

73rd MGA Public Links Championship SQR (LI)

Bethpage State Park Golf Course (Blue), Farmingdale, N.Y. Thursday, May 20, 2021

MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

COVID-19 GUIDELINES

The MGA has released COVID-19 Guidelines for MGA-Sanctioned events. Please reference this document before arriving to the event. CLICK HERE for the MGA COVID-19 Guidelines.

FORMAT

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

GENERAL

- All players are required to have their own face mask/ covering while they are on property and face masks
 must always be worn indoors and outdoors except when, sitting at a table eating/drinking, during their round,
 or while practicing.
- The Golf Shop and Practice Range (<u>no drivers</u>) will open at 6:00 a.m. Range Balls will be available for purchase for \$6.00 payable in the Golf Shop.
- The Locker Room will be closed for the day, restrooms are available in the Clubhouse.

REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. We ask players not arrive earlier than 45 minutes prior to their starting time. Players are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, immediately after the prior tee time has left the teeing area. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

PRACTICE ROUND

Players may schedule a practice round by using the club's online reservation system.

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.

CADDIES

- There is a limited supply of caddies at Bethpage State Park Golf Course. Players must contact the Michael Loubier, Caddie Manager at (631) 219-4469, at least two (2) days in advance to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the MGA Public Links SQR is \$150.00 per player (tip included).
- This is a walking only event.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are permitted to use pull carts (motorized pull carts included). Pull cart rentals are available for purchase inside the Golf Shop for \$7.00.

FOOD SERVICE

- Breakfast will be available to purchase (cash or credit card only) in the Clubhouse Restaurant.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase (cash or credit card only) in the Clubhouse Restaurant.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

LOCAL RULES

- The MGA has released COVID-19 Guidelines for the 2021 Championship Season. Please <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the most up to date guidelines.
- 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 "One Ball Rule" will be not 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 MGA Championships. 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 Championship Department at (914) 347-4653.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please call the Bethpage State Park Golf Shop at (516) 249-4040, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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