

U.S. MID-AMTEUR QUALIFYING

THE CLUBS OF KINGWOOD (FOREST COURSE) | KINGWOOD, TX
AUGUST 23, 2021



NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

1. **FORMAT:** USGA RULES WILL GOVERN ALL PLAY, INCLUDING EQUIPMENT. 18 HOLES OF STROKE PLAY COMPETITION TO DETERMINE THE 5 AVAILABLE SPOTS AND 2 RANKED ALTERNATE POSITIONS.
2. **ONE BALL CONDITION:** LOCAL RULE AS PRESCRIBED IN SECTION 8 OF THE COMMITTEE PROCEDURES IS IN EFFECT. MODEL LOCAL RULE G-4.
3. **TIES:** THE LAST QUALIFYING POSITION OR AN ALTERNATE POSITION SHALL BE DECIDED BY A HOLE-BY-HOLE PLAYOFF IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE LAST SCORE HAS BEEN POSTED. ANNOUNCEMENTS WILL BE MADE AT THE SCORING AREA.
4. **SCORING:** SCORECARDS MUST BE ATTESTED AND RETURNED IMMEDIATELY AFTER COMPLETING YOUR ROUND TO THE DESIGNATED SCORING AREA BEHIND THE 9TH GREEN.
5. **TRANSPORTATION:** CARTS WILL BE AVAILABLE TO RENT FOR **CADDIE USE ONLY**. **PLAYERS ARE STILL REQUIRED TO WALK AT ALL TIMES** FOR THE DURATION OF THE ROUND, BUT THEIR CLUBS MAY BE TRANSPORTED BY THEIR CADDIE USING A CART. THERE IS A MAX TWO (2) CART PER GROUP POLICY. **SPECTATOR CARTS ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
6. **TEES:** PLAYERS WILL BEGIN PLAY AT EACH HOLE FROM THE **USGA** TEE MARKERS.
7. DURING QUALIFYING ROUNDS, **ELECTRONIC-DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES TO MEASURE DISTANCE ONLY IS ALLOWED.**

RULES OF PLAY

THIS INFORMATION SUPPLEMENTS THE USGA LOCAL RULES AND CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION – USGA “HARD CARD”. DISREGARD ANY LOCAL RULES FOUND ON COURSE SCORECARD OR SIGNS POSTED FOR REGULAR PLAY.

1. **OUT OF BOUNDS:** DEFINED BY WHITE STAKES, DOTS OR LINES, THE INSIDE EDGE OF PERIMETER FENCE POSTS. IN AREAS WHERE THERE ARE BOTH FENCE AND BRICK COLUMNS, THE INSIDE EDGE OF THE COLUMNS WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE OUT OF BOUNDS. INSIDE EDGE/CURBING (GOLF COURSE SIDE) OF PARKING LOTS/PUBLIC ROADWAYS. DRIVING RANGE TO THE RIGHT OF HOLE 18 IDENTIFIED BY POLES WITH NETTING AND OUTSIDE EDGE OF MAINTENANCE ROAD BEHIND HOLE #18 GREEN.
2. **OBSTRUCTIONS:** THE FOLLOWING ARE DEEMED TO BE OBSTRUCTIONS, RELIEF WITHOUT PENALTY IS AVAILABLE UNDER RULE 16.1: CONCRETE DRAINS, RESTROOMS, HOLE SIGNS ADJACENT TO CART PATHS, AND DECORATIVE ROCK FORMATIONS.
3. **GROUND UNDER REPAIR:** FLOWER BEDS COMPLETELY ENCIRCLED BY DECORATIVE STONES IN THE GENERAL AREA ARE **GUR** AND RELIEF IS **MANDATORY**.
4. **DESIGNATED PRACTICE AREAS:** THE PRACTICE PUTTING GREEN LOCATED ADJACENT TO HOLE 1 IS A DESIGNATED PRACTICE AREA ON THE GOLF COURSE. THIS PUTTING GREEN IS DEEMED TO BE A WRONG GREEN FROM WHICH RELIEF IS **MANDATORY** UNDER RULE 13.1F.
5. **DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE:** IF IN DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE AND AN OFFICIAL IS NOT AVAILABLE, TO AVOID DELAY, PLAYERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO PLAY A SECOND BALL IN ACCORDANCE WITH RULE 20.1C. THE PLAYER MUST REPORT THE FACTS TO THE COMMITTEE BEFORE RETURNING HIS SCORECARD OR HE WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.
6. **PACE OF PLAY:** THE PACE OF PLAY FOR THE FOREST COURSE IS 4:32 FOR 18 HOLES. YOUR SCORECARD WILL SHOW THE TIME WHEN EACH HOLE SHOULD BE COMPLETED. THE OFFICIAL CHECKPOINTS WILL BE AT THE COMPLETION OF HOLES #9 AND #18. FIRST MISSED CHECKPOINT SUBJECT TO 1 PENALTY STROKE, SECOND MISSED CHECKPOINT SUBJECT TO 2 PENALTY STROKES, TOTAL OF 3 PENALTY STROKES FOR THE ROUND. A PLAYER CONCERNED ABOUT A SLOW PLAYER IN THEIR GROUP, MAY REQUEST A RULES OFFICIAL TO MONITOR THE GROUP IN CASE THE GROUP IS OR BECOMES LIABLE TO PENALTY UNDER THE PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES.