



MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

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 7:00 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of Westchester Hills Golf Club.
- The Locker Room will open at 7:00 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.

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 at Westchester Hills Golf Club. Players must call the Golf Shop at (914) 761-7639 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. The cost of the Practice Round is \$30.00 plus tax (**cash only**), which includes the use of a golf cart (per player). Players may take a club caddie for \$80.00, including tip, per bag. Limited availability and **no** guests allowed. Standard club policies apply.

Players are **only** permitted to use the practice facilities of Westchester Hills Golf 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 7:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. in the Great Room.
- Luncheon service will be available for purchase (**cash only**) from 11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in the Great Room.
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- There is a limited supply of caddies at Westchester Hills Golf Club. Players may contact Eddie Valdivinos, Caddie Manager, at (914) 948-5020 to reserve a club caddie on a first-call basis. The caddie fee for the U.S. Amateur Four-Ball qualifying round is \$80.00 per bag including tip or \$160.00 for two bags including tip.
- Players may bring their own caddie.

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- Players may carry their own bag.

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 (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-A-7).
- The New 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 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 Westchester Hills Golf Club Shop at (914) 948-5020 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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