

U.S. Mid- Amateur Qualifying
The Woodlands Country Club | Spring, Texas
August 16, 2023



in association with



QUALIFYING INFORMATION FOR PLAYERS

HOST CLUB

[The Woodlands Country Club](#)

8900 Sterling Ridge Drive

Spring, Texas 77382

Golf Shop: (281) 863-1490

QUALIFYING PLACES: 18 holes of stroke play. The field will compete for TBD qualifying spots and two alternate positions to advance to the 2023 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship at Sleepy Hollow Country Club in Scarborough, New York. Qualifying spots will be available with the release of starting times & pairings.

TOURNAMENT YARDAGE BOOK: The Texas Golf Association has 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 for qualifying participants. Players are asked to check-in at their respective starting tee 8-10 minutes prior for further information and handouts.

STARTING TIMES: Player Information, starting times, and pairings will be released on Friday, August 11. Starting times, pairings and complete results can be found by visiting the Texas Golf Association website at www.txga.org.

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

CADDIES: Caddies are permitted and must be provided by the player.

TRANSPORTATION: Players **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: Players may contact the golf shop directly at (281) 863-1490 to schedule a practice round. Based on club availability, practice rounds may be scheduled after 2:00 pm Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday only. Practice round green fee is \$75.00 plus tax.

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 **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: Beginning in 2023, 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 distributed by the Committee in the Player 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 Final 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 and caddies may wear shorts. "Backwards" hats are not permitted.

FOOD SERVICE: Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

LOCAL ACCOMMODATIONS: There are a number of hotels available nearby in The Woodlands/Spring area.

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Field List

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<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State or Country</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>City, State or Country</u>
Adams, Joseph	Houston, Texas	Heller, Geoff	Houston, Texas
Albert, Todd	Katy, Texas	Helmle, Shaun	Seabrook, Texas
Alexa, Kurt	Houston, Texas	Herring, Howard	Houston, Texas
Alvarez, Luis	Colombia	House, Hunter	Houston, Texas
Ammann, Tom	Germany	James, Jeffrey	Laplace, Louisiana
Askew, Cambron	Cypress, Texas	Jensen, Connor	Waconia, Minnesota
Barth, Matt	Houston, Texas	Kaplan, Justin	Houston, Texas
Bates, Justin	Bartonville, Texas	Kerns, John	Houston, Texas
Battson, Brent	Houston, Texas	Kneisley, Robert	Conroe, Texas
Boatner, Logan	Humble, Texas	Knowles, Scott	Beaumont, Texas
Boyd, Matt	Richmond, Texas	Ladeveze, Gregory	Humble, Texas
Buchheit, David	Bryan, Texas	Lawrence, John	Houston, Texas
Cardwell, Blake	Houston, Texas	Lawson, Spencer	Conroe, Texas
Carlson, Tim	Houston, Texas	Lee, Michael	Houston, Texas
Carnes, Casey	San Antonio, Texas	Lefebvre, Ben	Austin, Texas
Carrier, Benjamin	Spring, Texas	Leger, Christopher	Houston, Texas
Carroll, James	Spring, Texas	Littrell, William	Houston, Texas
Carruthers, Cole	Houston, Texas	Lopez, Luis	Kingwood, Texas
Cassity, Trey	Katy, Texas	Mackay, Ross	Scotland
Castronovo, Vincent	Canada	Manbeck, Mark	Pearland, Texas
Chabaud, Russell	The Woodlands, Texas	Marek, Jonathan	Crosby, Texas
Chen, Johnathan	Chinese Taipei	Martin, Weldon	Houston, Texas
Choi, Hoh Jun	Republic Of Korea	Martinez, Nicko	Cypress, Texas
Coburn, Kirk	Houston, Texas	Martino, Vincent	Houston, Texas
Crane, Pj	Victoria, Texas	Mattson, Trey	Houston, Texas
Curry, Coleman	Waco, Texas	Mccarthy, Brian	Lutz, Florida
Delbrocco, John	Phoenix, Arizona	Mcgraw, Lucas	Dallas, Texas
Dinkel, Grant	Austin, Texas	Mcintyre, Jim	Frisco, Texas
Drotleff, Tj	Conroe, Texas	Milburn, Drew	Spring, Texas
Dryden, Dacota	Dallas, Texas	Milstead, Michael	Houston, Texas
Edgar, Joe	Conroe, Texas	Mitchell, Bryan	Katy, Texas
Edgeworth, Jason	Houston, Texas	Mobasheri, Babak	Islamic Republic Of Iran
Esparza, Cristian	Houston, Texas	Monroe, Kirk	Houston, Texas
Evans, Robert	Austin, Texas	Montemayor, Justin	Houston, Texas
Ewing, Thomas	Houston, Texas	Morley, Dwayne	Houston, Texas
Fernandez, Ben	Dallas, Texas	Moss, Clayton	Magnolia, Texas
Fernandez, Rodrigo	Mexico	Ortega, Eduardo	Houston, Texas
Ferrero, Thomas	Dallas, Texas	Payne, Chris	Friendswood, Texas
Flores, Tino	El Salvador	Perkins, Michael	The Woodlands, Texas
Foster, Scott	Kingwood, Texas	Phelps, Peyton	Grand Prairie, Texas
Fullick, Clay	Conroe, Texas	Reardon, Henry	Houston, Texas
Galloway, Kevin	San Antonio, Texas	Reed, Stephen	Houston, Texas
Gibbs, Richard	Tomball, Texas	Reynolds, Dylan	Katy, Texas
Goodman, Michael	Houston, Texas	Richter, Logan	San Antonio, Texas
Greenwood, Griffin	Houston, Texas	Roenigk, Marshall	College Station, Texas
Gullion, Joseph	The Woodlands, Texas	Rogers, Grant	Houston, Texas
Gwin, Robert	Montgomery, Texas	Rosner, Matthew	Sugar Land, Texas
Haag, Ryan	Houston, Texas	Russell, Jordan	San Antonio, Texas
Hall, Scooter	Tulsa, Oklahoma	Salem, Rashid	Westlake, Texas
Hawkins, Lance	Humble, Texas	Sanchez, Herving	Cedar Park, Texas
Heinle, Eric	Conroe, Texas	Sandoval, Jason	San Antonio, Texas



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Schneider, Matthew	Spring, Texas
Schnitzer, Johnathan	Houston, Texas
Simmerman, Danny	San Antonio, Texas
Sinitiere, Doug	Houston, Texas
Slone, Harrison	Friendswood, Texas
Smith, Kevin	Corpus Christi, Texas
Smith, Warren	Lakeway, Texas
Soglanich, Nicholas	Dallas, Texas
Stewart, Kade	Tomball, Texas
Swanson, Jason	Spring, Texas
Swanson, Josh	Austin, Texas
Talluri, Rohit	Bellevue, Washington
Thacker, Luke	San Antonio, Texas
Thompson, Elliott	Frisco, Texas
Timon, Nolan	Shreveport, Louisiana
Toohey, Paul	Yonkers, New York
Trivanovich, Alex	League City, Texas
Turrentine, Sloan	Mckinney, Texas
Van Zandt, Matthew	Houston, Texas
Vesey, Aj	Houston, Texas
Wallace, Stuart	Houston, Texas
Walsh, Jacob	Montgomery, Texas
Ward, Justin	Houston, Texas
Whelen, Jake	Houston, Texas
Wieland, Deni	Colby, Kansas
Wilson, Lee	Kingwood, Texas
Worthing, Bart	Weston Lakes, Texas
Zeringue, Toby	Katy, Texas
Ziegler, John	Camarillo, California
Zuccaro, Augustine	Austin, Texas

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out
Par	4	5	4	4	3	4	5	3	4	36
Yardage	419	572	418	340	188	422	514	204	451	3528
Pace of Play	16	18	18	15	13	16	18	14	16	02:24
Hole	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In
Par	4	3	5	4	3	4	5	4	4	36
Yardage	458	135	581	347	170	421	539	313	412	3376
Pace of Play	16	13	18	16	14	16	18	17	16	02:24
										Total
										72
										6904

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

2nd 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 24 minutes to complete holes 1 through 9 and 2 hours and 24 minutes to complete holes 10 through 18, plus turn time (4 minutes for 9 to 10 and 4 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 hole 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 / 2 nd
Hole 1 Start	2:24 / 4:52 total
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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

All players should evacuate to the clubhouse. Evacuation carts will be staged to aid in evacuating the far reaches of the course. The Committee will help direct players towards evacuation carts.

- **Clubhouse Evacuation Rooms:** Clubhouse, driving range pavilion, or other areas designated by the Committee.

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.

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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.