

## QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS

### **HOST CLUB**

Walden on Lake Conroe  
13101 Walden Rd.  
Montgomery, TX 77356  
Golf Pro Shop: (936) 448-6448

**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** 18 Holes of Four-Ball stroke play qualifying. Teams will be competing for one (1) qualifying spot and two (2) alternate positions. Successful qualifiers will be advancing to the 8<sup>th</sup> U.S. Women's Amateur Four-Ball Championship to be played May 13-17, 2023 at The Home Course, in DuPont, Washington.

**Qualifying Registration:** There is no official on-site registration required. It is asked that players arrive to their respective starting tee 8-10 minutes prior their starting time to receive additional information from the starter.

**STARTING TIMES:** Starting times and pairings will be released on Thursday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Starting times, pairings and complete results can be found by visiting the Texas Golf Association website at [www.txga.org](http://www.txga.org).

**PRACTICE FACILITIES:** Practice facilities will open at sunrise, approximately 7:00 am.

**CADDIES:** Caddies are permitted and must be provided by the player. Caddies may walk or ride during the qualifying round.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Players must walk at all times during the qualifying round, unless authorized by a Rules Committee member. A push/pull cart may be used to transport clubs. Caddies will also have the option to rent a golf cart and ride during the qualifying. The cart rental fee for caddies wishing to ride is \$25.00+tax.

**SPECTATOR CARTS:** Spectator carts are not permitted. Spectators must walk at all times.

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Players may contact the golf shop directly at (936) 448-4668 to schedule a practice round. **Practice round green fee is \$20.00+tax. Additional \$11.00+tax cart fee for players wishing to ride.**

**PLAYOFF:** In the event of a tie for the last qualifying places, ties for qualifying spots and alternate positions will be decided by a sudden death, hole-by-hole, playoff immediately after all scores have been verified. It is the players responsibility to be present if a playoff is needed.

**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 **must conform** to the grooves and punch mark specifications in The Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010. *See Model Local Rule G2 for details.*

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Under Rule 4.3a, Distance Measuring Devices (DMD) are permitted at all USGA qualifying events, including Opens. DMDs may be used to measure distance only, all other functions must be turned off. If during the round a player or their caddie uses the device to gauge or measure other conditions that might effect 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 for details.*

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

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

**GOLF SHOP/LOCKER ROOM/PRACTICE AREAS:** Players will have access to all amenities. Players are required to fully comply with all club policies.

**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. Players may wear shorts or long pants at qualifying.

**FOOD SERVICE:** Food Service's will begin at 8:00 AM with options being limited to grab & go food.

**LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS:** There are a number of hotels available nearby in the Montgomery area.

**TGA/USGA Official-in-Charge:**

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State, Or Country</u>
Allen, Sayers	Spring Branch, Texas
Allison, Rylie	Flower Mound, Texas
Angosta, Kirstin	Coppell, Texas
Arts, Jordyn	Trophy Club, Texas
Bastidas, Sofia	Venezuela
Cantu Chavez, Casandra	Mexico
Cantu Chavez, Regina	Mexico
Carter, Isabella	Pearland, Texas
Do, Jasmine	Cypress, Texas
Ellestad, Sophia	Houston, Texas
Evans, Lauren	Houston, Texas
Frei, Grace	Frisco, Texas
Grabow, Kristin	San Antonio, Texas
Habib, Katelyn	Corpus Christi, Texas
Hao, Wenyue Sonia	Dallas, Texas
Karrh, Jordan	Frisco, Texas
Mcdonough, Brooke	Spicewood, Texas
Mitchell, Olivia	Plano, Texas
Palmeros, Daniela	Jersey Village, Texas
Qian, Yetong Alicia	Peoples Republic Of China
Stick, Charlotte	The Woodlands, Texas
Ude, Madison	Keller, Texas
Wright, Darcy	Houston, Texas

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## Approximate 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. Throughout the qualifying, play will be contested from the white rectangular USGA tee markers.

### Walden on Lake Conroe (77.6 / 143)

Front 9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	OUT	
Par	4	5	4	3	4	3	4	4	5	36	
Tee	443	468	321	156	348	168	383	380	466	3133	
Back 9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	IN	TOTAL
Par	5	5	3	4	3	4	5	3	4	36	72
Tee	501	565	131	369	156	375	479	146	393	3115	6248

## **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 9<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> holes.

1<sup>st</sup> 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 14 minutes** to complete holes 1 through 9 and **2 hours and 15 minutes** to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (**3 minutes** for 9 to 10) 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> (hole 9) / 2 <sup>nd</sup> (hole 18)
Hole 1 Start	2:14 / 4:32 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 or 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.

## 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 must 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: Clubhouse	Hole 10: Clubhouse
Hole 2: Clubhouse	Hole 11: Clubhouse
Hole 3: Clubhouse	Hole 12: Clubhouse
Hole 4: Clubhouse	Hole 13: Clubhouse
Hole 5: Clubhouse	Hole 14: Clubhouse
Hole 6: Clubhouse	Hole 15: Clubhouse
Hole 7: Clubhouse	Hole 16: Clubhouse
Hole 8: Clubhouse	Hole 17: Clubhouse
Hole 9: Clubhouse	Hole 18: Clubhouse



# 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 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** — 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.