



## U.S. Amateur Four-Ball Championship SQR (White plains)

Metropolis Country Club, White Plains, N.Y.

Thursday, September 28, 2017

# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

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### **FORMAT**

This event is a one-day 18-hole Four-Ball stroke play competition. If necessary to determine the qualifiers and/or alternates, there will be a sudden death playoff which will begin immediately at the conclusion of regular play. All players should keep informed as to the time and status of any playoff.

### **GENERAL**

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 6:30 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of Metropolis Country Club.
- The Locker Room will open at 6:30 a.m. Players are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room. Please do **not** change your golf shoes in the parking lot.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted **only** in the Locker Room or parking lot.

### **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.

### **PRACTICE ROUND**

Players have been accorded the courtesy of **one** practice round **after 1:00 p.m.** on:

- Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>
- Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

Players must call the Golf Shop at (914) 949-0491 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. Players **must** take a club caddie. Players may walk and take a club caddie for \$90.00 per player (**cash or sign**); or take a motorized cart and a club forecaddie for \$75.00 per player (**cash or sign**). Limited availability and **no** guests allowed. Standard club policies apply.

***Note: Any practice rounds played after 3:00 p.m. do NOT require a club caddie.***

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Metropolis Country Club on the day of their scheduled practice round **and** no earlier than one hour before their scheduled practice round.

### **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**

- Continental Breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 6:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Men's Locker Room.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase (**cash only**) from 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. on the Patio.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

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## **CADDIES**

- There is a limited supply of caddies at Metropolis Country Club. Players may contact Garnet Wright, Caddie Manager, at (914) 949-7543 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball qualifying round is \$90.00 per bag plus tip or \$180.00 for two bags plus tip.
- 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 ([www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org)) for a list of approved golf balls & drivers for the competition.
- The Condition of Competition ("Groove Rule") will be in effect (see Condition Section Below).
- The "One Ball Rule" will be **in effect**.
- The Local Rule **allowing** Distance Measuring Devices will be **in effect** (See App. I-B-9).
- The New Local Rule for Accidental Movement of a Ball on the Putting Green will be **in effect**.

## **"GROOVE AND PUNCH MARK SPECS" CONDITION**

**Clubs:** Grooves – The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010 – See Decision 4-1/1 and applicable championship entry for details.

## **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 and USGA competitions. 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 Metropolis Country Club Golf Shop at (914) 949-0491 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

## **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

### **METROPOLIS COUNTRY CLUB**

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