

# QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS

## **HOST CLUB**

Golfcrest Country Club 2509 Country Club Dr. Pearland, TX 77581 www.golfcrestcountryclub.com

**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** 18 Holes of Individual Stroke Play. The field will compete for three qualifying places and two alternate positions in the 2023 U.S. Senior Open to be played June 29-July 2, 2023, at SentryWorld in Stevens Point, Wisconsin.

**CHECK-IN:** Check-in at your starting tee no later than 10 minutes prior to your stating time to receive Hole Location Sheet, Players Notice, Pace of Play Guidelines, Evacuation Plan, etc.

**STARTING TIMES:** Pairings and Starting times will be released on Thursday, May 11 by 5:00 PM. Starting times, pairings and complete results can be found by visiting the Texas Golf Association website at <a href="https://www.txga.org">www.txga.org</a>.

PRACTICE RANGE: Practice facilities will open at 6:30 AM.

CADDIES: Caddies are permitted, but must be provided by the player. Caddies MUST walk at all times, see transportation details below.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Players & Caddies **MUST WALK** at all times during the stipulated round but are permitted to use transportation when furnished by the Committee (Officials and Shuttles). Push/Pull Carts are allowed.

**SPECTATOR CARTS**: Spectator carts **ARE NOT** permitted.

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** There are two blocks of tee times set aside for practice rounds: Saturday, May 13 from 3:30-4:30 PM and Sunday, May 14 from 2:30-4:30 PM. To schedule during these blocks, contact the club no sooner than 7 days prior to the tee time. Other times are at the discretion of the Club and also cannot be made earlier than 7 days prior to the tee time. Golfcrest CC pro shop (281) 485-4323. Practice round green fee is \$20 and includes range balls. Carts are NOT included. Players are limited to one practice 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. See penalty statement for breach of this condition in Rule 4.3.

**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). Except that the exception in the MLR does not apply.

**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 his 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.** 

**EVACUATION PLAN:** In the event of a discontinuance of play during the qualifier, players must adhere to the evacuation plan distributed by the Committee at the tee.

**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 will be limited at Golfcrest CC. The locker room will open at 7:00 AM.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS: There are a number of hotels available nearby along the I45 corridor at West Bay Area Blvd.

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

Rick Turner (713) 851-7508 rickturner@mail.com



# Field List

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### **Name**

Achilles, Jerry (a) Alexa, Kurt (a) Alvarez, Michael T (a) Andrews, Erik (a) Armour Iii, Tommy Aubrey, Emlyn Bell, James (a) Belzer, Tony (a)

Bly, Steven Bogar, Eric Braniff, John (a) Brown, Daniel (a) Byrum, Tom Caldwell, Ray Caliva, Todd (a) Cashman, Kevin (a)

Chain, Tommy Chamberlain, Patrick Coburn, Kirk (a) Cocchia, Victor (a) Cooper, Bob (a) Davidson, Bruce Degrate, Dante Del Olmo, Pablo Dillen, Kevin

Donegan, Chad Fertitta, Jason (a) Findley, Brett (a) Finnerty, Ron (a) Fleming, Tim Furtick, Dale Fuston, Darrell Gabbert, Billy (a) Garcia, Jesus Gardner, Jeffrey Gee, Alain (a) Gilley, Steve

Gonzales, Danny Gonzales, Louis Gray, Rob (a) Green, Chris

Greenwood, Cameron (a)

Grever, Carlo Griffin, Justin (a) Gullion, Joseph (a) Gushanas, Timothy (a)

Hardy, Kiley (a) Hjelm, Bryan (a) Howard, Craig Hunter, Jeffrey Hydorn, Andy (a)

# City, State or Country

Georgetown, Texas Houston, Texas San Antonio, Texas Houston, Texas Las Vegas, Nevada Bossier City, Louisiana The Woodlands, Texas Richardson, Texas San Antonio, Texas Houston, Texas Houston, Texas Pearland, Texas San Antonio, Texas San Antonio, Texas Pearland, Texas Montgomery, Texas Huntsville, Texas Georgetown, Texas Houston, Texas Alamo Heights, Texas

Scotland Houston, Texas

Monroe, Louisiana

Mexico Paris, Texas Seguin, Texas Houston, Texas Austin, Texas San Antonio, Texas Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Burleson, Texas Humble, Texas Sulphur, Louisiana Alice, Texas Fort Worth, Texas

Kilgore, Texas Aubrey, Texas Round Rock, Texas Kingwood, Texas Katy, Texas Arlington, Texas Houston, Texas San Antonio, Texas Houston, Texas The Woodlands, Texas

Manvel, Texas Spring Branch, Texas Austin, Texas Wray, Colorado

Kerrville, Texas

Houston, Texas

### **Name**

Jennings, Charles Jeon, Anki (a) Jerome, Kyle Jurgensen, Steve Kanada, Craig Kern, Joe Lance, Randy (a) Lane, Luke

Lawrence, David (a) Leal, Victor Leiss, David (a) Lenton, David Lippert, Robert (a) Lorio, Duane Maclellan, Robert Martin, John Martin, Kurt (a) Martinez, Albert (a) Massengale, Donnie

Mattiace, Len Mccaffrey, Mike Mcwilliams, Rip (a) Mitchell, David (a) Morris, Eric Narveson, Dave Olivares, Antonio Orbin, Justin Ouellette, Ryan Petry, David Pierce, John (a)

Piper, William Marshall (a)

Price, Rob (a) Proctor, Martyn Quienalty, Doug (a) Rabe, Haja

Raiford, Daniel Rangel, Rene Renwick, Steven Risinger, Jimmy Robbins, Jack (a) Rodriguez, Anthony Rowell, Brian Rudd Jr, Charles Schroeder, Ron Seabranch, Barry (a) Senden, John Sheldon, Scott Shields, Rob

Shock, William (a) Simpkin, Stephen (a)

Sitton, Billy

Kemah, Texas Austin, Texas Cedar Park, Texas Pearland, Texas The Woodlands, Texas Vero Beach, Florida The Woodlands, Texas Fort Worth, Texas The Woodlands, Texas

City, State or Country

Houston, Texas San Antonio, Texas Copperas Cove. Texas Luling, Louisiana Houston, Texas Pearland, Texas Houston, Texas

Tomball, Texas

Buda, Texas Conroe, Texas

Atlantic Beach, Florida

Houston, Texas Austin, Texas Houston, Texas Brock, Texas Simonton, Texas Venezuela

Point Venture, Texas Pflugerville, Texas Spring Branch, Texas San Antonio, Texas Cypress, Texas Montgomery, Texas

Wales

Lake Charles, Louisiana

Houston, Texas Carrollton, Texas Pearland, Texas Houston, Texas San Antonio, Texas Houston, Texas San Antonio, Texas Broussard, Louisiana Kingwood, Texas Conroe, Texas Houston, Texas

Australia

League City, Texas Tyler, Texas Houston, Texas Austin, Texas Houston, Texas



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Skorheim, Bill (a) Smith, Jeffrey Standly, Mike Strong, Jeff Stuart, Jeb

Talamantes, Arturo

Taylor, Ty

Tibbitts, Scott (a)
Tipton, Taylor (a)
Todd, Richard
Tucker, Tommy (a)
Tyner, Tray (a)
Underly, Dave
Uresti, Omar

Vandenberg, Kevin (a) Von Hoffmann, David

Walbert, Bill
Wallace, Stuart (a)
Waltrip, Scott (a)
Weir, Benjamin
Weiss, Jay (a)
White, James (a)
Wilkinson, Trey (a)
Wilson, Brian
Wilson, Mike (a)

Wisdom, Toby Wood, Willie Wylie, Mac Zernial, Matt (a) Zyroll, Tate City, State or Country

Spring, Texas
Spring Branch, Texas
League City, Texas
Kingwood, Texas
Mckinney, Texas
Pearland, Texas
Houston, Texas
Huffman, Texas
Houston, Texas

Canada

San Antonio, Texas Kerrville, Texas Mckinney, Texas Austin, Texas Pulaski, New York Spicewood, Texas San Antonio, Texas Houston, Texas Montgomery, Texas Mesa, Arizona The Woodlands, Texas

San Angelo, Texas Houston, Texas Ft Worth, Texas Houston, Texas Lake Jackson, Tx, Texas Edmond, Oklahoma

Edmond, Oklahoma Boerne, Texas Houston, Texas Houma, Louisiana Name City, State or Country



# 2023 U.S. Senior Open I Golfcrest CC

Course Listing: Hole by Hole



# 23 USSRO

Slope / Rating: 74.3 / 136

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
Par	5	4	5	4	3	4	4	3	4	36
Yardage	530	400	550	390	180	460	430	220	390	3550
Pace of Play	18	16	17	15	13	16	15	13	15	02:18
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In
Hole Par	10 5	<b>11</b> 4	12 3	13 4	<b>14</b> 5	15 4	16 3	17 4	18 4	In 36
Par	5	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	4	36

Total

72

7095



# **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 18 minutes to complete holes 1 through 9 and 2 hours and 18 minutes to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (5 minutes for 9 to 10 & 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	2:18 / 4:41 total				
Hole 10 Start	2:18 / 4:41 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.



# 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

Evac #1 Restroom Area adjacent to Hole 5 Tee (Carts stationed for transportation to Clubhouse) Evac #2 Restroom Area Adjacent to Hole 12 Tee (Carts stationed for transportation to Clubhouse)

Hole 1: Clubhouse Hole 10: Clubhouse

Hole 2: Tee/Fwy Clubhouse; Grn Evac 1 Hole 11: Tee/Fwy Clubhouse; Grn Evac 2

Hole 3: Evac 1 Hole 12: Evac 2
Hole 4: Evac 1 Hole 13: Evac 2
Hole 5: Evac 1 Hole 14: Evac 2

Hole 6: Tee/Fwy Clubhouse; Grn Evac 1 Hole 15: Grn Clubhouse; Tee/Fwy Evac 2

Hole 7: Fwy/Grn Clubhouse; Tee Evac 1 Hole 16: Clubhouse
Hole 8: Clubhouse Hole 17: Clubhouse
Hole 9: Clubhouse Hole 18: Clubhouse

• Clubhouse Evacuation Rooms: Pro Shop, Main dining Room and Locker Room or other areas designated by the Committee.



# Local Rules and Terms of the Competition

# FOR 2023 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 2023.

## 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 objects when closely attached to trees and boundary objects, 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.

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

Missing Player or Marker Certification — Model Local Rule L-1 as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures 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.

**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.