### U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Qualifying Northgate Country Club | Houston, TX June 30, 2022



#### **QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS**

#### **HOST CLUB**

Northgate Country Club 17110 Northgate Forest Dr. Houston, TX 77068 https://northgatecountryclub.com

**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** 18 Holes of Individual Stroke Play. The field of 13 players will compete for three (3) qualifying places and two (2) alternate positions in the 2022 U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship to be played July 30 to August 4, 2022, at Anchorage Golf Course.

**CHECK-IN:** Upon arrival, please proceed to Check-in Tent to receive Hole Location Sheet, Players Notice, Pace of Play Guidelines, Evacuation Plan, etc.

**STARTING TIMES:** Player Information will be released on Friday June 10<sup>th</sup>. Pairings and Starting times will be released on Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. Starting times, pairings and complete results can be found by visiting the Texas Golf Association website at www.txga.org.

PRACTICE RANGE: Opens at 7:00 am.

**CADDIES:** Caddies are permitted but must be provided by the player. **Caddies may use a golf cart** under the One Seat Policy, see transportation details below.

**TRANSPORTATION:** During the stipulated round, the **USGA One Seat Policy** will be in effect. This means that either the Player or her Caddie may ride in a golf cart (whether Player's cart or another player's cart) but both cannot ride at the same time. Continued intentional disregard for this policy may result in **DISQUALIFICATION**. The full details of this policy are available on the Tournament Policies and Procedures on the Texas Golf Association website. Push/Pull Carts (including motorized push carts) are allowed.

**SPECTATOR CARTS**: Spectator carts are not permitted.

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Please contact Pro Shop to schedule tee times Northgate Country Club: (281) 444-5302. Players playing a practice round will pay a practice round green fee of \$20 directly to the host club. Practice round green fee includes range ball but does not include cart fee. Players are limited to only one round at the discounted rate.

**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 public scoreboard 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: **DISQUALIFICATION**.

**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 in the USGA Committee Procedures.

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

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ONE BALL CONDITION: As a reminder to all players the "One Ball Condition" is in effect for Qualifying, see Model Local Rule G4 in the **USGA** Committee Procedures.

EVACUATION PLAN: In the event of a discontinuance of play during the qualifier, players must adhere to the evacuation plan distributed by the Committee as part of this package.

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

GOLF SHOP/LOCKER ROOM/PRACTICE AREAS: Players will have access to the Clubhouse and Practice Areas.

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 at will be limited at Northgate Country Club.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS: There are a number of hotels available nearby in the North Houston area.

**OFFICIAL IN CHARGE:** 

**AJ Cortez** (713) 201-7818 Ajc75@aol.com



# Field List

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<u>Name</u>

Alexander, Lecia Crumley, Kathy Gilkeson, Cindy Harrison, Julie Henry, Leslie Lang, Stephanie Nittoli, Kelley Penick, Lee Ann Ramirez, Claudia Randall, Alice Robichaux, Julie

Sedillo, Delene

Staffa, April

City, State or Country

Stafford, Texas
San Antonio, Texas
Sugarland, Texas
Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Houston, Texas
Fort Worth, Texas
San Antonio, Texas
Austin, Texas
San Antonio, Texas
Houston, Texas
Kingwood, Texas
League City, Texas

La Porte, Texas

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#### **APPROXIMATE YARDAGES**

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

	Northgate CC										
Front 9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
Par	5	4	4	3	4	4	4	3	5	36	
Tee	501	344	321	120	347	352	281	150	481	2897	
Back 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Par	5	3	4	4	4	3	4	3	5	35	71
Tee	460	157	290	303	344	148	292	141	454	2589	5486

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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 has 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 three (3). Each group is allotted 2 hours and 16 minutes to complete holes 1 through 9 and 2 hours and 15 minutes to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (2 minutes for 9 to 10; and 5 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 three (3):

Check-points:	1 st / 2nd					
Hole 1 Start	2:16 / 4:33 total					
Hole 10 Start	2:15 / 4:36 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**

- Since many of the players will be riding in carts they are to evacuate to the Clubhouse. Players with cart should provide rides for any players who may be walking. Any walkers without immediate rides should walk toward the clubhouse and they will be picked up by Rules Officials or host club staff.
- Immediate Suspension (Dangerous Situation): Players <u>must</u> immediately evacuate to the clubhouse.
- Normal Suspensions: Unless otherwise instructed by the Committee, players are to proceed to the clubhouse.

#### **Other Notes:**

- The USGA One Seat Policy is not in effect once play has been suspended.
- Other on Course Shelters and Restrooms: n/a
- Clubhouse Evacuation Rooms: or other Main dining room areas designated by the Committee.



## Local Rules and Terms of the Competition

#### FOR 2022 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 groundlevel.

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

**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 or in or adjacent to bunkers, and bunker liners.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Limiting When Stroke Made From Putting Green Must Be Replayed Under Exception 2 to Rule 11.1b — Model Local Rule D-7 as prescribed in the Clarifications to the 2019 Rules of Golf is in effect.

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

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

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.

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.

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

**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.