## GOLF NON-SCHOOL TEAM/INDIVIDUAL PARTICIPATION/AWARDS RULE

**DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR:** Golfers may participate in non-school events during the year, **if allowed by local school policy**. Check with your Athletic Director. In addition, golfers may accept any award or prize limit any amateur golfer is permitted under USGA rules, \$1,000.00---BUT NEVER CASH/MONEY as prescribed under 281-36.14 (3) Awards for participation in non-school programs.

SCHOOL YEAR EXAMPLE: Ben Jones is allowed by his school to play in a four team best ball tournament in late March. Ben is playing with three individuals who are out of school, Ben being the only High School student. Ben's team wins \$400.00. Each of the three out-of-school individuals could accept \$100.00 cash. Ben could receive a gift certificate for \$100.00. Ben should ask the golf course to document what Ben received and have the course sign that document stating he only received a \$100.00 gift certificate and provide a copy of the document to his Athletic Director, so if someone reads/hears about his tournament success, the school has proof of what Ben accepted as a gift certificate. A player could receive up to \$1,000.00 in gift certificates per tournament.

**SUMMER MONTHS EXAMPLE:** Same scenario as above, Ben could receive \$100.00 gift certificate, but should again document his winnings and provide a copy for the Athletic Director. A player could receive up to \$1,000.00 in gift certificates per tournament under the amateur award rule for the USGA.