



MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

FORMAT

This event is a one-day 18-hole stroke play competition. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position(s) for the **Junior Championship**, all ties will qualify. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position(s) for the **Boys Championship**, there will be a sudden death playoff which will begin immediately at the conclusion of play. All players in contention for the Boys Championship 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 available courtesy of Newton Country Club
- The Locker Room will open at 7:30 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 parking lot or 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.

PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round on a first come, first serve basis.

Players must reserve a practice round by contacting Susan Dennison at (973) 383-4817. The cost of a practice round is \$24.00 (**cash, credit, or sign**). Juniors may carry their own bag; utilize a motorized cart (**must be 16 years old**); or may be accompanied by a parent, who may rent a cart for \$24.00. Standard club policies apply.

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Newton 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 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 MGA from 7:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. on the Clubhouse Patio.
- Lunches will be available for purchase (**cash or sign only**) starting at 12:00 p.m. at the Clubhouse.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- Players **must** carry their own bag.
- Players may use a pull cart.
- Caddies are **not permitted** during MGA Junior Championships or qualifying rounds.

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LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (www.usga.org) 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 be **in effect**.
- The Local Rule **allowing** Distance Measuring Devices will be **in effect** (See App. I-A-7).
- The Local Rule for Accidental Movement of a Ball on the Putting Green will 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 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 Newton Country Club Golf Shop at (973) 383-2290 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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