

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

100th Long Island Open Championship SQR #2

Indian Hills Country Club, Northport NY • Wednesday, May 15, 2024

FORMAT

This event is a one day, 18-hole stroke play qualifying round. In the event of a tie for the last remaining qualifying position(s), all ties will qualify.

ALTERNATES

Players who miss qualifying by 1-2 strokes will be added to an alternates list for the Long Island Open Championship. Alternates will be selected beginning with those who missed the cut by one stroke and continuing to those who missed by two strokes if necessary. Alternates will only be selected prior to the release of the Championship pairings if the Championship field size is below the minimum of 132 players. If the field is above 132 players, alternates will only be selected to ensure all pairings are full or to replace a withdraw that was already in the field.

Alternates will be selected in order starting with the 1st alternate at Bethpage, followed by the 1st alternate at Indian Hills, continuing until the field is filled. The tie breaker among alternates with the same qualifying score will be determined via USGA Match of Cards. If a spot becomes available in the Championship, alternates will be contacted directly by the staff. The cutoff date for alternate selection is Friday, May 31. On-site alternates will not be permitted.

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range (<u>irons only</u>) will open at 6:30 a.m. Range Balls will be provided courtesy of Indian Hills.
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m. Players are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Contestants are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, 10 minutes before their scheduled starting times. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

PRACTICE ROUND

There are **no** LIGA administered practice rounds for this qualifier.

DRESS

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. Players and caddies must wear collared shirts. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, and cargo pants is prohibited. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met and has authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the LIGA from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Dining Room.
- There is **no** luncheon service available.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CARTS/CADDIES

- There is **no** caddie program at Indian Hills Country Club.
- Players are <u>permitted</u> to use a golf cart. Carts will be available for purchase in the Golf Shop for \$32.00 plus tax (**credit card only**).
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are not permitted to use pull carts.

LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (<u>www.usga.org</u>) for a list of approved golf balls & drivers for the competition.
- The Condition of Competition ("Groove Rule") will be in effect.
- The "One Ball Rule" will not be in effect.

PACE OF PLAY

It is a condition of the competition that "the Player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play (POP) guidelines that the Committee may establish" and with the prescribed penalties for slow play. The MGA will be closely monitoring the POP at all LIGA Qualifiers. Chronic slow play takes away much of the enjoyment of the game of golf and we ask that you please be courteous of your pace. We appreciate your cooperation with the MGA Pace of Play Policy.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

- If it becomes necessary to withdraw prior to the date of the competition, please contact the MGA Championships Department at (914) 347-4653.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please call the Indian Hills Golf Shop at (631) 261-5700, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the LIGA official-in-charge.

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