# U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Qualifying

Texas Rangers Golf Club | Arlington, TX September 23, 2020



### **QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS**

#### **HOST CLUB**

Texas Rangers Golf Club
701 Brown Blvd.
Arlington, TX 76011
www.arlingtongolf.com/texas-rangers-golf-club

**FACE MASKS/COVERINGS:** Under the current COVID-19 guidelines for the State of Texas, a face mask/covering is required when entering all clubhouse facilities and outside when individuals cannot socially distance. For complete details see TGA COVID-19 Guidelines.

**COVID-19 SELF SCREENING:** All players and caddies will be required to complete a self-screening questionnaire prior to the qualifying. This is required and will be completed at registration before their round. Players/caddies will be asked to digitally sign a form with their phone at the registration tent.

**SCORING/SCORECARDS:** The TGA will not be physically passing out scorecards for the qualifying. A digital scorecard will be emailed out ahead of the qualifying for players to print and bring. Players/caddies are asked to arrive to their respective starting tee 10-12 minutes prior to their starting time. Further instructions will be provided at the players starting tee.

**PAPERWORK:** Per the TGA COVID-19 Guidelines, all paperwork will be distributed electronically ahead of the qualifying. It is the players responsibility to print paperwork ahead of time. Paperwork will be distributed the night before the qualifying round via email and it will also be posted online at txga.org and can be found by clicking here.

**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** 18 Holes of Four-Ball Stroke Play. The field will compete for three (3) qualifying places and TBD alternate positions. 2021 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship to be played April 24-28, 2021 at Maridoe Golf Club in Carrollton, TX.

**STARTING TIMES:** Starting times, pairings and complete results can be found by visiting the Texas Golf Association website at www.txga.org.

**FLAGSTICKS:** Players have the option to remove the flagsticks during play. Foam inserts will be placed in the bottom of each hole to minimize player contact.

**BUNKERS:** Bunker rakes are not permitted due to current public health guidelines and have been removed from the course. After making a stroke from a bunker, players and caddies should attempt to smooth any disturbed areas with their feet and/or a golf club.

Disturbed areas in bunkers are ground under repair from which relief is available from interference to the lie of the ball and the area of intended swing only (see Rule 16.1).

When relief is available, free relief may be taken by dropping and playing a ball from the bunker within one club-length of the nearest point of complete relief (Rule 16.1c(1)), or relief may be taken outside the bunker for one penalty stroke by using the back-on-the-line relief procedure (Rule 16.1c(2)).

A "disturbed area" includes sand in a bunker that has clearly been disturbed by a player, caddie or other person, and includes areas where smoothing has occurred.

**PRACTICE FACILITIES**: All practice facilities will open at 8:00 AM. Players will not be allowed to arrive to the golf course any earlier than one (1) hour prior to their tee time. Players will need to pay for their practice balls before the round. The cost per bucket is \$8.50.

**CADDIES:** Caddies are permitted, but must be provided by the player. A team may share a caddie. **Caddies may use a golf cart to transport clubs**, see transportation details below.

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TRANSPORTATION: Players MUST WALK at all times during the round, but are permitted to use transportation when approved by the Committee (Officials). A cart may be rented at the rate of \$47.00 for your caddie to transport your clubs. See golf shop for details prior to qualifying round. Push/Pull Carts are permitted. If a side brings two caddies and rents a cart, each time there is more than one rider in the cart, all riders must wear a mask in the cart.

SPECTATOR CARTS: Spectators MUST WALK at all times. Spectator carts are not permitted.

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Players may contact golf shop directly at (817) 275-5941 to schedule a practice round. **Practice rounds may ONLY be scheduled 24 hours in advance.** Based on club availability, practice rounds may be scheduled: Monday-Thursday; September 9-22, 2020. **Practice round fee is \$47.00 including cart.** 

**PLAYOFF:** In the event of a tie for the last qualifying places, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff to determine the final qualifiers and the 1st and 2nd alternate if necessary. All announcements regarding the play-off will be made at the scoring area upon completion of the qualifying round.

**FOOTWEAR:** Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: *See Model Local Rule G-7*.

**GROOVES:** The players clubs <u>must conform</u> to the grooves and punch mark specifications in The Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010 (see Model Local Rule G2)

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If during the round a player or caddie uses the device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect their play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.) the player is in breach of **Rule 4.3**, for which the penalty is Two Strokes and for any subsequent offense of **Rule 4.3** – **Disqualification.** 

ONE BALL CONDITION: As a reminder to all players the "One Ball Condition" is in effect for Qualifying. See Model Local Rule G4.

**EVACUATION PLAN:** In the event of a discontinuance of play during the qualifier, players must adhere to the evacuation plan provided in the 'Player Information Packet'.

QUALIFYING ROUND FEES: Fees are included in the USGA championship entry fee.

**GOLF SHOP/LOCKER ROOM/PRACTICE AREAS:** Players will not have access to locker room or clubhouse facilities. Players will have access to the temporary golf shop and snack shop.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE:** In Local and Sectional Qualifying stages and the Championships proper, players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met, and has the authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply. The wearing of short pants is permitted in this Local Qualifier.

**FOOD SERVICE:** Food and beverage will be available for purchase in the temporary snack shop. There will also be a beverage cart going around the course.

#### **OFFICIAL IN CHARGE:**

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#### Arguelles / Harrison

Arguelles, Evelyn I San Antonio, Texas Harrison, Hanna I Carrollton, Texas

#### Barber / Saldana

Barber, Savannah I Fort Worth, Texas Saldana, Alexa I Arlington, Texas

#### Biediger / Shelmire

Biediger, Sophie I Dallas, Texas Shelmire, An I Dallas, Texas

#### Billingsley / Staton

Billingsley, Kerri I Denton, Texas Staton, Joanna I McKinney, Texas

#### Chow / James

Chow, Ashley I Canada James, Katie I Pittsburgh, Pa.

#### Dasch / O'Keefe

Dasch, Caroline I Austin, Texas O'Keefe, Farah I Austin, Texas

#### Delagarza / Smith

Delagarza, Faith I Midland, Texas Smith, Amari I McKinney, Texas

#### Fields / Phung

Fields, Jacee I Fort Worth, Texas Phung, Madison I Frisco, Texas

#### Fields / Gabel

Fields, Avree I Fort Worth, Texas Gabel, Kamri I Highland Village, Texas

#### Fields / Holcomb

Fields, Stalee I Fort Worth, Texas Holcomb, Karlee I Amarillo, Texas

#### Fisher / Moore

Fisher, Ella I Aledo, Texas

Moore, Mackenzie I Trophy Club, Texas

#### Fraser / Tardy

Fraser, Kyle I Fort Worth, Texas Tardy, Camry I Arlington, Texas

#### Garcia / Mitchell

Garcia, Julia I Temple, Texas Mitchell, Olivia I Plano, Texas

#### Hardin / Smith

Hardin, Mina I Ft Worth, Texas Smith, Rachel I Bedford, Texas

#### Honea / Shah

Honea, Ryann I San Angelo, Texas Shah, Symran I Carrollton, Texas

#### Karrh / Pistone

Karrh, Jordan I Frisco, Texas

Pistone, Meagan I Montgomery, Texas

#### Ko / Smith

Ko, Addison I Plano, Texas Smith, Lucy Kate I Prosper, Texas

#### Ko / Xiao

Ko, Ryan I Plano, Texas

Xiao, Cindey I Colleyville, Texas

#### Langer / Patterson

Langer, Marissa I Katy, Texas Patterson, Lindy I McKinney, Texas

#### Le / Saunders

Le, Madison I Arlington, Texas Saunders, Aly I Aledo, Texas

#### Lee / Park

Lee, Summer I Plano, Texas Park, Helen I Plno, Texas

#### Leung / Situmorang

Leung, Torri I Plano, Texas

Situmorang, Aliesa I McKinney, Texas

#### Liu / Zhang

Liu, Ashley I Plano, Texas

Zhang, Yunxuan (Michelle) I Plano, Texas

#### McMahan / Simpson

McMahan, Mabrie I Austin, Texas Simpson, Raleygh I Kerrville, Texas

#### Miller / Saidleman

Miller, Morgan I Cedar Park, Texas Saidleman, Annika I Austin, Texas

#### Quinn / Samp

Quinn, Stephanie I Irving, Texas Samp, Heather I Irving, Texas

#### Racich / Trebbi Tindall

Racich, Carson I Beaumont, Texas

Trebbi Tindall, Alessia I Beaumont, Texas

#### Rios / Welsh

Rios, Lauren I Coppell, Texas Welsh, Jamie I Coppell, Texas

#### Seon / Shim

Seon, Estelle I Carrollton, Texas Shim, Eubin I Waco, Texas

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# **Approxiate Yardages**

The hole numbers and yardages depicted below, as well as those on the Official USGA Scorecard, are indicative of the approximate maximum/minimum yardages for the qualifying. The qualifying round will be contested from these distances, or a location forward of the listed yardage. Note that this yardage will fluctuate based on the proximity and only provides a general estimate.

Front 9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
Par	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	4	5	<i>36</i>	•
Tee	566	357	133	349	366	123	322	383	538	<i>3137</i>	
Post O	l 10	11	12	12	1.4	15	16	17	1.0	/A/	TOTAL
Back 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	/N	TOTAL
Par	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	5	<i>36</i>	72
Tee	343	128	396	496	393	151	306	360	501	<i>3074</i>	6211

Course Rating/Slope: 75.0/128

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#### **USGA PACE OF PLAY POLICY**

#### **Summary**

When a group is out of position at any check-point the players in the group are subject to penalty under the USGA Pace of Play Policy. Players in a group that have missed one or more check-points will be subject to penalty according to the following schedule of penalties pending final determination of whether a breach or breaches of this policy have occurred:

Check-points will be on completion (flagstick in the hole) of the 9th and 18th holes.

1st missed check-point - subject to one (1) penalty stroke

2<sup>nd</sup> missed check-point - subject to additional two (2) penalty strokes; total of three (3) penalty strokes for the round

#### Maximum Allowable Time

Play is in groups of four (4). Each group is allotted 2 hours and 25 minutes to complete holes 1 through 9 and 2 hours and 25 minutes to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (3 minutes for 9 to 10 and 3 minutes for 18 to 1) at a pace in accordance with the time chart below. When a group falls behind – regardless of reason – it must regain its position. Time for ball searches, rulings and walking or shuttle time between holes is included in the allotted time.

#### **Definition of "Out of Position" - Stroke Play**

First Group: The first group (off the 1st and 10th holes) is out of position if they take more than the allotted time to finish a check-point hole; see below check-point time table.

Following Groups: A following group is out of position if they:

- a) take more than the allotted time to finish a check-point hole; and
- b) complete play of a check-point hole more than 14 minutes after the preceding group completed play of that hole.

Time charts outlining the time per hole, including the finish times for the check-point holes are below.

Check-points: Play of the hole must be completed in the following amount of time, groups of four (4):

Check-points:	1 st / 2nd
Hole 1 Start	2:18 / 4:45 total

#### **Group Out of Position**

When a group is out of position at a check-point, they will be notified by a member of the Rules Committee. When a group has been notified of a missed check-point, that group is expected to regain its position before reaching the next check-point. If that group reaches the next check-point out of position, each player in the group may incur the applicable penalty for a breach of this policy. Any group that is out of position may be monitored by a member of the Rules Committee.

A player concerned about a non-responsive (slow) player in their group, who is delaying play, may request a Rules Committee member to monitor the group in case the group is or becomes liable to penalty under these guidelines.

#### Final Determination Regarding Break and Review Process

Before returning their scorecard, a player who is subject to penalty during their round may consult with the Rules Committee to determine if they have incurred a penalty under this policy. The Rules Committee will determine that a player who has been found to be out of position is not in breach of this policy only if:

- a) the player was delayed by the Rules Committee; or
- b) the player was delayed by a circumstance beyond the control of the player of their group; or
- c) the player was delayed by another player in the group.

A player who was out of position during their round and who elects not to consult with the Rules Committee to determine whether they were in breach of this policy is deemed to be in breach of this policy and incurs a penalty or penalties according to the above schedule of penalties. If a player or group incurs a penalty or penalties, they are applied to the check-point hole(s) where the breach occurred.

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#### **EVACUATION PLAN: STOPPING AND RESUMING PLAY**

#### **Stopping and Resuming Play**

An immediate suspension will be signaled by one prolonged airhorn note. All other types of suspension will be signaled by three consecutive airhorn notes. Resumption of play will be signaled by two short airhorn notes.

- Immediate Suspension (Imminent Danger): One prolonged airhorn note. All players must stop play at once and must not make another stroke until the Committee Resumes Play. See Rule 5.7b(1).
- **Normal Suspension (Darkness or Unplayable Course Conditions):** Three consecutive airhorn notes. If all players in the group are between two holes, they must stop play and must not make a stroke to begin another hole until the Committee resumes play. If any player in the group has started a hole, the players may choose either stop play or to play out the hole. See Rule 5.7b(2).
- **Resuming Play:** Two short airhorn notes. See Rule 5.7c.

Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule J-1. **Penalty for Breach of Rule 5.7b and Rule 5.7c – Disqualification** 

#### **Practice Areas**

- Immediate Suspension (Dangerous Situation): All practice facilities are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing may result in disqualification.
- Normal Suspension: Players may practice as the Committee provides.

#### **Evacuation Procedure**

- Immediate Suspension (Dangerous Situation): Players <u>must</u> immediately evacuate to the listed locations.
- Normal Suspensions: Unless otherwise instructed by the Committee, players are to proceed to the listed locations.

#### Where to Evacuate and Pick-Up Areas

Hole 1: temporary clubhouse	Hole 10: temporary clubhouse
Hole 2: temporary clubhouse	Hole 11: temporary clubhouse
Hole 3: temporary clubhouse	Hole 12: temporary clubhouse
Hole 4: temporary clubhouse	Hole 13: temporary clubhouse
Hole 5: temporary clubhouse	Hole 14: temporary clubhouse
Hole 6: temporary clubhouse	Hole 15: temporary clubhouse
Hole 7: temporary clubhouse	Hole 16: temporary clubhouse
Hole 8: temporary clubhouse	Hole 17: temporary clubhouse
Hole 9: temporary clubhouse	Hole 18: temporary clubhouse

- Other on Course Shelters and Restrooms: Hole 8 tee and Hole 13 green.
- Clubhouse Evacuation Rooms: Areas designated by the Committee.



# Local Rules and Terms of the Competition

## FOR 2020 USGA CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A Rules Limited govern play. These Local Rules and Terms of the Competition are in effect at all USGA championships and qualifying rounds. See applicable championship or qualifying round Notice to Players and Entry Application for modifications or additions to these Local Rules and Terms of the Competition. Complete text of the Rules and Local Rules may be found in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, effective January 2019.

## Unless otherwise noted, the penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

**Out of Bounds** — Defined by the line between the course-side points of white stakes and fence posts at ground level.

**Penalty Areas** — When a penalty area is defined on only one side, it extends to infinity. When a penalty area is connected to the out-of-bounds edge, the penalty area extends to and coincides with out of bounds.

**Ground Under Repair** — Defined by white lines. French drains are ground under repair. For grass-covered trenching, see Temporary Power Lines and Cables.

Ground under repair may include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic has combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when so declared by an authorized member of the Committee. When immediately adjacent to an immovable obstruction, such an area is part of that obstruction.

**Relief from Seams of Cut Turf** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-7.

**Immovable Obstructions** — Include plastic bumpers on roads and paths, and mats secured to the ground with spikes when the bumpers or mats cover cables.

#### White-Lined Areas Tying Into Artificially Surfaced Roads and Paths

— White-lined areas of ground under repair and the artificially surfaced roads, paths or other identified obstructions that they are connected to are a single abnormal course condition when taking relief under Rule 16.1.

Wood Chips and Mulch — Are loose impediments.

**Integral Objects** — Include cables, rods, wires and wrappings when closely attached to trees, and artificial walls and pilings when located in penalty areas and bunkers, and bunker liners.

An exposed bunker liner may be treated as ground under repair, but interference does not exist if the liner interferes with only the player's stance.

**Temporary Power Lines and Cables** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-22

**Temporary Immovable Obstructions** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule F-23.

**List of Conforming Driver Heads** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-1.

**Groove and Punch Mark Specifications** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect, except as modified by the applicable championship Entry Application. Model Local Rule G-2.

**List of Conforming Golf Balls** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-3.

One Ball Rule — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-4.

**Broken or Significantly Damaged Club** — Local Rule as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect. Model Local Rule G-9.

**Back-On-the-Line Relief** — Local Rule as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect. Model Local Rule E-12.

**Pace of Play** — See separate memorandum to players for pace of play policy, when applicable.

**Stopping and Resuming Play** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule J-1.

All practice areas are closed during an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to stop practicing; failure to stop practicing might result in disqualification.

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**Practice** — Prior to and after a round in stroke play, a player may practice on the designated practice areas. Rule 5.2b covering practice in stroke play is modified in this way: A player may not practice on the competition course before or between rounds. Penalty for breach of Local Rule, see Rule 5.2.

**Prohibiting Use of Motorized Transportation** — Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-6.

When Competition Is Final— The competition is final when the trophy has been presented to the winner or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee.