

**GOLF**  
**SEASON OF SPORT**  
**2010-2012**

	<u><b>GIRLS</b></u>	<u><b>BOYS</b></u>
<b>FIRST CONTEST:</b>	August 23, 2010 August 22, 2011 August 20, 2012	February 21, 2011 February 20, 2012 February 18, 2013
<b>LAST CONTEST:</b>	October 29, 2010 October 28, 2011 October 27, 2012	May 6, 2011 May 4, 2012 May 3, 2013
<b>NSCIF PLAYOFFS:</b> <i>(Division I, II, III)</i>	N/A N/A N/A	May 9 or 10, 2011 May 7 or 8, 2012 May 6 or 7, 2013
<b>NSCIF CHAMPIONSHIP:</b>	November 1 or 2, 2010 Oct. 31 or Nov. 1, 2011 October 29 or 30, 2012	May 16 or 17, 2011 May 14 or 15, 2012 May 13 or 14, 2013
<b>NORCAL CHAMPIONSHIP:</b>	November 8, 2010 November 7, 2011 November 5, 2012	May 23, 2011 May 21, 2012 May 20, 2013
<b>STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS:</b>	November 17, 2010 November 15, 2011 November 13, 2012	June 6, 2011 TBA TBA

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF CONTACTS: 15**

Note: All dates and sites are subject to change.

# NSCIF GOLF PLAYOFF QUALIFYING GUIDELINES

## I. DIVISIONS

Division I: Eastern Athletic /North and South and Northern Athletic Leagues.

Division II: Butte View, Sacramento Valley, and Shasta Cascade Leagues.

Division III: Feather River, Mid Valley, and Tri-Cities Leagues.

The Golf Advisory Committee will place any other Leagues and/or schools that offer golf in one of the three Divisions.

## II. ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Golf Advisory Committee consists of representatives from each of the following leagues: Eastern Athletic/North and South, Northern Athletic, Butte View, Feather River, Sacramento Valley, Mid Valley, Shasta Cascade, and Tri-Cities Leagues.

## III. SEEDING COMMITTEE

There is no Seeding Committee. Teams and/or individuals are seeded by their qualifying scores in the qualifying tournaments. (See Section IV *and* V)

## IV. GAMES SITES AND TIMES

### A. Boys

1. NSCIF Masters Tournament Qualifying
  - a. Division I Section Championship
  - b. Division II Section Championship
  - c. Division III Section Championship
  - d. Director, Site and Date to be Determined by the Advisory Committee
2. NSCIF Masters Tournament
  - a. Site and Date to be Determined by the Advisory Committee
  - b. Director: Advisory Committee Chair

### B. Girls Finals

1. NSCIF Section Championship
2. Site and Date To be Determined by the Advisory Committee
3. Director: Advisory Committee Chair

**Note:** Teams and/or Individuals that fail to make their tee time will be disqualified as per USGA rules!

## V. QUALIFICATION AND SEEDING CRITERIA

Note: The NSCIF Divisional Section Championships and NSCIF Masters Tournament will be scored the same as the NorCal Tournament (Currently-play 6 and score 5).

A. Boys-There will be Division I, II, and III Section Championships with qualifiers advancing to the NSCIF Masters Tournament.

1. NSCIF Qualifying tournaments are as follows:
  - a. Division I Section Championship:

Teams: EAL/North #1, EAL/South #1, NAL # 1 League finishers, four (“At-Large”) teams. These At-Large teams will be the top four (4) of the remaining Division I teams, based upon their average for all league matches, scored using USGA rules.

Individuals: Up to three individuals from non-qualifying teams.

Note: Individuals must average 90 or less in league play.
  - b. Division II Section Championship:

Teams: BVL # 1, SVL #1, SCL # 1 League finishers, and three (“At-Large”) teams. These At-Large teams will be the top three (3) of the remaining Division II teams, based upon their average for all league matches.

Individuals: Up to three individuals from non-qualifying teams.

Note: Individuals must average 90 or less in league play.
  - c. Division III Section Championship:

Teams: MVL#1, FRL #1, TCL #1 League finishers, and three (“At-Large”) teams. These At-Large teams will be the top three (3) of the remaining Division III teams, based upon their average for all league matches.

Individuals: Up to three individuals from non-qualifying teams.

Note: Individuals must average 90 or less in league play.
  - d. The NSCIF Golf Rules and Playoff Committee will decide which school(s) will be designated as “At-Large” entries. To be considered for “At-Large”, team must have carded a team score of 450 or less during a league match in the current season.

#### Northern Section Masters Tournament

- a. Scoring: The scoring format used in the NorCal Championships with respect to number of participants shall also be used in the Northern Section Masters Tournament
- b. Boys
  - 1) The Northern Section Boys Masters Tournament will be held in the spring of each year at a site selected by the Golf Playoff and Rules Committee.
  - 2) Participants will include the top two (2) teams from the Division I Section Championship and the top two (2) teams from the Division II Section Championship and the top (2) teams from the Division III Section Championship. Adding the sixth players’ score will break team ties. If the teams are still tied, the tie will be broken by using the USGA recommended tie breaking procedure which totals the scores of all six players on each student for holes 10-18. If still tied holes 13-18. If still tied holes 16-18. If still tied hole 18. Individual qualifiers will include the top four individuals plus ties from each Divisional Section Championship.
  - 3) Any team shooting 430 or better or better at their Division Section Championship will automatically qualify.
  - 4) Any golfer shooting 79 or better at their Division Section Championship will automatically qualify.

- 5) Pairings for this tournament will be determined by the ranked order of finish from the previous tournaments. Not more than one member of a school's team will be in the same foursome.

#### B. Girls

1. The Northern Section Girls Championship will be held in the fall of each year at a site selected by the Golf Playoff Committee.
2. The number of participants that constitute a team and the number of scores counted will be the same as for the NorCal Championships.
3. Schools not playing in the fall tournament season will be allowed to send a maximum of three (3) individual entries to the NSCIF Championship.
4. Participants will include all girls' teams and individuals as follows:  
Individual entries to the NSCIF Girls Championships must have shot 105 (52 for 9 hole matches) or better during a league match. Teams must have shot 535 scoring 5 (267 scoring 5 for 9 hole matches) or better during a league match. If there are not 4 teams that qualify, schools will be added based on their league scores to make a field of four (4). The NSCIF Golf and Playoff Committee will decide which school(s) will be added.

Note: Additional rules regarding Teams and Individuals, Boys and Girls, and qualifying scores are listed in Section VIII below.

### VI. NORCAL QUALIFICATION

#### A. Boys or Student Teams.

1. Teams. The top two (2) teams at the Northern Section Masters Tournament will qualify for the NorCals.
2. Individuals. The lowest four (4) scores at the Northern Section Masters Tournament will qualify for the NorCals.
3. **No player or coach will be permitted to play, walk, or be on the tournament site from April 1 until the date of the tournament meeting.**

#### B. Girls Teams

1. Teams. The top two (2) teams at the Northern Section Championships will qualify for the NorCals.
2. Individuals. The lowest four (4) scores at the Northern Section Championships will qualify for the NorCals.
3. **No player or coach will be permitted to play, walk, or be on the tournament site from October 1 until the date of the tournament meeting.**

**Note:** Adding the sixth players' score will break team ties. If the teams are still tied, the tie will be broken by using the USGA recommended tie breaking procedure which totals the scores of all six players on each student for holes 10-18. If still tied holes 13-18. If still tied holes 16-18. If still tied hole 18.

### VII. STATE QUALIFICATION

#### A. Boys or Student Teams

1. Teams: The top three (3) teams at the NorCal Tournament will qualify for the State CIF Tournament.

2. Individuals: The lowest six (6) scores at the NorCal Tournament will qualify for the State CIF Tournament.
  3. Tournament Directors will determine guidelines for practice rounds prior to State Finals. Refer to State Golf Advanced Bulletin.
- B. Girls Teams
1. Teams: The top three (3) teams at the NorCal Tournament will qualify for the State CIF Tournament.
  2. Individuals: The lowest six (6) scores at the NorCal Tournament will qualify for the State CIF Tournament.
  3. Tournament Directors will determine guidelines for practice rounds prior to State Finals. Refer to State Golf Advanced Bulletin.

## **VIII. OTHER RULES GOVERNING SPORT**

### **A. Season of Sport**

#### **1. Girls-Fall.**

- a) When a school offers a fall girls team program, girls must play only in the Fall and not in the Spring with the student team.

This team would include a girl's coach and either a girl's 6-person team or individuals playing in school sponsored fall tournaments. If schools do not offer a girl's team or individuals program in the Fall Season of Sport, then girls from that school will be eligible to:

- 1) Play in the fall girls Section Tournament as an individual, if they can shoot 105 or lower in their respective League Tournament.
  - 2) Qualify as an individual from the NSCIF Section Tournament to advance to the girl's CIF NorCal Regional Tournament.
  - 3) Play on the school's student team in the Spring. They may not advance as an individual.
2. Boys-Spring (May also be referred to as the Student Team)
- a) Girls may play on the Student Team in the Spring if there was not a Girls team at their school in the Fall.
  - b) Girls may not advance as individuals in the Spring.
3. All scores are based on par 72 courses (par 36 for 9-holes). Scores reported on courses that are less than par 72, will be adjusted to reflect the difference. If course is par 71, one stroke will be added to a reported score. If par 70, 2 strokes will be added, etc.

### **B. Tournament Length**

The Section Qualifiers and Finals will be 18-hole tournaments. The host school will determine the length of other matches and/or tournaments.

### **C. Teams (Boys and Girls)**

The number of participants on a golf team and the number of scores counted will be the same as will be used in the NorCal Championships for that year.

### **D. Team/Individual Qualifying**

1. If individuals wish to compete and their school does not have a golf team they must have an eligibility statement signed by the principal. A certified coach or

designated school representative (must have letter from school principal) must accompany all golfers to the league matches and qualifying tournaments. (See Certification of Authorized Personnel Form at the end of the Golf Section).

2. In order for teams to qualify for section play-offs they must be affiliated with an existing league currently established in the play-off structure.
  3. New leagues must contact the NSCIF Golf **Rules and Playoff** Chairman before the May Board of Managers meeting on even years in order to participate in the following two year cycle.
- E. Players will carry their own clubs or use a pull cart providing a pull cart is allowable on the golf course. No motorized or self-propelling carts or caddies are allowed.
  - F. No coaching is allowed on the course of play.
  - G. All team matches in the NSCIF will be conducted under the USGA rules of golf and golf course rules listed on the scorecard **or determined by the course Pro**.
  - H. For safety reasons, all electronic devices are banned from all NSCIF competitions.

## NSCIF GAME MANAGEMENT INFORMATION

### I. OFFICIALS

The Golf Committee will assign a Tournament Director for each qualifying tournament. The Director shall establish a committee to determine any appeals that occur during that tournament. All decisions of this committee regarding rules and appeals shall be final.

### II. OFFICIAL BALL

No official ball has been adopted.

### III. PLAYER ELIGIBILITY

Any player whose name appears on the official Varsity or Junior Varsity roster for the last league game and who is currently eligible under CIF guidelines is eligible to participate. Alternates may be used on teams after the Semi-Finals, but no alternates may be used for individual qualifiers.

### IV. UNIFORMS

The following "Dress Code" will be strictly enforced:

1. Collared or mock-collared golf shirts will be worn and kept tucked in at all times
2. No denim jeans or shorts with rivets will be allowed.
3. Walking shorts are permitted at most golf courses.
4. Hats must be worn with the "bill" forward.
5. Teams should be prepared to wear "soft spikes" at all tournaments.

**Note: Failure to comply with the NSCIF Golf Dress Code may result in disqualification. Additional regulations may be required by individual courses. These regulations must also be adhered to.**

### V. GAME SUPERVISION

The Golf Committee will assign a Tournament Director for each qualifying tournament. The Tournament Director will determine appropriate supervision for that tournament. A certified coach or designated school representative must accompany all golfers to the league matches and qualifying tournaments. (See Appendix A-Form 506-Certification of Authorized Personnel Form).

### VI. ENTRY FEES (All entry fees are subject to change)

#### A. Boys

An entry fee of \$ **45.00** per team is required for entry into the Division I Semi-Final Tournaments and the Division II and Division III final boys (student) tournaments. Individual entry fees are \$**7.50** per golfer.

#### B. Girls

An entry fee of \$**45.00** per team is required for entry into the girls Division I Northern Section Championships. Individual entry fees are \$**7.50** per golfer.

#### C. **All entry fees should be made payable to NSCIF and sent directly to the Northern Section CIF Office.**

**VII. ADMISSION FEES (All admission fees are subject to change)**

There are no admission fees. Spectators are allowed on the course but must remain 30 yards from players. Carts are not allowed for spectators. No coaching or instructing by coaches or spectators is allowed on the course of play.

**VIII. HALF-TIME ACTIVITIES**

Does not apply to Golf.

**IX. FINANCIAL REPORT**

Following each Section tournament the host school will forward a financial report to the NSCIF Commissioner's office within 30 days. A 10 % penalty will be imposed on the host school for reports not received within 30 days. (See Financial Report form in the General Information Section of these Guidelines). This report shall include:

1. All schools who had entries in the tournament.
2. All schools who have not submitted entry fees.
3. A check made payable to NSCIF for the net amount of entry fees.
4. The host school retains program and concession revenues if applicable.

**X. PERMISSIBLE GAME EXPENSES**

The NSCIF Commissioner must approve all expenses prior to the start of the tournament.

**XI. PUBLICITY/REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES**

- A. The host school should provide local newspapers with advance publicity of the teams involved in the play-offs, including tournament times and locations as well as any admission prices.
- B. The host school should provide the local newspapers with a summary and highlights of the play-off tournament.
- C. Play-off teams should provide their own local newspaper with summaries, details and outcome of the tournament.
- D. It is imperative that all schools report their scores to the MaXPreps.com (when available) so that the information posted on the website is accurate. Both schools are responsible for reporting any errors to MaXPreps.com (FAX 934-7394) or to the Section office (528-9300, FAX 528-9333) before the Section seeding meeting.**

**XII. RADIO/TV**

The Section Commissioner must approve all commercial radio and TV coverage of section play-off contests. The broadcast fee is \$ 100.00 payable to NSCIF prior to the contest.

**XIII. VENDORS**

A fee of \$100 at 10% will be charged per vendor payable to prior to any Section Playoff contests where vendors will be present. The Fee will include all Divisional and Section Championships. The fee DOES NOT include Regional and State CIF Contests. Any and all display materials are to be provided by the vendor.

#### **XIV. AWARDS (Golf)**

The following awards have been approved by the Northern Section. Any additional awards must be approved by the Section office. Additional awards may not have any financial impact on member schools.

Medalist Trophy (Perpetual\*)

Jay Bell Award (Boys)-Awarded at Masters Tournament (Boys)

Women's Club Award (Girls)-Awarded at NSCIF Championship (Girls)

(\*School represented by winning golfer is responsible for engraving)

Championship Shadow Boxes ( 4 total)

NSCIF Championship (Girls)

NSCIF Division I Championship (Boys)

NSCIF Division II Championship (Boys)

NSCIF Division III Championship (Boys)

Runner-up Shadow Boxes

NSCIF Championship (Girls)

Plaque to Host Golf Course for hosting Divisional and Masters Championships (5 total)

2 Gold Medals w/ribbon hanger-2 ½" (1 Boys and 1 Girls 1<sup>st</sup> place)

2 Silver Medals w/ribbon hanger-2 ½" (1 Boys and 1 Girls 2<sup>nd</sup> place)

4 Bronze Medals w/neck ribbon-2 ½" (2 Boys and 2 Girls 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> places)

24 Individual Championship Patches (18 Boys and 6 Girls)\*

24 Individual Pins (18 Boys and 6 Girls)±

Note: Additional patches and pins may be purchased from the Section Office.

**APPENDIX A**

**Form 506**

**CERTIFICATION OF AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL**

**CIF BYLAW 506-WHO MAY COACH**

- A. All public school teams must be coached by a person who meets the requirements of the California Education code and the California Administrative Code Title V.
- B. In the case of a non-public school, a person engaged by that school on a yearly contract basis as a regular member of the school teaching staff and certified by the administrator of that school as competent for the position held.

**CIF BYLAW 508-OUT OF STATE COACHING CERTIFICATION**

Teams of affiliated California Interscholastic Federation member schools must be coached by staff members certified in their own state (for certain schools outside California).

School: \_\_\_\_\_

School Team: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Name \_\_\_\_\_

School Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Coach's Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City) (State) (Zip)

I hereby assert and verify that the person named above is authorized by \_\_\_\_\_ High School to coach the above team and meets the requirements of the above bylaws as of this date.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Principal signature) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Principal's name)

**PLEASE MAKE SEPARATE COPIES FOR EACH CERTIFIED COACH**