

# **GOLF ANNOUNCEMENTS – 9/12/2023**

## **USGA Rule of the Week**

Key rule change for 2023 – 1.3b (2)

Determining the area of the course where the ball lies, including whether the ball lies on the course.  
Determining whether the ball touches or is in or on an abnormal course condition.

2019 outcome: Unclear when “reasonable judgement” should be applied to these determinations.

2023 outcome: “Reasonable judgement” applies when determining the area of the course where the ball lies, if it lies in or out of bound, or if it touches or is in or on an abnormal course condition.

## **Girls Golf Classifications**

General classification numbers will begin to be submitted September 20. At that time girls golf will utilize the 40/60 rule. Forty percent of the schools playing girls golf that are 4A-1A will be classified 4A for girls golf postseason. The remaining 60% will be 3-1A. This was put into play in 2018 when to help with the distribution of participation at those classification levels.

Once those determinations are made, we can then distribute regional groups.

## **Coaching Resources**

[High school rules of golf resources for coaches](#)

[Junior Golf 101: Help for parents & coaches](#)

[Titleist/FootJoy High School Golf Purchase Program](#)