### Florida State Golf Association

## **Championship Operations**



### **Play-off Procedures**

Generally, a play-off is a hole by hole competition played at the completion of regulation play to determine a winner, qualifier, or alternate(s). A playoff is a new stipulated round.

The Committee will determine the hole(s) if a play-off arises. In some instances, the hole(s) for a play-off are decided beforehand by the Committee and are identified on the Notice to Players.

It is the responsibility of the player to be present for any play-off.

#### **USGA** and FSGA Qualifiers

- Final qualifying positions and alternates should be determined by playoff only. No other method is acceptable when all players are present (i.e.-chip off)
- If for any reason (weather, darkness, course unplayable, etc.), time is not available for a
  play-off on the day of the competition, a play-off should be scheduled for the next
  morning
- If the Tournament Chairman is unable to attend the play-off, the FSGA office will arrange or provide appropriate coverage

#### Suggested Play-off Procedures

- Once the final scorecards are returned, it is suggested that the Tournament Chairman assign a starting time and tee for any play-off
- At times, there may be more than one play-off concurrently
- When a play-off is eminent, coordinate with the club to determine possible open available holes
- Par 4's have a tendency to work best and are considered the most equitable. However there is no rule about the type of hole on which to begin the play-off
- Generally any more than 5 players in one play-off should be broken up into multiple groups

#### Players Not Present for Playoff:

A player who has returned a score that qualifies him for a qualifying or an alternate spot, has earned a qualifying or an alternate spot, even if he has left the course.

**Example:** You are required to rank order 2 alternates. Three players (A, B & C) score 74's.

**Situation # 1:** All 3 players are present for a playoff.

Solution: Both alternate positions are determined by playoff.

**Situation # 2:** Players A & C are present. Player B has left the course.

Solution: Players A & C play-off for 1st and 2nd alternate. B has no standing.

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**Situation # 3:** Players A & B leave the course while Player C is still present. Solution: Player C is 1st alternate; 2nd alternate is determined by lot.

**Situation # 4:** All 3 players have left the course.

Solution: Both alternate positions are determined by lot.

<u>Procedure to determine by lot:</u> You may draw numbers assigned to each player or names from a hat. A deck of cards could be used with the highest card representing their position.