



Inaugural Cronheim Cup
Watchung Valley Golf Club – Watchung, New Jersey
Monday – Tuesday, August 10-11, 2026

PLAYER INFORMATION SHEET – PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

**** PLAYERS MUST CHECK IN AT REGISTRATION UPON THEIR ARRIVAL ****

**** PLAYERS MUST REPORT TO THEIR STARTING TEE 10 MINUTES BEFORE THEIR STARTING TIME ****

TIME OF STARTING

Rule 5.3a states: “The player must be ready to play at the starting time and starting point set by the Committee.” Penalty for breach: The player arrives at starting point, ready to play, no more than (5) five minutes late: The player gets the general penalty (2 strokes) applied to his or her first hole. Otherwise, the penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.

WITHDRAWAL

PRIOR TO EVENT: Notify NJ Golf by phone (908-241-4653) or email (tournaments@njgolf.org).

DAY OF EVENT: A player must call the pro shop at the club and ask that a message is forwarded to the NJ Golf Staff.

No-shows will be suspended from competitions for one year.

EQUIPMENT

1. **The USGA Groove and Punch Mark Specifications (effective Jan. 1, 2010) are in effect for this competition.**

**** New Jersey Golf strongly suggests that all players verify the conformance of their clubs well in advance of the competition. It is the player’s responsibility, not NJ Golf’s responsibility to ensure that all clubs conform. Waiting until the day of the competition is the fault of the player. The Committee is under no obligation to test the club, nor will testing mechanism(s) be available at NJ Golf competitions. The competitor may play. However, if it is later determined that the club is non-conforming, including after the competition has closed, the player will be disqualified.****

2. Only brands of golf balls on the USGA’s latest list of conforming golf balls may be used.

3. Only drivers on the current USGA’s Conforming driver-head list will be permitted.

DRESS CODE

Players and caddies must be dressed appropriately. Those not dressed appropriately will not be permitted to remain on the premises. The following applies: Cargo shorts/pants, denim, t-shirts, undershirts, flip-flops, and sandals are **not** permitted. Appropriate dress includes: A Collared Dress Shirt, Golf or Polo Shirt (tucked in). Hats/visors must be worn forward and removed when inside.

CONDUCT & COURTESY

1. Exemplary conduct is expected of all players, caddies, and spectators. Conduct deemed to be inappropriate may result in disqualification and/or future rejection of entries.

2. The use of cell phones is PROHIBITED on the golf course (except for mobile scoring).

LOCAL RULES

1. The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA and R&A govern play. Local Rules will be provided onsite.

2. Please refer to the NJ Golf Local Rules & Terms of the Competition “Hard-Card” posted at www.njgolf.org.

3. Rule 25 Modifications for players with disabilities. Please refer to the below policy:

https://njgolf.org/media/championships/2025/rule_25_policy.pdf.

PACE OF PLAY

The NJ Golf Pace of Play system will be in effect; [see separate notice](#). Timing guidelines (per hole) will be indicated on each player's official scorecard. Pace of play will be monitored and penalized if necessary.

SCORING & SCORECARDS

Official Scorecards will be distributed by the NJ Golf starter on the starting tee. Upon completing the round, players must report directly to their designated scoring area where scores shall be checked for each hole and doubtful points settled with the committee. Both the player and marker must sign each scorecard. Players/groups are still required to do live hole-by-hole scoring electronically using the **Golf Genius app**. The starter will give each group their GGID to allow them to enter hole-by-hole scores and check the leaderboard.

CLUBHOUSE/LOCKER/PRACTICE FACILITIES

Clubhouse facilities, locker rooms and practice facilities will open at 6:30 a.m. daily.

FORMAT & SCHEDULE

54-Holes, Stroke Play. The Championship field will consist of a maximum of 78 players (51 boys and 27 girls) who will compete over thirty-six holes on day 1, after which the field will be cut to the low 32 (20 boys and 12 girls) scorers (plus ties). Remaining players will compete on day 2 over 18-Holes. The Champions will be the players with the lowest 54-Hole aggregate scores and will be presented with the Robert D. Cronheim Cup, which will remain on display at the club.

TRANSPORTATION / CADDIES

Motorized transportation is PROHIBITED in this competition. A player must walk and carry their bag; caddies are not permitted. **Pull/Push Carts are NOT PERMITTED in this championship.**

SPECTATORS

Spectators are permitted at this championship. There may be certain restrictions on where non-players can go within the clubhouse. Spectators are NOT permitted to use golf carts and must remain clear of play at all times.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

A light continental breakfast for PLAYERS ONLY will be available. A buffet luncheon will be provided at no charge **to players only** each day. Lunch for spectators, will be available in the clubhouse for payable to the club. There will be drinking water available on the golf course. Spectators should be prepared to bring their own water. After play on Day 1 there will be a MANDATORY players dinner. The dress for dinner is country club casual (not golf attire). Those who participate in the final round are invited to the championship trophy presentation and lunch reception upon the conclusion of play.

INCLEMENT WEATHER

New Jersey Golf will exhaust every effort to conduct the event as scheduled. Play would only be disrupted due to lightning or unplayable conditions. Information regarding the impact of weather on the event will be posted at www.njgolf.org and emailed/texted to players

PRACTICE ROUND

The club has graciously agreed to allow each player in the field one (1) practice round. The fee for a practice round is \$50 dollars payable in the golf shop. Players must call the pro shop to reserve a time. Approximate yardage for the championship will be Boys – 6500-6700 yards (Blue Tee) and Girls – 5700-5900 yards (White tee).

Practice rounds are available:

Tuesday, August 4 - after 12:00 PM

Wednesday, August 5 - after 12:00 PM

Saturday, August 8 - after 2:00 PM

Sunday, August 9 - after 2:00 PM

Players only, no caddies or spectators.



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