

## 2021 U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Qualifying - Houston

Magnolia Creek Golf Club (England-Scotland) | League City, TX

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in association with  
**USGA**

### NOTICE TO PLAYERS

Play is governed by the 2019 Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and R&A, its Clarifications, 2020 United States Golf Association Local Rules and Terms of the Competition ('Hard Card') and where applicable, the following Local Rules. All Local Rules listed Magnolia Creek GC scorecards, notice boards or posted on the course are **NOT** in effect for this qualifying. Unless otherwise noted, penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty.

1. **Format:** The qualifying is scheduled for 18 holes of four-ball stroke play; **two (2) qualifying spots** and **two (2) alternate positions**.
2. **Tees:** All play will be contested from the blue rectangular USGA tee markers.
3. **Automotive Transportation:** Players **MUST** walk at all times during the qualifying round. However, a cart may be rented from the club for the caddie to transport clubs. One (1) cart per team (side) maximum. Spectator carts are **NOT** permitted for USGA qualifying. Spectators **MUST** walk at all times.
4. **Procedures for Ties:** Should there be a tie for the last qualifying spot and/or alternate position, the tie will be broken by a sudden death playoff after all scores have been officially approved and posted. The playoff will begin immediately after all scores have been approved and posted. There will be no playoff for qualifying medalist. Playoff announcements will be made at the scoring area.
5. **Scoring:** The score to count on each hole **MUST** be individually identifiable. Scorecards must be attested and returned immediately after completing your round to the designated USGA scoring area, which is located adjacent to scoreboard. The scoring area is defined as within the roped area surrounding the tent. The scorecard is considered returned when the player has left the designated scoring area.
6. **Out of Bounds:** In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts, Out of Bounds is also defined by; the course-side edge, at ground level, of:
  - White lines and white dots;
  - Inside edge/curbing (golf course side) of all paved roads and parking lots;
  - Driving range as defined by white stakes between holes 9 and 10.

**Note:** A ball that crosses a roadway defined as a boundary and comes to rest beyond that boundary is deemed to be out of bounds even if it lies on another part of the course.
7. **Internal Out of Bounds – Hole 4 (England) Only:** The right side of the cart path that is between holes 4 and 5 (England) will serve as the boundary line during the play of hole 4 ONLY. A ball that comes to rest on the cart path or left of it when playing hole 4 is Out of Bounds. The boundary will begin at the green of hole 5 and continue the length of the cart path and to the hole 5 sign at the tee. Any ball that goes left of the cart path during the play of hole 5 is in play.
8. **Obstructions:** The following are deemed to be obstructions for which relief will be available without penalty under Rule 16.1b:
  - Decorative stones adjacent to paths;
  - Artificially surfaced pathways;
  - On-course restrooms adjacent to cart paths on holes 5 and 13;
  - Wooden steps leading into bunkers;
  - White and red stakes adjacent to elevated sprinklers located in the native areas.
9. **Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green:** Model Local Rule F-5 is in effect and is modified as follows: For a ball in the general area, relief is allowed only when both the ball and the immovable obstruction lie in an area cut to fairway height or less, the immovable obstruction may be on the putting green.
10. **Non-Burrowing Animal Damage:** In the general area, areas of damage made by a non-burrowing animal (hog, armadillo, skunk, etc.) are treated to be Ground Under Repair. Relief without penalty is provided under Rule 16.1b.
11. **Practice Areas:** The practice green located behind holes 1 and 9 is a *wrong green* even when not in use and relief must be taken under Rule 13.1f.
12. **Doubts as to Procedure:** A player who is uncertain about the right procedure while playing a hole may complete the hole with two balls under Rule 20.1c(3).
13. **Pace of Play:** Play should be played at a prompt pace under Rule 5.6b. The established Pace of Play for Magnolia Creek GC is **4:37** for 18 holes. The time to complete each hole is printed on the scorecard. See the Player Packet for USGA Pace of Play Policy.

**Qualifying Spots: 2 | Alternate Positions: 2**