

# **AGA U.S. Youth Go Championship Qualifier Menlo Park and Oakland, CA May 1-2, 2010**

**Venue:** Rounds 1-3 on Saturday, May 1 will be played at the the Ing Goe Center in Menlo Park, CA at 887 Oak Grove Avenue, Suite 203, Menlo Park 94025. Rounds 4-5 on Sunday, May 2 will be played at the Oakland Asian Cultural Center, 388 Ninth Street, Suite 290, Oakland, CA 94607. (The parking garage entrance is on Franklin Street between 9th and 11th Streets.)

**Tournament Description:** This is a two-day youth championship, one of a group of qualifiers held around the U.S. which will choose finalists for the U.S. Youth Go Championship on KGS June 5-6. The planned tournament format is a six-person round robin including the highest-ranked eligible players. It may also include some strong non-eligible players from the general tournament, depending on the ranks of the players who register. The winner of the finals will represent the U.S. at the World Youth Go Championship.

**Rules:** This event will use AGA rules, even games with a komi of 7.5 and use time parameters of 60 minutes basic time per player and 5 periods of 30 seconds overtime.

**Eligibility:** Participant must be AGA members and remain members until the finals.. They must be U.S. citizens as of April 30, 2010. They must physically reside in the U.S. for at least six of the twelve months prior to May 1, 2010. Participants in the Senior Youth division must have been born between August 1, 1992 and August 1, 1998. Participants in the Junior Youth division must have been born after August 1, 1998. Another way of saying this is the Senior Youth participants must be from 12 to 17 years of age, counting in the Western fashion (born in year zero) as of August 1, 2010, and Junior participants must be under 12 years of age as of August 1, 2010.

Participants may play in another qualifier tournament if they do not win the first one they enter.

**Compensation:** The winner in each division will receive a \$400 scholarship to the AGA Go Camp. Winners and runners-up will also receive cash prizes.

**Note:** Please note that there will be a simultaneous general handicap tournament on Sunday, May 2 for players of all ages being held at the same time as the U.S. Youth Go Championship Qualifier. This is the May ratings tournament of the Bay Area Go Players Association. Both events will be held in the same hall at the Oakland Asian Cultural Center.

<b>:Schedule:</b>	Saturday, May 1 – Menlo Park	Sunday, May 2 – Oakland
	Sign-in: 9 am - 9:30 am	Round 4: 10 am - 12:30 pm
	Round 1: 9:30 - noon	Round 5: 1:30 pm - 4 pm
	Round 2: 1 pm - 3:30	
	Round 3: 3:30 - 6pm	

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**Registration:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ AGA Rank: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Numbers: \_\_\_\_\_

Please answer the following questions:

1. Are you a citizen of the U.S., or will be by April 30, 2010? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Will you be physically residing in the U.S. for at least six of the twelve months prior to May 1, 2010? \_\_\_\_\_
3. Will you be under 18 years of age (senior youth) or under 12 years of age (junior youth) as of August 1, 2010? \_\_\_\_\_

If the answer to any of these questions is no, then you should stop here and apply instead to participate in the Bay Area Go Players Association Spring tournament.

If the answer to all three questions is yes, proceed.

Enclose a check made out to the Bay Area Go Players Association in the amount of \$20. This will be returned to you, or used to register for the handicap tournament if you prefer, if you do not end up to be in the highest-ranked group of applicants as of April 25, 2010.

Mail check and completed application to:

Steve Burrall  
9021 Bridgewater Ct.  
Elk Grove, CA 95624

Applications must be received by April 25, 2010.