

# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

## COVID-19 GUIDELINES

In response to the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic, the MGA has released Guidelines for MGA-Sanctioned events. Please reference this document before arriving to the event. <u>CLICK HERE</u> for the MGA COVID-19 Guidelines.

## 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, and 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 be selected in order starting with #1 at Bethpage, followed by the #1 player at Indian Hills, continuing until the field is filled. The tie breaker among alternates with the same qualifying score will be the USGA Match of Cards. If a spot becomes available in the Championship, alternates will be contacted directly by the staff.

#### **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>irons only</u>) will open at 6:30 a.m. Range Balls will be available for purchase for \$5.00 (<u>cash only</u>).
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m. (restrooms only).

## **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

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.

## **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 \$30.00 (<u>cash or credit</u>).
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players are **not permitted** to use pull carts.

## FOOD SERVICE

- A continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 6:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. in the Dining Room.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (<u>cash only</u>) on the outside Patio.
- Players will <u>not</u> 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 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 <u>MGA Pace of Play Policy</u>.

## **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 Indian Hills Golf Shop at (631) 261-5700, with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the LIGA official-in-charge.

#### **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

INDIAN HILLS COUNTRY CLUB 21 Breeze Hill Rd, Northport, NY 11768 Golf Shop - (631) 261-5700