

**SENIOR MEN'S RATTLESNAKE OPEN
SUPPLEMENTAL LOCAL RULES & TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS
APRIL 15 & 16, 2025**



Senior Men's Rattlesnake Open – 2025

Welcome to the 2025 Senior Men's Rattlesnake Open. We appreciate everyone who has taken the time to support this tournament.

Play is governed by the **Golf Canada Rules of Golf** and the following local rules. Ignore local rules on any scorecard or hard card. Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a local rule or condition is **two strokes**.

TOURNAMENT DIVISIONS

- There are **two divisions** in the 2025 Senior Men's Rattlesnake Open:
 - **Age 50 to 64**
 - **Age 65+**
- Each division will compete for the **Overall Championship** of their division.

SCORING

- At least one player per group is requested use the **Golf Genius** tournament app to score for their playing partners (GGID code will be provided).
- Record your gross score on the app or on your scorecard.
- All players must also keep a **paper scorecard**:
 - If using the app, keep your own score on paper as well.
 - If not using the app, keep your playing partner's score on the top and your own on the bottom of the card.
- Scorecards will be distributed at registration before each round.
 - Players must **rotate scorecards** so they are scoring for their fellow competitors.
 - Following play, scores must be verified at the **scoring area adjacent to the Pro Shop**.
 - Each scorecard must be **signed by both the scorer and the contestant** and left with the scoring team for final submission.

TEE MARKERS

- **Senior Division:**
 - **Round One** | Desert Gold | Black Tee
 - **Round Two** | Park Meadows | Blue Tee
- **Super Senior Division:**
 - **Round One** | Desert Gold | Silver Tee
 - **Round Two** | Park Meadows | White Tee

RULES IN EFFECT

- **Summer Rules**
 - The tournament will be played under Summer Rules, meaning the ball must be played as it lies, without adjustment or improvement of the lie, stance, or area of intended swing, except as permitted by the Rules of Golf. No preferred lies or lift, clean, and place provisions will be in effect unless otherwise stated by the Tournament Committee.
- **Starting Times (Rule 5.3a):**
 - Players must be at their assigned tee **at least five minutes before** their assigned start time.
 - The tournament committee **will not delay the group** for a late player.
- **Doubt as to Procedure (Rule 20.1c(3)):**
 - If playing a second ball due to a rules doubt, **you must report it to the committee.**
 - If you do not declare which ball should count, the **first ball played** will be used (if allowed by the rules).
 - Failure to report to the committee will result in **disqualification.**
- **Practice:**
 - **Practice is NOT allowed** on the competition course before or between rounds during the two day event.
- **Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2):**
 - Defined by **white stakes and/or perimeter fencing.**
- **Optional Relief for Ball Lost or Out of Bounds (Rule E5):**

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- When a player's ball has not been found or is known or virtually certain to be out of bounds, the player may proceed as follows rather than proceeding under stroke and distance.
 - For two penalty strokes, the player may take relief by dropping the original ball or another ball in this area.
 - **Hoof Prints in Bunkers**
 - Hoof print damage is **ground under repair** (Rule 16.1c).
 - **Relief options:**
 - **No penalty:** Drop within **one club length** in the bunker.
 - **One-stroke penalty:** Drop **outside** the bunker, keeping the previous spot in line with the hole (no limit on how far back).

TIE BREAKING / PLAYOFF

- **Overall Low Gross (per division):** Sudden Death Playoff starting on **Hole #18** of the current course. Repeat until outright champion.
- **Flight Winners:** Determined by:
 1. Best final round
 2. Best back 9
 3. Best back 6
 4. Best back 3
- **Net Prizes:** Handicaps will be considered, using retrogression.

SUSPENSION OF PLAY (Rule 5.7)

- **One long blast of the horn** signals immediate stoppage due to a dangerous situation. **Do NOT finish your current hole.**

GOLF CANADA TOURNAMENT SCORING

- **Tournament scores will be entered** into Golf Canada by the **tournament committee.**
 - **Do not enter your own score** to avoid duplicate entries.
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AMATEUR PRIZING:

Overall Gross Champions:	Flight Winners:	Flight Winners:
50 to 64: \$300	50 to 64 Division	65+ Division
65+: \$300	Gross & Net	Gross & Net
Overall Net Champions	1st: \$250	1st: \$250
50 to 64: \$300	2nd: \$150	2nd: \$150
65+: \$300	3rd: \$75	3rd: \$75

HOLE IN ONE & PROXIMITY COMPETITIONS

- Round One | Desert Gold | All Players: HIO – **Hole #12** | Closest to the Pin – **Hole #16**
 - Round Two | Park Meadows | All Players: HIO – **Hole #13** | Closest to the Pin – **Hole # 7**
- Note:** Hole in One has auto-renew policy in effect, should a hole in one be recorded a second hole in one would also count.

DEUCE POT:

Optional game \$5/day, must pay for both days (\$10 total), and anyone who scores a 2 (deuce) on any hole wins a share of the pot. If multiple players make a deuce, the pot is divided evenly among them; if no one makes a deuce, the pot may will be raffled off to players who entered the deuce pot.

RAFFLE TICKET SALES:

Enter to win one of two golf prize packages, valued at over \$650 each. Tickets are \$5 each or 6 for \$20 and are available at registration.

HORSE RACE:

Monday, April 14, 2025 at 4:30pm. This is an optional event, open to all Sr. Men's Rattlesnake Open participants. Register with the Pro Shop, prior to 4:15pm on April 14th. Two-man, alternate shot, Pro Shop to set teams. Cost is \$25 per person. Cash prizes will be awarded.

LOCAL RULES

Desert Gold Course

- **Road Right of Desert Gold #1**
 - The entire road and the area between the road and chain-link fence are an **immovable obstruction**. Free relief is allowed by **dropping within one club length** of the nearest point of relief (on the left side of the road), not nearer the hole.

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- **Drop Zone – Desert Gold #1**
 - Available for relief from interference caused by the **wooden fence near the green** or a ball landing on the roadway **below the fence**.

 - **Environmentally Sensitive Areas (ESA) – "Desert Sanctuary"**
 - Marked by **red stakes with green tops**. Entry into these areas is **prohibited**.
 - Relief options (**one-stroke penalty**):
 - **Stroke and distance** (replay from previous spot).
 - Drop behind the ESA, keeping the entry point and the hole in line.
 - Drop within **two club lengths** of where the ball crossed into the ESA, not nearer the hole.
 - **Additional Drop Zones (Holes 8 & 11):** If the ball enters the ESA **beyond the Drop Zones**, use the Drop Zone (one-stroke penalty).

 - **Interference from ESA**
 - If a **fence or bushes** in the sanctuary interfere with swing/stance, **free relief** is allowed within **one club length** (not nearer the hole).

Park Meadows Course

- **Drop Zone – Park Meadows #11**
 - Located at the **back left corner of the green**. Alternative relief option (**one-stroke penalty**) for a ball that enters the **lateral hazard** beyond the cart path.

 - **Protected Trees**
 - Trees marked with ribbons require **mandatory relief** if they interfere with swing/stance. Drop within **one club length**, not nearer the hole.
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