ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to male amateur golfers who: (1) will not have reached their nineteenth birthday by midnight of July 21, 2018 and (2) have an up-to-date Handicap index® based on ratings for men not exceeding 4.4 under the USGA Handicap System®. A Handicap index must be issued from a ‘golf club’ (as defined in the USGA Handicap System Manual) which is authorized to use the USGA Handicap System. The USGA accords an up-to-date handicap issued from the international body of golf that would be equivalent to a USGA Handicap index® within the prescribed limit for entry into the Championship.

Age: Player’s date of birth is required on all USGA entry forms. An application for a player who is a minor upon the date of submission, in the state in which he resides (e.g., New Jersey, under the age of 16) must be submitted by a parent/guardian, and list parent/guardian’s name, phone number, and email address. The parent/guardian must agree to be bound by all terms and conditions on their behalf and on behalf of the minor player.

Amateur Status: All players must conform to the USGA Rules of Amateur Status. If the player will be receiving expenses from sources other than family members to participate in this competition, please refer to Rule 4 of the Rules of Amateur Status.

Code of Conduct: The USGA may reject an entry application, revoke an accepted application, expel a player from future championships if the player engages in conduct detrimental to the integrity and image of the game of golf and/or public confidence in the USGA. Such conduct may include, but is not limited to, damage to the golf course or the player’s equipment, verbal or physical abuse of spectators, officials, volunteers, or staff, blatant or excessive profanity, disorderly behavior, failure to abide by club rules, or any other unbecoming conduct.

Equipment Permitted Conditionally for Medical Reasons: Players who wish to request permission to use a medical device due to a medical condition, if requested by July 16 and the player has not already been in disqualification from future USGA competitions.

ENTRIES: FORM, FEE, CLOSING DATE

All players, including those exempt, must have an entry application submitted on their behalf by a parent/guardian at the USGA website (www.usga.org). Only those players for whom blank entries are filed by the USGA as noted in the section on exemptions will not be required to submit entry applications. Only one entry may be filed per player. The USGA reserves the right to disqualify anyone who submits more than one entry.

Entry fee of $75 must be paid by every player. Entry fee will be refunded regardless of loss of reason if the USGA is notified (908-236-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) before the close of entries. After the close of entries, fee will be refunded in the event of medical condition, if requested by July 16 and the player has not already participated in qualifying. No refund for any reason after July 16. A $20 service charge will be deducted from all refunds.

ENTRY APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY USGA NO LATER THAN 5 P.M. E.D.T. ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 6, 2018. Entry applications must be filed online at: www.usga.org/champs/apply

Applications which are received late or without signature of parent or guardian are not acceptable and will be automatically rejected. (Entries by telephone, telegraph, mail or FAX are not acceptable.)

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SCHEDULE

Competition will be in two stages:

1. Sectional Qualifying – 18 holes stroke play for all except exempt players listed herein. See schedule.

2. Championship – 156 players eligible, including exempt players.

(A) STROKE PLAY – 36 holes stroke play to determine 64 qualifiers for match play. All sectional qualifiers and exempt players must compete. A tie for last qualifier’s place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off.

Monday, July 16: First round, 18 holes.
Tuesday, July 17: Second round, 18 holes.

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SCHEDULE (CONT.)

(B) MATCH PLAY – General numerical draw will be used. For purposes of determining places in the draw, ties in qualifying rounds will be decided by a blind draw, except that places of those participating in a play-off will be determined by the order on the public scoreboard summary and by performance in the play-off.

Wednesday, July 18: A.M. First round, 18 holes.
Friday, July 20: A.M. Quarterfinal round, 18 holes. P.M. Semifinal round, 18 holes.
Saturday, July 21: A.M. Final, 36 holes.

In the event of a tied match, (a) the winner will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off and (b) the stipulated round is deemed to extend to as many holes as are required for a match to be won.

PRIZES

CHAMPIONSHIP

Winner: Gold medal and custody of the Championship trophy for the ensuing year, subject to such conditions as USGA may establish.

Runner-Up: Silver medal.

Other Semifinalists: Bronze medals.

Lowest Qualifying Scorer: Bronze medal; if a tie, duplicate medals will be awarded.

No Other Remuneration: By his application, the player acknowledges that he is not entitled to remuneration of any kind for participation in the Championship other than prizes listed herein.

SECTIOnAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS

Lowest Scorer for 18 holes in each location: Silver medal; if a tie, duplicate medals will be awarded.

RULES OF GOLF; CLOSE OF COMPETITION

Play will be governed by The Rules of Golf as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R.A. & Q. Questions will be settled by the on-site Rules Committee, whose decision will be final. The result of each match is deemed to be officially announced when the result has been posted on the public scoreboard and approved by the Committee. The competition is deemed to be closed when the Championship trophy has been presented.

GOLF BALLS; DRIVER HEADS

Only brands of golf balls on the most current USGA List of Conforming Golf Balls and driver heads on the most current USGA List of Conforming Driver Heads may be used. Updated lists may be found on the USGA website at www.usga.org or by contacting the USGA Equipment Standards Department at (908) 234-2300. The so-called “One-Ball Rule,” the optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of The Rules of Golf, will be in effect.

CLUBS: GROOVES

In Sectional qualifying and in the Championship proper, the player’s clubs must conform to the grooves and punch mark specifications in The Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010.

*Penalty for carrying, but not making stroke with club or clubs in breach of condition:

Match play – At the conclusion of the hole at which the breach is discovered, the state of the match is adjusted by deducting one hole for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum deduction per round – Two holes.

Stroke play – Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.

*Penalty for making stroke with club in breach of condition:

Disqualification.

Exception: Ping Eye2 irons manufactured before March 31, 1990 with a groove spacing to groove width ratio of 2.3 to 1 are permitted for play under the Rules of Golf, even in certain competitions when the Condition Requiring Clubs Conforming with Groove and Punch Mark Specifications Effective January 1, 2010 is in effect. It is the player’s responsibility to refer to the condition of competition posted for the specific competition in which the player is playing to ensure compliance with the above exception and to provide proof of the date on which the club was manufactured. If the player cannot provide such proof, the club must conform with specifications described in Appendix II, 5(c). Please refer to the following link for information regarding conformity: www.usga.org/grooves.
DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES
In Sectional qualifying and in the Championship proper, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

For more information, visit www.usga.org/mdm.

FOOTWEAR
It is a condition of the competition, including at all qualifying sites and the Championship proper, that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: Disqualification.

CADDIES
Qualifying Rounds—A player may provide his own caddie. If he wishes to have the host club furnish a caddie, he should ask the Official in Charge because sufficient caddies may not be available at the host club.

Championship Proper—A player may provide his own caddie. If he wishes to have a caddie provided to him by the host club, he must complete the information as outlined in the Memorandum to Players.

EXCEPTION: A player may not use a parent, step parent, or guardian as a caddie during Sectional Qualifying or the Championship proper.

PENALTY: See penalty clause for breach of the condition prescribed in Appendix I; Part B; Section 2 of The Rules of Golf.

A player is not required to employ a caddie for any stage of the Championship.

TRANSPORTATION/CART REQUESTS
Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee. The optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of The Rules of Golf will be in effect.

As a general rule, players and their caddies must walk the course at USGA Championships and at most qualifying rounds. But consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a disabled player or caddie may be permitted to use a golf cart as an accommodation to his or her disability for those events where golf carts are not allowed. As required by the ADA, the USGA will evaluate such requests on a case-by-case basis.

In order for the USGA to properly evaluate the merits of such requests, while maintaining the fundamental fairness of the golf competition, it is necessary for players requesting this accommodation (whether submitted by the player, by the player for his or her caddie, or by the person/legal guardian of a minor player) to submit medical documentation to facilitate that analysis. The documentation provided must demonstrate: (1) a player’s (or caddie’s) disability as defined by the ADA; (2) the medical need for the golf cart that results from that disability; and (3) that by providing a golf cart to a player or caddie in that particular circumstance, the USGA would not be fundamentally altering the fairness of the competition by providing a player with an advantage over other players. The required form entitled Golf Cart Request Form (as well as additional important information for first time and subsequent requests for a cart) is available at the following link: www.usga.org/championships-hub/additional-entry-resources/requesting-a-golf-cart.html.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING
I understand that the USGA or its designees, may record, film, photograph, or otherwise capture my likeness, image, voice, biography, references to me, my quoted statements, and my play in the Championship (the foregoing, together with my name, my “Appearance”), in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Championship. I hereby grant (and/or have the authority to grant to the USGA in the case of a parent/guardian of a minor or other authorized representative submitting the Application on my behalf) to the USGA, and its licensees, successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable, assignable, worldwide, royalty-free, irrevocable right to use my Appearance, in whole or in part, in all manner (including exhibition, distribution, reproduction, publication, display, broadcast, transmission or otherwise), and media now known or hereafter invented or discovered, and for any purpose whatsoever. The rights granted herein include, without limitation, the right to use the Appearance, or portions thereof, in promotion of the Championship and future championships through any of the foregoing means of distribution, as well as in the design, manufacture and distribution of merchandise related to the Championship or other championships, that include elements of my Appearance. The USGA is not obligated to use my Appearance in any manner, and materials embodying any aspect of my Appearance do not need to be submitted to me for approval. I release and discharge the USGA, its licensees, successors and assigns from any claims arising from use of my Appearance, including claims for misrepresentation of me, my character, or my person by any means. As between the USGA and me, the USGA shall own all right, title and interest, including the copyright(s), in and to any works created by the USGA, its licensees, successors and assigns, that include all or a portion of my Appearance. This grant shall be binding on my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and the successors and assigns of the USGA. I hereby waive all privacy, publicity, defamation, libel, and proprietary rights relating to the Appearance as used by the USGA in conjunction with these terms.

Players are required to cooperate with representatives of the media; however, no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required. Authorized representatives of the media will not interfere with the player’s Championship play in an unreasonable manner.

REGISTRATION
By 2 P.M. on SATURDAY, JULY 14, eligible players must:
1. Register in person at location listed in the Memorandum to Players; or
2. All players arriving late should notify the Championship Administration Department at the USGA (908) 326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org (if before July 10). After July 10, please contact the USGA Director of the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship. (Please see Memorandum to Players for contact information.)

A CADDIE'S PLAY
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ACCEPTANCE OF PLACES; NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL
On the day of Sectional Qualifying, every qualifier should inform the Official in Charge whether he will play in the Championship.

If a qualifier or an exempt player withdraws, he must notify the USGA (908-326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) promptly in order to insure an alternate fair opportunity to play. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from future USGA competition.

LOCATION; TRANSFERRING
Players’ preferences for Sectional Qualifying locations must be designated on the entry.

If a Sectional Qualifying location has more players than can be accommodated, some players may be transferred to another location and the date for qualifying may be different than the original requested date. Transfer will be based on the date of receipt of entry application. Transfers are final. Qualifying is final. Sectional Qualifying sites may be cancelled due to lack of participation. In the event of inclement weather, qualifying will take place as soon as possible following the originally scheduled date.

QUALIFIERS’ PLACES; TIES; SUBSTITUTIONS
The number of qualifiers’ places in each location will be determined by the USGA after entries close, based on size and strength of field.

A tie for the last qualifier’s place or an alternate’s place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off.

Alternates in order of qualifying scores will be allowed for qualifiers unable to compete in the Championship.

If a Sectional Qualifying location cannot fill its qualifiers’ places, or if an exempt player withdraws, the place made available will be reallocated to another location. A reallocation schedule will be prearranged by the USGA.

If a player withdraws before playing a stroke in the Championship proper, a substitution is allowed. Only the USGA may make such substitutions.

Alternates have no status at the Championship.
Players in the following categories will be eligible for exemption from Sectional Qualifying in the 2018 Championship only. The USGA reserves the right to revise any of the exemption categories. Exempt players who wish to participate in the Championship must file an entry. *(NOTE: Blank entries will be filed by the USGA for players who become exempt after close of entries.)*

1. All former winners of the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship:  
   2017-NOAH GOODWIN
   2016-NOAH GOODWIN

2. Runners-up of the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship the last three years (2015-2017):  
   2016-NOAH GOODWIN
   2017-NOAH GOODWIN

3. Semifinalists of the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship the last two years (2016-2017):  
   2016-NOAH GOODWIN
   2017-NOAH GOODWIN
   EUGENE HONG
   RAYHAN THOMAS

4. Quarterfinalists from the 2017 U.S. Junior Amateur Championship:  
   NOAH GOODWIN
   RYAN SMITH
   RAYHAN THOMAS


6. From the 2017 U.S. Open Championship, those returning scores for 72 holes.


10. Playing members of the United States and Great Britain & Ireland Walker Cup Teams, four year exemption once appointed to the team.


15. Players ranked within the top 400 point leaders and anyone tying for 400th place of the World Amateur Golf Rankings as of June 6, 2018. In the event that more than 25 players are eligible under this category, the 25 players with the lowest WAGR value will be deemed exempt. All other players will be required to compete in qualifying. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry. Players exempt under this category will be determined at the close of entries. (Must have filed an entry by June 6, 2018.)

16. *Special exemptions as selected by the USGA. Must have filed an entry by June 6, 2018. Deadline for submission of request: June 6, 2018. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry.
### SCHEDULE AND LOCATION OF SECTIONAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS - 18 HOLES STROKE PLAY

USGA reserves the right to revise this schedule.

**Completion of Play:** If a player fails to return a scorecard (“no card”), future entries may be declined if documentation is not provided demonstrating that the player is capable of competing at the national championship level.

**Withdrawal from Qualifying:** Entrant who wishes to withdraw from Qualifying must notify the USGA (908-326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) and the Official in Charge prior to his scheduled Qualifying round. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from future USGA competitions.

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<td>(413)648-9101</td>
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**Some qualifying sites may charge a fee for a practice round.

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