

Texas Open Participant,

As you travel to Horseshoe Bay, Texas for the 2017 U.S. Kids Golf Texas Open, we would like to inform you of some important event information.



Tournament Days: Saturday and Sunday, May 13th – 14th, 2017

[Pace of Play Policy](#)

*[Cart Policy](#)

*Be sure to read the Texas Open player shuttling policy below.

Player Registration

Registration 1: Friday, May 12th from 11:00am – 4:00pm at the Cap Rock Clubhouse (Apple/Ram Pro Shop)

Registration 2: Saturday, May 13th from 7:00am – 12:00pm at the Cap Rock Clubhouse (Apple/Ram Pro Shop)

Players unable to attend Registration Period 1 will have the opportunity to attend Period 2. Players only need to attend one of the registration periods prior to their first round during designated registration times.

For a complete listing of course assignments by age and estimated tee time schedule, please visit the [Registration Information](#) homepage.

Player Shuttling by Spectators and Staff

At the Texas Open, all ***spectators, volunteers, and staff members are permitted and encouraged to help shuttle all players and caddies between holes (from green to the next tee)***. In efforts to relieve players of long walks between holes and promote positive pace of play, we ask that anyone with a rented cart please provide **equal opportunity** for rides for all players in your group. Carts must be used in accordance with the U.S. Kids Golf Cart Policy.

In addition, there are water crossings only passable by cart on Apple Rock #16 and Ram Rock #10. USKG will have shuttles for these crossings on Tournament days. We encourage all spectators with carts to assist players across these water crossings.

Practice Rounds

Official practice rounds on Friday, May 12th, are available for participants at a green fee of \$10 for 9-hole players and \$25 for 18-hole players per round. The practice round cart rental fee is \$18 for 9-holers and \$30 for 18-holers. Tee times may be booked at (830) 598-6561. For a complete listing of Course Assignments by Age, please visit the [Registration Information](#) homepage.

Spectator Carts

On tournament days, spectator carts may be rented from the golf shop at a fee of \$20 for 9-hole carts and \$40 for 18-hole carts. Due to the limited number of carts, ***carts may only be rented 30 minutes prior to players tee time and only 1 cart may be rented per player.*** In order to ensure availability for all spectators, we ask that you please return your cart to the golf shop immediately following your player's round. **Driver must have a valid Driver's License to operate the golf cart.** Please be aware that the golf course has a limited number of carts available to rent.

USKG Family Night

Join us at the Horseshoe Bay Resort Live Oak Lawn for Family Night, Saturday May 13th from 6:30pm-9:00pm! Organized games such as Ultimate Frisbee, two-hand touch football, giant checkers and many more games will be available to all who wish to play. Families can enjoy a live DJ and S'mores by the Fire Pit.

At Registration, USKG will be handing out **two wristbands** to each player that can be redeemed for a food option (Hotdogs or Chicken Sandwich, chips and a drink) at Family Night.

Age Verification

U.S. Kids Golf will be verifying TPA players' birthdates at Major Championships. **Players who have not verified at a past event, please bring a copy of your player's birth certificate OR passport to registration to submit to U.S. Kids Golf.** This is a one-time process for each player.

Pre-Verification: Players can submit an electronic passport copy or birth certificate copy to U.S. Kids Golf prior to the event to become a verified player. Documents can be emailed to tournaments@uskidsgolf.com or faxed to 678.405.3422.

Dress Code

Only acceptable golf attire is permitted. PLAYERS AND CADDIES are prohibited from wearing shoes with metal spikes, short shorts, swimwear, denim of any kind, t-shirts, or tank tops. Shirts must be tucked in at all times. Players and caddies not appropriately attired will not be permitted to participate.

REQUIRED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward
- Males must remove hat/visor while indoors
- Shirts must be tucked in at all times
- Girls' fitted shirts do not have to be tucked in, but should be an appropriate length

PROHIBITED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Tank tops, T-shirts
- Denim
- Shorts, skorts or skirts that are too short
- Cut-off shorts
- Gym shorts or pants

Proper attire is required at all times at the host facility. This includes practice rounds, Family Nights and Awards Ceremonies. Questionable attire will be reviewed by the Tournament Committee. Should a

host golf course or resort have a stricter dress code, its policy will take precedence. Players and caddies in violation will not be allowed to tee off.

Caddie Bibs

Players that have already received a Tournament Players Association (TPA) caddie bib should bring it with them to the 2017 Texas Open. Remaining players will receive a bib at Player Registration. The TPA caddie bib should be used for all future U.S. Kids Golf events.

Players that have preordered his/her last name will be able to pick up the name and caddie bib at Player Registration.

Care for the Course

U.S. Kids Golf is committed to keeping our host tournament sites in the best condition possible. During the round, we encourage players and caddies to fill or replace their divots, repair ball marks and dispose of trash properly. These simple things will keep the course in better condition and leave the host facility with a positive impression of junior golf and U.S. Kids Golf families. Thank you for helping make a positive impact on the golf course.

USKG on Social Media

To keep up with U.S. Kids Golf or share your tournament experience, feel free to follow and share on our social media pages.

Visit us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#)!

Caddie use of Carts

18-hole players and caddies may not use carts for play **other than being shuttled between holes at the Texas Open**. All players must walk during the play of each hole. Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Caddies for the 9-hole players may rent a cart for use during play (Cart Path Only). A 9-hole player must walk the duration of the hole and may **only** use the cart to be shuttled from green to the next tee box. The caddie may leave the bag on the cart or carry it on the course with the player when needed. Two strokes per hole at which any breach occurred; Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

Apple Rock and Ram Rock Range

Practice balls (included in entry fee) are available for players during the official practice round day and tournament rounds. The range will open at 7:00am each day.

Demo Day with TrackMan

U.S. Kids Golf will be hosting Demo Day on Friday, May 12th, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on the Cap Rock Practice Range. The demo will feature a TrackMan on-site to help provide players with detailed information regarding: **swing speed, distance, spin rates, etc.** Come join us at the Cap Rock Range to get your specs!

Tee Times

Players will be paired randomly for the first round and by score for the final round, unless weather conditions prohibit this. Tee times for the first round will be posted on our [Texas Open](#) homepage, at registration and around the golf course by **noon on Thursday, May 11th**.

Times for the final round will be posted approximately one hour after the completion of play for each age/gender division on our website and at the golf course. Please do not call the front desk of the hotel seeking tee time information. Players and parents are advised to look at pairings sheets personally to assure accuracy of tee times and starting hole.

Award Ceremonies

Trophies will be presented shortly after each age group has finished and the scores are posted on Sunday. The top five finishers and ties in each age group will receive an award. A schedule of awards ceremonies will be posted Sunday morning and all ceremonies will be held at the main putting green (weather permitting).

Junior Golf Scoreboard

U.S. Kids Golf will report Texas Open scores to [Junior Golf Scoreboard](#) for boys 11 and older and Girls 13-14. Junior Golf Scoreboard is a ranking system that groups players by high school graduation year.



AJGA Performance Based Entry

Champions in Boys 11, Boys 12, Boys 13-14, Girls 12 and Girls 13-14 divisions will earn (2) AGJA Performance Stars. Top 3 in Boys 11, Boys 12 and Boys 13-14 will earn (1) performance star.

Priority Status – New For 2017

There is a new level of Priority Status taking effect in 2017. Burgundy Status will now be the highest level of status players can achieve at Regional Championships. This Priority Status is good for one year and covers all events that are played in that span. The new status breakdown for Regional Championships starting in 2017 is listed below:

Order of Finish	1 st – 2 nd	3 rd	4 th – 10 th	11 th – 20 th
2017 Texas Open	Burgundy Status	Green Status	Orange Status	Blue Status

Upcoming Events

For a list of our multi-day championship events, please view our [Championships Schedule](#).
Registration is limited, so make sure you don't miss these great events!

Texas Open Event Staff

Tournament Director – **Corey Floyd**

Tournament Ops – **Casey Truelove**

Tournament Ops – **Joey Dean**

Tournament Ops – **Drew Felton**

Apple Rock Course Director – **Tom Shea, Tampa LT**

Ram Rock Course Director – **Suzie Fisher, Oklahoma City LT**

Head Rules Official- **Neil Cheshire**

We look forward to seeing you at the Horseshoe Bay!

USKG Tournament Players Association