



# Kauai Junior Golf Association 2026 Handbook

Aloha and welcome to the Kauai Junior Golf Association's 2026 season. We are glad that your child is participating in this year's season and we look forward to a year with a lot of golf and fun and we thank you in advance for being an active supporter and participant in helping make this a great year.

We want to send out a big "MAHALO" to all the golf courses, management and staff that host KJGA events and provide the opportunity for kids to get out and play tournaments at their facility. These include: Puakea Golf Course, Poipu Bay Golf Course, The Ocean Course at Hokuala, Wailua Golf Course, Kiahuna Golf Course and Princeville Makai Golf Club. Without their support our tournament program would not be possible.



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# Welcome!

This junior golf program was founded in the nineteen sixties by Chica Ishii, Mitchell Ota, Toyo Shirai, and Tom Tomimoto. Beside their love of the game of golf, these men also shared a desire to introduce youngsters to the sport and a willingness to help them develop their golf skills.

As the popularity of golf continues to grow among young people, KJGA is proud to be able to carry on what these four men started. Since its inception, the KJGA program has seen hundreds of juniors develop into avid golfers. Many of them have gone on to compete nationally on the amateur, collegiate and professional levels after leaving our junior program.

The success of this program is credited to the support received from dedicated parents, businesses, golf professionals and many others not only on Kauai but throughout the State of Hawaii. We are pleased to have you join us, and trust that you are willing to take on the task of helping KJGA achieve another successful year.

This Handbook is designed to familiarize you with the KJGA organization, its program, goals, and the many opportunities made available to our junior members. We hope it is a useful tool for you throughout the year. Please take the time to read through it in its entirety. Keep it in a handy place so you can refer to it when needed. If you have any questions, feel free to call any of the contact persons listed in the KJGA Directory.

# **KJGA Directory**

## **2026 Board of Directors**

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## **PURPOSE AND GOALS**

The objective of the Kauai Junior Golf Association (“KJGA”) is to provide an environment where its junior members can enjoy the game of golf, and progress at his/her own rate while promoting and preserving the traditions and integrity of the game.

The KJGA is a non-profit, tax-exempt organization under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, and gains its funding through memberships, sponsorships and contributions. All contributions to the Association are thus tax deductible by individuals and corporations alike to the extent allowable by current tax laws.

The KJGA is governed by a volunteer Board made up of leading island businessmen and women, parents, golf enthusiasts and golf professionals who help guide the Association’s activities and programs.

The Association’s goals are to provide junior golfers:

- Opportunities that will teach responsibility, develop qualities of leadership and integrity, and assist them in becoming productive members of the adult community;
- Instructional clinics and rules of golf sessions;
- Golf at a minimal cost;
- Encouragement for good sportsmanship and friendship with other juniors;
- Opportunities to travel and participate in off-island tournaments; and
- Scholarship assistance for higher educational pursuits to qualified juniors.

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

### QUALIFICATIONS:

KJGA membership is open to male and female junior golfers who meet the following qualifications:

- Are between the ages of 7 – 18 (as of 7/9/2026)
- Have not reached their 19th birthday and have not entered college
- Demonstrates a basic understanding of the game of golf.

*Annual membership is from January 1 – December 31. However, membership is terminated on the junior's 19th birthday or on the first day of class when the junior enters college, whichever occurs first. Once membership is terminated, juniors may no longer participate in KJGA / HSJGA events and will forfeit any exemptions earned but not yet used.*

*Juniors under 7 years of age may be accepted under the following conditions:*

- *Space is available*
- *Parent/guardian must accompany junior at all KJGA activities and events*
- *There is verification of prior lessons with a golf professional and some knowledge of the rules of golf is evident*

## **2026 REGISTRATION FEES:**

**\$99 per child**

### **Includes:**

- Access to play in KJGA tournaments
- Access to KJGA discounted lesson program with local golf professionals
- USGA Handicap for all kids 11 and over or any kids 10 or younger who want to play in a HSJGA event (GHIN number required) or regularly play from a tee box with a slope and rating.
- KJGA golf shirt
- Membership in the Hawaii State Junior Golf Association (“HSJGA”) for the current calendar year (note: membership is terminated on Junior’s 19<sup>th</sup> birthday or on the first day of his/her college class). To take advantage of a free HSJGA membership you will need to go to the HSJGA website at [www.hsjga.org](http://www.hsjga.org) go through the registration process and pay the registration fee. The HSJGA will refund your membership fees once they verify your membership with KJGA. The HSJGA is a separate organization with it’s own rules and requirements. If your child wants to participate in HSJGA events they will need to follow the rules and requirements of the HSJGA. Please make sure you are familiar with those before your child plays in an HSJGA event.
- Reimbursement for all 2026 HSJGA entry fees in to events held on the island of Kauai

## KJGA RULES

The following are considered **serious offenses**. Parents will be notified and the following consequences enforced.

### **INFRACTION**

#### **Use of Alcohol/Drugs: 1st offense:**

Expulsion from KJGA program

#### **Cheating, Stealing, Smoking, Fighting, Gambling or abuse of the golf course:**

**1st offense:** Disqualification and suspension from next tournament

**2<sup>nd</sup> offense:** Disqualification and suspension from next tournament and deduction of 25 points from season points total

**3rd offense:** Expulsion from program

#### **Club Throwing, profane language or insubordination:**

**1st offense:** Warning

**2nd offense:** Disqualification and suspension from next tournament

**3rd offense:** Disqualification and suspension from next tournament and deduction of 25 points from season points total

**4<sup>th</sup> offense:** Expulsion from program

#### **Dress Code**

**1st offense:** Warning

**2nd offense:** 25 point deduction from season points total

**3rd offense:** Disqualification and suspension from next tournament

*\*'Abuse of Course' will be determined by the event's Tournament Committee in consultation with personnel from the site in question.*

**Alcohol:** KJGA does not condone the consumption of alcoholic beverages by anyone of any age at any junior event.

**Caddies and Carts:** Motorized carts are prohibited unless specifically allowed by the tournament committee for the entire field (example: KJGA may allow motorized carts in a parent/junior tournament). All players in the 11-12 age division and above must walk and carry or pull their own bags. All players in the 7-8 year old division **must** have an approved caddy to help carry or pull their bag with them when playing in any KJGA event. All players in the 9-10 year old division **may** have an approved caddy with them carrying or pulling their golf bag but are not required to have one. Tournament approved shuttles may exist at certain sites. **Spectator carts are not allowed. (Exception see “Americans with Disabilities Act”)**

**Code of Conduct** violations are enforceable by Scorers, Group Leaders, Tournament Director, and KJGA Board Members.

**Deciding Ties for Awarding Trophies:** In the event of a tie, in stroke play competition, 1st place ties will be played-off on the course. If a play-off is not feasible at the discretion of the Tournament Committee, the tie will be broken using scorecard matching. If the winner is determined by scorecard matching, both players will receive points for 1<sup>st</sup> place. The winner will be determined on the basis of the best score for the last nine holes. If the tying players have the same score on the last nine holes, the winner will be determined on the basis of the last six holes. If a tie still exists, the winner will be determined on the basis of the last three holes. If a tie still exists, the winner will be determined on the basis of the last hole. If a tie still exists, the same procedure will be applied to the front nine until a winner is determined. Ties for 2nd, 3rd, etc. will be played off by matching of scorecards as described above.

**Dress Code:** We are guests of each facility hosting our events. Proper golf attire is required at all times at all KJGA events held at a golf course. For boys this means a collared shirt or other golf appropriate shirt like mock turtle necks (no tee shirts) and “nice” slacks or “nice” shorts. “Nice” shorts do not include, cut offs, jeans or gym shorts. For girls this means golf appropriate apparel whether it be a top, skirt, shorts, leggings, etc... No clothing with logos, images, or text that could be deemed offensive are allowed. The dress code of the host course will take precedent over the KJGA Dress Code if that course’s dress code is more strict in relation to the KJGA dress code. As an example, some private clubs require shirts are tucked in and belts be worn by males or may prohibit a certain kind of top for females. If you are in doubt please contact the golf course for information on their dress code. Juniors on the course who are in violation will be asked to correct the violation if possible. If correctable and the junior refuses, the Tournament Director or official in charge will be notified and the junior will be disqualified. Juniors will be given a warning for their first violation and a 25 point deduction for a second offense and will not be allowed to play until they meet the required dress code.

**Electronic Devices:** The use of distance measuring devices is allowed during stipulated rounds. Devices that display adjusted yardage for slope must have that function turned off during stipulated rounds. If the device does not have the ability to shut off that function it may not be used

**Footwear:** KJGA prohibits shoes having metal spikes. All juniors must have appropriate shoes on the course. Slippers may be worn before and after play, but not on the practice range or green. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION

**Inclement Weather:** Any decision regarding weather delays and/or cancellations will be made on-site, the day of each event, by the KJGA Tournament Committee in conjunction with the Golf Course Superintendent, Golf Professionals and current weather forecasts.

**No Shows (DNS):** If a junior is signed up to play in an event and does not show up without prior notification of their absence, the junior will be suspended from the next event he/she has entered. (E.g., If a junior does not show up for a play day round the junior will be suspended from the next play day that he/she entered; no show at a tournament = suspension from next tournament that he/she entered.) It is the junior's responsibility to notify the KJGA of his/her absence. (See "Withdrawals")

**Pace of Play:** Rule 6-7 of the USGA Rules of Golf states *"The player must play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play guidelines that the Committee may establish. Between completion of a hole and playing from the next teeing ground, the player must not unduly delay play."* The first group of the day will be considered out of position if it takes more than 15 minutes to complete any hole. Subsequent groups will be considered out of position if they fall behind the group ahead and take more than 15 minutes per hole.

*Players in a group who are out of position will be monitored until the group is back in position. Each player will be given 40 seconds to play a shot. Timing of the player will begin when it is his/her turn to play. If the player exceeds the time limit, he/she will be given a warning. Rule 6-7 will go into effect for a repeated offense. KJGA play will comply with the Pace of Play Guidelines established by the HSJGA and printed in the current HSJGA Handbook and HSJGA Hardcard*

**Parent/Adult Play:** All KJGA tournament tee times are for juniors only (Exception: Parent/Jr Tournament). Adults will not be allowed to play along with the juniors during regular play or tournament play.

**Pick-up Policy:** If a junior picks-up (quits) before play is officially ended without permission of the Tournament Committee, the junior is disqualified (USGA Rule 6-8a), and is automatically suspended from the next KJGA tournament for which he/she is entered.

**Player Responsibilities:** Rule 6 in the USGA Rules of Golf Book does not cover those responsibilities which are common sense. Players are responsible for the accuracy of their scorecards regardless of age; please check and double check before signing your scorecard. Remember, golf is played when the heat index is often very high. Be sure to have enough liquid in your bag to last for at least nine holes, at which time you're able to refill. Sunscreen is also highly recommended.

## **THINGS A PLAYER SHOULD DO ...**

- *Know your tee time.*
- *Have all the things you will need on the course with you / in your golf bag.*
- *Read the notices given to you by the tournament officials.*
- *Make sure you play your own ball (always put an identification mark on your golf ball)*
- *In stroke play, make sure your score for each hole is correct before you sign and turn in your scorecard.*
- *Keep playing unless there is lightning, you are ill, or an official tells you to stop.*

**Refunds:** No refund of green fees/entry fees will be made after the sign up deadline for the event. No refunds will be issued for disqualifications and/or players who are not allowed to play due to Code of Conduct or other compliance issues.

**Registration:** Each Player must personally check-in at the registration table at least 30 minutes before the first tee time, unless otherwise noted on the application.

**Trash:** Juniors are asked to help maintain the beauty of our host facilities by picking up and properly disposing of any trash they see when on the course.

**Withdrawals (WD):** If a junior signs up to play and needs to withdraw, he/she must notify the KJGA as soon as possible. Failure to properly withdraw will be considered a No Show. (See “No Shows”)

***Parent/Spectator Policy:*** KJGA will allow spectators to follow players on the course unless the host course does not allow spectators as part of their course policy. All spectators should be familiar with the following policies and are expected to adhere to them. These policies are in effect during ALL rounds. During tournament play, all verbal communication must be in English and must be heard by other spectators. Do not speak to juniors during the round except for ‘good shot,’ or other non-specific words of encouragement and it must be done in English. Coaching of any kind is not allowed. “You gotta keep your head down” or “Come on, you gotta follow through like we did on the range” or “Put away the driver and just hit your 3 wood” are all examples of what would be considered coaching. Please note the spectator policy to follow:

*Definition.* A spectator shall include any family member, friend or observer.

*Code of Conduct.* Any spectator who witnesses any breach of rules by a junior should notify the Tournament Director, Rules Official or Group Leader as soon as possible.

*Parent/Spectator Dress Code.* All spectators are asked to follow the same Dress Code as juniors. All spectators are asked to be respectful of the policies of each hosted golf course facility and dress accordingly. Spectators in violation of the Dress Code policy may be asked to leave the property.

Communication: Spectators must remain at least 15 yards away from the players on cart paths, where provided, or in the rough away from any player and must keep up with the group they are following. Spectators are not allowed to speak with juniors while on the golf course unless authorized by the Tournament Committee.

Interference: Please do not interfere or distract players with the use of cameras, cellular phones or beepers. Cellular phones and/or beepers must be on 'vibrate' or silent ring when on the golf course.

Harassment: Please do not harass the walking scorers, rules officials or other KJGA or golf course staff or interfere with their duties. Any concerns regarding any of these should be submitted in writing to the Board.

Walking: Spectators must walk.

Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA"): Spectators who request relief under the Americans with Disabilities Act and seek a reasonable accommodation for their disability by the use of a motorized golf cart during all tournament competition for 2026 must do so in accordance with the policies of the host golf course and pay the applicable cart fees. No riders are allowed unless they also qualify for and ADA reasonable accommodation per the policies of the host course. Any breach of this policy may result in loss of any future use of a cart and the individual(s) involved may be asked to leave the premises.

## **Parent/Spectator Violations**

The Rules Officials, Group Leaders, Tournament Director and/or KJGA Board of Directors will first give a warning card to anyone in violation of the Parent/Spectator Policy. Further violations may be referred to the Board of Directors.

### **Inappropriate behavior includes, but is not limited to:**

#### **Spectators showing:**

- Lack of respect for juniors, other parent/spectators, volunteers, Rules Officials or the KJGA Group Leader Volunteer
- Use of cruel, obscene, abusive or vulgar language
- Any physical contact with anyone with the intent to do bodily harm
- Any verbal or non-verbal communication could be construed as giving advice (USGA Rule 8). You may compliment the player on his/her shot, but any contact beyond that can be considered giving advice and the player(s) involved could be penalized. Conversations with the player(s) are NOT permitted. Please do not signal to a player for any reason. Any verbal communication given to compliment a player MUST be done in English so as not to be construed as giving advice.
- The handing of food items / umbrellas / jackets and the like to the player is permitted by leaving items on the next teeing ground before the arrival of the player.

**Spectators failing to abide by these rules may be disciplined as follows:**

- Removal from the golf course, clubhouse area; and/or
- Suspension of spectator privileges for a time to be determined by the KJGA Board of Directors; and/or
- Failure to abide by the above rules may also result in disqualification of the related participant.

**Penalties for Spectator infractions:**

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| 1 <sup>st</sup> offense: | Warning   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> offense: | Removal from the golf course  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> offense: | Removal from the golf course, 25 point deduction for junior involved and a one (1) year suspension for spectator from the time of the infraction. |

***Please Note: Spectators may assist in searching for lost balls.***

## THE PROGRAM

***The Season:*** The KJGA season usually begins in April for new and/or returning members. Competitive and fun tournaments are scheduled throughout the year for all members. In November we hold an end of year banquet announcing our season's awards and scholarship winners, All members and their families are welcome.

***Parent Orientation:*** Orientation sessions are held early in the season to familiarize parents of new members with what they can expect from the program and what is expected of them. Parents of returning members are also welcome to attend these sessions.

***Rules Sessions/Tests:*** Juniors must pass their age group rules test before playing in any tournament. A junior who does not pass the test will not be allowed to play until the test is passed. Rules sessions are open to juniors and their parents followed by an online test for all levels. Attendance at these sessions is highly recommended. Tests will be available online at [www.kjga.org](http://www.kjga.org). Please use the Rules of Golf book and/or any other materials to complete your test. In addition, juniors are encouraged to seek help from parents, friends, teachers, coaches, golf professionals and/or anyone else who may help. This is intended to be a fun learning experience but while on the golf course juniors are expected to know and play by the rules.

***Age Determination:*** The junior's age as of **July 09, 2026** determines which age division he/she will play in for the entire season. A junior has the option of moving up to the next higher age division

**Handicaps:** All KJGA members 11 & older will be on the GHIN handicap system as part of their membership. Juniors 10 & younger who want to play in an HSJGA event (GHIN number is required) or who regularly play from tees with a slope and rating will also be set up with a GHIN handicap. The GHIN system is a service of the USGA and is used throughout the USA. The intention of the system is for a player to have one GHIN number for his/her lifetime. Juniors are responsible for entering their own scores and can do so from any home computer. Anyone having problems entering scores should refer to the HSJGA handbook. Juniors without access to a computer can request assistance from the KJGA. Only juniors with current GHIN handicaps are eligible to enter HSJGA tournaments. Thus it's vital that a junior's scores are entered on a timely basis.

**Divisions & Flights:** For KJGA tournaments, divisions are defined by the following: tees played (KJGA/ forward/ middle/ back), ages (7-8 / 9-10 / 11-12/ 13-14/ 15-18), and/or gender. If warranted by the number of entries, divisions may be further divided into flights for certain events. Likewise, the number of players entered may result in divisions defined only by tees played.

## 7-8 Year Old Division

- Parents **MUST** caddy for their child in the 7-8 year old division. If a parent is unable to caddy for their child they may designate another qualified adult to caddy for their child.
- Parents **MUST** attend a KJGA caddy training class before they caddy. To be considered a “qualified adult” who can caddy in lieu of a parent that person **MUST** attend a KJGA caddy training class.
- Caddies are allowed to give their player advice during the stipulated round.
- Caddies must follow the KJGA dress code
- All events will be 9 hole events with the exception of the final event of the season in which the 7-8 year olds will be provided the option to play 18 holes if they so desire.
- General Yardage Guidelines, Boys & Girls (Purple KJGA Tees):
  - Par 3's 25 - 60 yards
  - Par 4's 70 - 150 yards
  - Par 5's 170 – 225 yards

## 9-10 Year Old Division

- Parents **MAY** caddy for their child in the 9-10 year old division. If a parent is unable to caddy for their child they may designate another qualified adult to caddy for their child.
- Parents **MUST** attend a KJGA caddy training class before they caddy. To be considered a “qualified adult” who can caddy in lieu of a parent that person **MUST** attend a KJGA caddy training class.
- Caddies are allowed to give their player advice during the stipulated round. It is highly advised that caddies work towards giving their player less and less advice if they are a 10 year old to prepare them for the 11-12 year old division where caddies are **NOT** allowed.
- Caddies must follow the KJGA dress code
- All events will be 18 hole events.
- General Yardage Guidelines, Boys & Girls (Orange KJGA Tees):
  - Par 3's 50-120 yards
  - Par 4's 125 - 190 yards
  - Par 5's 200 – 325 yards

## 11-12 Year Old Division

- Caddies are **not** allowed. All juniors must carry or pull their own golf bag.
- A walking scorer will accompany each group.
- All events will be 18 hole events,
- General Yardage Guidelines Boys (This will likely be the shortest or 2<sup>nd</sup> shortest tees at the golf course):
  - Par 3's 75-165 yards
  - Par 4's 190 - 365 yards
  - Par 5's 350 – 450 yards
- General Yardage Guidelines Girls (Gold KJGA Tees, sometimes may also correspond with the shortest or 2<sup>nd</sup> shortest tees at the golf course):
  - Par 3's 75-140 yards
  - Par 4's 150 - 300 yards
  - Par 5's 300 – 400 yards

## 13-14 Year Old Division

- Caddies are not allowed.
- Players will be responsible for scoring for their group
- All events will be 18 hole events,
- Yardage Guidelines Boys:
  - Par 3's 100-190 yards
  - Par 4's 225 - 400 yards
  - Par 5's 425 – 550 yards
  - Total yardage 5800 - 6300
- Yardage Guidelines Girls (Red KJGA Tees):
  - Par 3's 75-165 yards
  - Par 4's 190 - 345 yards
  - Par 5's 350 – 450 yards
  - Total yardage 5400 - 5900

## 15-18 Year Old Division

- Caddies are not allowed.
- Player will be responsible for scoring for their group
- All events will be 18 hole events,
- Yardage Guidelines Boys:
  - Par 3's 105-225 yards
  - Par 4's 250 - 450yards
  - Par 5's 475 – 600 yards
  - Total yardage 6400 -7000
- Yardage Guidelines Girls (Blue KJGA Tees):
  - Par 3's 95-190 yards
  - Par 4's 225 - 400 yards
  - Par 5's 425 – 550 yards
  - Total yardage 5700 - 6200

## POINT SYSTEM

All individual stroke play tournaments on the calendar for the year will be designated as point events. Members will receive points for all points designated events depending on their finishing position in the event. A Player of the Year will be awarded to the top boy and girl point recipient in the 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 & 15-18 age divisions. **The 7&8 year old age division will not award points for any event and will not award a Player of the Year for boys or girls.** We want the focus to be on learning and fun with this age group, not competition.

Points for KJGA & HSJGA events played on Kauai will be awarded as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – 100 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – 85 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 70 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 55 points
- 5<sup>th</sup> – 45 points
- 6<sup>th</sup> – 40 points
- 7<sup>th</sup> – 35 points
- 8<sup>th</sup> – 30 points
- 9<sup>th</sup> – 25 points
- 10<sup>th</sup> – 20 points

All juniors in a points event that complete their round will earn 10 points. Any junior that is disqualified for a rules breach but still completes playing their round will still receive 10 points.

## ***KJGA Player of the Year:***

The association will annually select a boy and girl from the 9-10, 11-12, 13-14 and 15-18 age divisions as “Players of the Year”. This selection will be based on points earned in designated KJGA Tournaments during the season. A junior must be an active KJGA member in good standing to be considered. (See “*Point System*”)

## KJGA REIMBURSEMENT / SUBSIDIES

**Tournament Fees:** In 2026 Juniors will pay a \$10 entry fee cost for each KJGA tournament held at all golf courses. The KJGA will cover all other costs of running the tournament.

**HSJGA Kauai Events:** In 2026 the KJGA will reimburse parents for the entry fees to the 2026 HSJGA events held on the island of Kauai.

Currently on the HSJGA schedule for 2026:

- Kauai Spring Classic @ Wailua May 9 & 10
- Poipu Bay Junior Classic @ Poipu Bay Aug 8 & 9
- Kauai Junior Championship @ Kiahuna Sept 19 & 20

You will need to follow the HSJGA requirements for entry and payment for their tournament. Once the tournament is completed the KJGA will mail out reimbursement checks.

**Drive Chip & Putt:** In 2026 the KJGA will provide a \$500 subsidy to all KJGA members who qualify for a Drive Chip & Putt Regional. The KJGA will provide an additional \$500 subsidy to all KJGA members who qualify for the Drive Chip & Putt National Championship at Augusta National. Members will be required to submit receipts for expenses of \$500 or more for each event to qualify for the subsidy.

**USGA Championships:** In 2026 the KJGA will reimburse the entry fees for all KJGA members who enter a local qualifier for the following USGA Championships:

- US Open
- US Womens' Open
- US Amateur
- US Women's Amateur
- US Junior Amateur
- US Girls Junior

Members will be required to submit a receipt of entry fees to qualify for the subsidy.

In 2026 the KJGA will provide a \$500 subsidy to all KJGA members who qualify for a Regional qualifier (if such qualifier exists for that specific event) for any of the above listed events. The KJGA will provide an additional \$500 subsidy to all KJGA members who qualify for any of the actual above listed events. Members will be required to submit receipts for expenses of \$500 or more for each event to qualify for the subsidy for each event.

## VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES

### FOR PARENTS AND JUNIORS

**Shuttle Drivers & Spotters:** Shuttle drivers and spotters are essential at certain courses to keep play moving smoothly. Most courses require volunteers to have a valid drivers license to operate a golf cart.

**Tournament Assistance:** Every KJGA tournament requires lots of manpower. Volunteers for registration, preparation of score cards and score sheets, scoring table help, posting of scores, shuttle drivers, and much more are needed to run each event. Tournaments are run as structurally as possible to get our juniors prepared for their future participation in statewide and national events.

**Walking Scorers:** Parents should assist at the golf course a minimum of four (4) times during the season. Scorers are needed every weekend during scheduled play. No previous experience is needed to be a scorer. Scorer training will be held during the 'parent orientation' meetings. If there aren't enough scorers to go out with the players, juniors whose parents have previously volunteered will have priority to play. If you don't volunteer and there's a shortage of scorers, your child may not be able to play. Juniors in the 13-18 age groups are also encouraged to be volunteer scorers for the younger age groups.

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

**Do I have to wear a KJGA shirt when I play in KJGA events?** No, it is not required that you wear the KJGA shirt, but you must follow the KJGA Dress Code in order to participate.

**Do I have to take a rules test at each age division?** Yes. Tests differ each year, and all juniors are required to take them each year they move up in age division.

**Do I need to have my own set of clubs to join?** Yes. Every junior must have a set of clubs.

**Can I have a caddie?** If you are in the 7&8 year old division you **MUST** have a caddie and that caddie **has to have gone through the KJGA caddie training**. If you are in the 9-10 year old division you **MAY** have a caddie but that caddie **has to have gone through the KJGA caddie training**. If you are in the 11&12, 13&14 or 15&Up age division you **MAY NOT** have a caddie and are required to carry your own bag or use a pull cart that you push.

**Are spectators allowed?** Yes, as long as the host course allows spectators. Spectators must follow the KJGA Dress Code, walk, stay on the cart path or in the rough and keep up with the group they are following.

**Can my mom or dad give me advice during a tournament round?** No. Parents are not allowed to talk to players during any KJGA round except to give encouragement.

**If I register my child in the program and he decides he doesn't want to play golf, can I get a refund of membership fees?** All refunds of membership fees are subject to a \$10 processing fee.

## STATE AND NATIONAL CONTACTS

<b>Aloha Section PGA</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.aspga.com">www.aspga.com</a>)</i>	808-593-2230
<b>American Junior Golf Association</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.ajga.org">www.ajga.org</a>)</i>	877-373-2542
<b>College Golf Guide</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.collegegolf.com">www.collegegolf.com</a>)</i>	603-817-8941
<b>IMG Academy Junior World Golf Championships</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.juniorworldgolf.com">www.juniorworldgolf.com</a>)</i>	619-280-8112
<b>Hawaii State Golf Association</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.hawaiiategolf.org">www.hawaiiategolf.org</a>)</i>	808-589-2909
<b>Hawaii State Junior Golf Association</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.hsjga.org">www.hsjga.org</a>)</i>	808-532-0559
<b>Hawaii State Women's Golf Association</b> <i>(<a href="http://hswga.squarespace.com">hswga.squarespace.com</a>)</i>	808-589-2046
<b>Optimist International Junior Invitational</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.optimist.org/golf">www.optimist.org/golf</a>)</i>	314-371-6000
<b>PGA Junior Championship</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.juniorchampionship.com/section-championships">www.juniorchampionship.com/section-championships</a>)</i>	561-624-8491
<b>The United States Golf Association</b> <i>(<a href="http://www.usga.org">www.usga.org</a>)</i>	908-234-2300