of personal property, and release NAGA and its affiliates, administration, governing bodies, and employees from any and all liability for such injury and losses. Members and guests using a golf cart accept and assume all responsibility for liability connected with operation of the golf cart. Members and Guests expressly indemnify and agree to hold harmless NAGA and its affiliates, administration, governing bodies, and employees from any and all damages, whether direct or consequential, arising from or related to the members or guests use and operation of the golf cart.

Damage to or loss of property of the association, or of its members or guests, caused by a member or a member's guest or family, will be the responsibility of the member and shall be charged to the member. NAGA will not be responsible for any loss of, or injury to, any property of members or guests. NAGA will not be responsible for loss of valuables, clothing, golf bags, clubs or other property.

FACILITIES AND SERVICES

- The Pro Shop hours are determined by the Head Golf Pro. Reduced hours will be in effect in winter months, or as dictated by inclement weather conditions. Members will be advised of schedule changes via the online member portal, email and the mobile app.
- Golf carts may be rented at the Pro Shop. The fee is based on the number of holes played.
- Range balls are provided at an additional cost and managed by the Pro Shop staff.
- Locker facilities are available at the Pro Shop.
- Practice facilities include a driving range, two putting greens, and practice area with bunker and target green adjacent to the first tee. They are only for the use of midshipmen, members and their guests.
- The Pro Shop is operated by the Head Golf Pro.

