

U.S. Senior Amateur Qualifying  
Firewheel Golf Park | Garland, TX  
July 31, 2023



in association with



## QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS

### HOST CLUB

Firewheel Golf Park  
600 W. Campbell Rd.  
Garland, TX 75044  
[www.golffirewheel.com](http://www.golffirewheel.com)

**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** 18 Holes of Stroke Play. The field of 69 players will compete for three (3) qualifying places and two alternate positions in the 2023 U.S. Senior Amateur Championship to be played August 26-31, 2023 at Martis Camp Club in Truckee, California.

**TOURNAMENT YARDAGE BOOK:** The Texas Golf Association is partnered with Strackaline for its players to purchase Strackaline Tournament Yardage Books for USGA Qualifying. Use the code "TXGA" to receive the discount or [click here](#) to order. **Note: Orders should be given a full week for order processing and delivery.**

**CHECK-IN:** There will be no official check-in please be at your starting tee 8-10 minutes before your scheduled tee time.

**STARTING TIMES:** Pairings and Starting times will be released on Thursday, July 27<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 RANGE:** Opens at 6:30 am

**CADDIES:** Caddies are permitted, but must be provided by the player.

**TRANSPORTATION:** Players may rent a cart for their qualifying round (\$14 in the Firewheel GP pro shop). USGA "one seat policy" is in effect during the round.

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

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Please contact Pro Shop to schedule tee times. Firewheel Golf Park (972) 205-2795

**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.

**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).

**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**.

**ONE BALL RULE:** The One Ball Rule is NOT in effect for USGA Qualifying.

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**EVACUATION PLAN:** In the event of a discontinuance of play during the qualifier, players must adhere to the evacuation plan located in their digital player information packet.

**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 available for purchase at Firewheel Golf Park.

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

**OFFICIAL IN CHARGE:**

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# Field List

Firewheel Golf Park - Lakes Course | Mon, July 31 2023

<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State or Country</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State or Country</u>
Ajello, Bill	Dallas, Texas	Shaw, Tom	Abilene, Texas
Akasaka, Yoichi	Japan	Simnacher, Bradley	Lubbock, Texas
Allan, Dan	Gunter, Texas	Skinner, James	Dallas, Texas
Allcorn, Michael	McKinney, Texas	Spicer, Matt	Trophy Club, Texas
Braun, Andrew	Emory, Texas	Spurlock, Vern	Fort Worth, Texas
Bruchmiller, Boyd	Marble Falls, Texas	Stafford, Jeff	Flower Mound, Texas
Carter, Chip	Dallas, Texas	Steen, Bill	Frisco, Texas
Collini, Patrick	Mansfield, Texas	Stieneker, Jay	Houston, Texas
Cooper, Bob	Monroe, Louisiana	Stollenwerck, John	Dallas, Texas
Corson, Larry	Dallas, Texas	Tanner, Jet	Irvine, California
Coutant, Kenneth	Dallas, Texas	Tubbs, Greg	Plano, Texas
Cowart, Woodrow	Arlington, Texas	Vannatta, Larry	Grand Prairie, Texas
Croonquist, Dan	Colleyville, Texas	Vasquez, Jody	Fort Worth, Texas
Davis, Dave	Saginaw, Texas	Waghorne, Rush	Dallas, Texas
Deichert, Dan	Dallas, Texas	Wagoner, Scott	Dallas, Texas
Denton, John	Southlake, Texas	Walmsley, Adrian	Dallas, Texas
Dulemba, Joe	Las Colias, Texas	Weitz, Lane	Dallas, Texas
Dunlap, Peter	Dallas, Texas	White, James	San Angelo, Texas
Ellis, Ralph	Amarillo, Texas		
Gibbs, Dave	Fort Worth, Texas		
Goodwin, Bart	Flower Mound, Texas		
Griffin, Kirk	Eldorado, Texas		
Hansen, Christopher	Fort Worth, Texas		
Huckin, Bill	Dallas, Texas		
Iwata, Shigeo	Plano, Texas		
Jackson, Bill	Van Alstyne, Texas		
Jacobs, Randall L	Fort Worth, Texas		
Jenkins, Todd	Lantana, Texas		
Johnson, Steven	Fort Worth, Texas		
Joseph, Eric	Longview, Texas		
Kaspar, John	Dallas, Texas		
Keenan, Bob	Mesquite, Texas		
Kilby, Ronald	Mcallen, Texas		
Lippert, Robert	Copperas Cove, Texas		
Love, Stephen	Grapevine, Texas		
Manning, Sam	Dallas, Texas		
Martin, David	Dallas, Texas		
Maxwell, Stephen	Fort Worth, Texas		
Meyer, Scott	Dallas, Texas		
Moore, Alex	Dallas, Texas		
Moore, Nate	Midland, Texas		
Morgan, Paul	Seagoville, Texas		
Niles, Steven	Abilene, Texas		
Nunez, Larry	Austin, Texas		
Palmer, Chuck	Dallas, Texas		
Parker, Scott	McKinney, Texas		
Rogers, Michael	Fort Worth, Texas		
Sandlin, Lee	Dallas, Texas		
Schaefer, John	Plano, Texas		
Schleicher, Shon	Plano, Texas		
Senkowsky, Jon	Arlington, Texas		



2023 U.S. Senior Amateur I Firewheel GP

Course Listing: Hole by Hole



Firewheel Golf Park - Lakes Course

U.S. Senior Amateur

Slope / Rating: 74.5 / 136

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
Par	4	4	3	5	4	4	4	3	5	36
Yardage	387	413	166	512	447	437	390	189	536	3477
Pace of Play	16	16	13	17	16	16	15	13	17	02:19

Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In
Par	4	3	4	5	4	3	4	5	4	36
Yardage	440	167	403	530	418	145	393	532	379	3407
Pace of Play	16	13	15	17	15	13	15	17	16	02:17

Total
72
6884

## **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 three (3). Each group is allotted 2 hours and 19 minutes to complete holes 1 through 9 and 2 hours and 17 minutes to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (5 minutes for 9 to 10 and 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 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:

- take more than the allotted time to finish a check-point hole; and
- 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):

<b>Check-points:</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup></b>
Hole 1 Start	2:19 / 4:41 total
Hole 10 Start	2:17 / 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:

- the player was delayed by the Rules Committee; or
- the player was delayed by a circumstance beyond the control of the player of their group; or
- 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.

# Cart Policy for Senior Amateur Championships

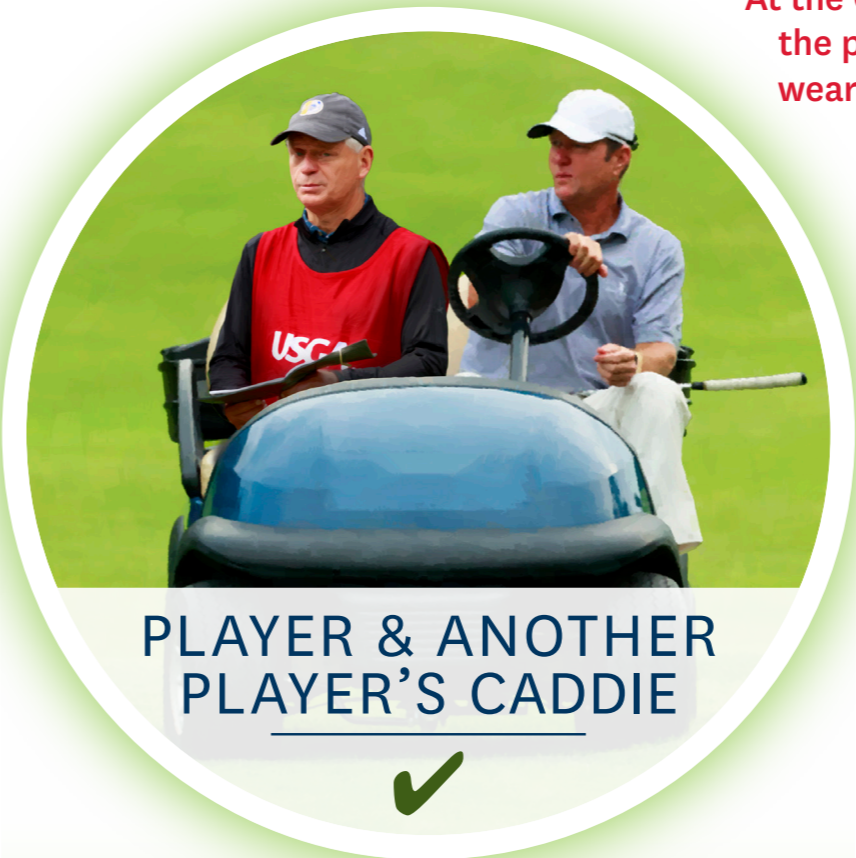
During the USGA's Senior Amateur championships, a "one-seat" policy is in effect during the player's round.



The "one-seat" policy allows either the player or the player's caddie to ride in or move a golf cart, but not at the same time. The player and the player's caddie are not allowed to ride in the same or separate carts at the same time.



The player can ride in or move a golf cart with another player in it, so long as the player's caddie is not riding in another cart at that time.



The player can ride in or move a golf cart with another player's caddie in it, so long as the player whose caddie is in the cart is not riding in another cart at the same time.

At the Championship Proper, the player's caddie must wear a caddie bib during the round.



The player and the player's caddie are not allowed to ride in the same golf cart at the same time, nor may they ride in separate carts at the same time.

If the player or the player's caddie show significant disregard for this policy, the Committee may disqualify the player under Rule 1.2a.



This "one-seat" policy allows the player's caddie the opportunity to assist the player during play. For example, the player's caddie can drive the golf cart if the player chooses to walk, move the cart for the player from green to tee, etc., so long as the player and the player's caddie are not riding in a cart at the same time.



The USGA reserves the right to limit or suspend the use of golf carts due to inclement weather, unsafe use of the golf cart or circumstances where use of the cart would present danger to others, the course officials, the golf course or other unforeseen circumstances. Golf carts should be driven on such areas of the golf course indicated by the club or the USGA.

## SUGGESTIONS TO STAY HYDRATED DURING PLAY

**If there is a medical emergency, please find someone with a radio or call 911.**

### GENERAL PRECAUTIONS

- Players and Spectators should be prepared to protect themselves from the heat. Players and spectators should bring umbrellas, nutritional snacks, sunscreen, light colored clothing, hats, etc.
- If you experience weakness, headache, trouble concentrating, nausea, muscle cramping or other symptoms in the heat, seek medical attention immediately.

### BEFORE THE START OF ACTIVITY

- It's important to make sure you're well hydrated during the few days leading up to your long activity day.
- An hour before you start your activity, try to drink about 16 ounces of water or other non-caffeinated fluid.
- Staying hydrated is critical to your performance and, more importantly, for preventing heat-related illnesses. Dehydration in athletes may lead to fatigue, headaches, decreased coordination, and muscle cramping. Other heat-related illnesses, such as heat exhaustion and heatstroke, have even more serious consequences. Athletes need to pay attention to what and how much you are drinking before, during and after activity.
- Make sure you're hydrated before you start your golf game, you should drink another 4 to 8 ounces' right before you start.

### DURING THE ACTIVITY

- A general rule of thumb for fluid consumption during your golf game: You should take in 4 to 6 ounces of fluid every 20 minutes during your physical activity.
- Some of your fluid intake should include a sports drink to replace lost sodium and other minerals (electrolytes). The carbohydrates and electrolytes in the sports drink also can help you absorb the fluids faster.

**Pre-hydrate yourself before, hydrate during, and after your golf game!**

### WHAT TO EAT BEFORE A ROUND OF GOLF

- Eat lightly in the two hours leading up to tee time. Food in your digestive system diverts blood away from your brain and muscles, affecting concentration and physical performance. A meal approximately 1 ½ to 2 hours prior to play is ideal.
- Eat high quality complex carbohydrates, keep protein and fat intakes moderate since these slow down digestion. Eat slow and chew well.
- Drink pure water to adequately hydrate. Also, fresh fruits are great source of nutrition as well hydration source. However, never drastically alter your normal eating patterns prior to competition.

### WHAT TO EAT DURING A ROUND OF GOLF

- Take a mix of dried fruit and nuts. Eat just small amounts throughout the round to keep energy and concentration levels regulated. Organic nutrition bars are a convenient snack that can help keep blood sugar levels steady. Avoid the high glycemic varieties.
- Sip water regularly, especially on hot days where you sweat more.

### WHAT TO EAT AFTER A ROUND OF GOLF

- Consume a combination of protein and carbohydrate-rich foods and drinks as soon as possible after your round to replenish glycogen stores and replace fluids that have been lost.
- Replace potassium or sodium that has been lost during competition by using foods. Fruits and vegetables are excellent sources of potassium.



# 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.