

NJ Golf invites credentialed media to report on its championships, competitions, and USGA qualifiers at our host venues. To ensure that all qualified media outlets have appropriate access and working space, the following guidelines have been developed.

- Only pre-approved credentialed media is permitted on the grounds of an event.
- All requests for credentials must be submitted through the official application link listed on the NJ Golf website (or [click here](#)). Credential applications will be considered only if they are submitted by an outlet's assignment editor and will only be provided to professional working personnel who fulfill the accreditation criteria of NJ Golf.
- Media credentials must be requested on an event-specific basis.
- Media credentials will be issued only to individuals regularly employed by and on assignment from print and digital newspapers, golf publications and productions, golf and sports websites, radio and television stations, networks and wire services that regularly cover professional golf, amateur golf and/or NJ Golf events and championships.
- Media must check-in with NJ Golf staff upon their arrival each day of an event.

AGENCIES AND INDIVIDUALS NOT ELIGIBLE

Credentials shall not be issued to the following:

- Persons writing or gathering material for books, short films or movies.
- Freelance reporters or photographers.
- Executives and/or staff without championship assignments.
- Representatives of syndicated television or cable programmers who are not producing programs for immediate news coverage.

CREDENTIAL POLICIES FOR ALL MEDIA

Display of credentials: Appropriate credentials are required at all times for access to the media area.

Professional Conduct: Credentialed media are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times while covering NJ Golf championships. Media must respect players, officials, volunteers, spectators, and fellow media members and comply with all instructions from NJ Golf staff. Policies set forth by a host venue (e.g., dress code, electronic device usage, access permission) will apply. Conduct that disrupts play, interferes with championship operations, or reflects negatively on the event may result in the revocation of credentials.

Right to revoke: A breach of any of the media credential regulations may result in forfeiture of the media credentials for both the individual and media organization including, but not limited to, the right to work at the current and at future NJ Golf championships. NJ Golf reserves sole discretion to revoke credentials at any time.

Working environment: Media shall respect the work environment by maintaining a professional atmosphere in the media center and designated interview areas.

Prohibited equipment: No tripods or ladders are permitted on the course at any NJ Golf championships. The use of golf carts is strictly prohibited unless permission is granted by an NJ Golf staff member.

Player interviews are not permitted during play and/or after the round until a scorecard is signed by the player. Please direct player interview requests to an NJ Golf Communications representative.

News and editorial use only: Approved media outlets and its representatives may use information and other content collected at NJ Golf championships solely in news and editorial coverage of that championship. No other use, especially commercial use, by either the media outlet or credentialed individual may be made without the prior written authorization of NJ Golf.

NJ Golf media rights: NJ Golf has exclusive media rights to all NJ Golf championships, including the exclusive right to license live play-by-play coverage and to transmit comprehensive coverage of the championship. NJ Golf retains the exclusive right to real-time transmission of streaming video, digital images, and real-time audio of the championship on the NJ Golf website or a site designated by NJ Golf. “Real-time” is defined by NJ Golf as continuous play-by-play account or live, extended live/real-time statistics, or detailed descriptions of the championship. Periodic updates of scores, statistics or other brief descriptions are acceptable and must follow all regulations.

Mobile devices: Phone calls are allowed only in designated areas throughout the course or club. Media are required to follow the spectator policy when it comes to using a mobile device for photo/video/audio recordings.

PHOTOGRAPHY

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- All photographs must be taken at appreciable distances, as far from the players as possible, and from angles that are not acute to the line of play.
- Photographers must not take conspicuous positions.
- Photographers are not permitted to position themselves behind the players.
- Photographers may not take photographs from behind the teeing ground.
- When working near the green, photographers must not position themselves directly in a player’s putting line.
- Photographers are not permitted access to the players’ locker room.
- Remote controlled drones and other devices are strictly prohibited.
- Photographers must not release the camera shutter after the player stands over the ball and before the player has completed the stroke.
- The use of strobes or flash photography is prohibited on the course.
- Media must remain off the green at the completion of the championship.