

119TH U.S. WOMEN'S AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP®

Conducted by the United States Golf Association®

Old Waverly Golf Club, West Point, Mississippi | August 5 – 11, 2019



ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to female amateur golfers who have an up-to-date Handicap Index® not exceeding 5.4 under the USGA Handicap System™. A Handicap Index must be issued from a "golf club" (as defined in the *USGA Handicap System Manual*) that is authorized to use the USGA Handicap System. The USGA accepts 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 she resides (e.g., New Jersey, under the age of 18) 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 Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the United States Golf Association and The R&A. If the player will be receiving expenses from sources other than family members to participate in this competition, please refer to Rule 4.

Anti-Doping Policy: Important information regarding the USGA Anti-Doping Policy and drug testing at the Championship proper may be found at www.usga.org/championships/antidopingpolicy.

Code of Conduct: The USGA may reject an entry application, revoke an accepted application, expel from the Championship and/or suspend 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 Used for Medical Reasons: Players who wish to request permission to use a medical device due to a medical condition or injury and proceed under Rule 4.3b(1) of the Rules of Golf should refer to www.usga.org/content/usga/home-page/championships-hub/additional-entry-resources/equipment-permitted-for-medical-reasons.html.

Gender Policy: Information regarding the USGA Gender Policy and additional entry requirements may be found at www.usga.org/championships/transgendered.

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: A player 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 their scheduled qualifying round. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from future USGA competitions.

ENTRIES: FORM, FEE, CLOSING DATE

All players, including those who are exempt, must file an entry application. Players must file online 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 \$175 must be paid by every player. Entry fee will be refunded regardless of reason if the USGA is notified (908-326-1950 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 August 5 and the player has not already participated in qualifying. No refund for any reason after August 5. A \$35 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 26, 2019.**

Entry applications must be filed online at:

www.usga.org/champs/apply

**Late applications are not acceptable
and will be automatically rejected.**

(Entries by telephone, telegraph, mail or FAX are not acceptable.)

Time limit for entries means time of receipt at USGA (not time entry is transmitted to USGA). Entries should be submitted early to allow ample time for delay or error in transmission. The risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with the entrant and the USGA will have no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences therefrom, including rejection of the entry.

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, AUGUST 5: First round, 18 holes.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 6: Second round, 18 holes.

(B) MATCH PLAY – A draw based on qualifying scores will be used. 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, AUGUST 7: A.M. First round, 18 holes.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 8: A.M. Second round, 18 holes.

P.M. Third round, 18 holes.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9: A.M. Quarterfinal round, 18 holes.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10: A.M. Semifinal round, 18 holes.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 11: A.M. Final, 36 holes.

PRIZES

CHAMPIONSHIP

WINNER: Gold medal and custody of the Robert Cox Cup for the ensuing year, subject to such conditions as the 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 her application, the player acknowledges that she is not entitled to remuneration of any kind for participation in the Championship other than prizes listed herein.

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS

LOWEST SCORER IN EACH LOCATION: Silver medal; if a tie, duplicate medals will be awarded.

RULES OF GOLF; WHEN COMPETITION IS FINAL

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

GOLF BALLS; DRIVER HEADS

Only brands of golf balls on the most current List of Conforming Golf Balls and driver heads on the most current 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. See Model Local Rules G-1 and G-3.

The one ball Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. See Model Local Rule G-4.

CLUBS: GROOVES

In Sectional qualifying and in the Championship proper, the Local Rule as prescribed by Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-2.

PROHIBITION ON CERTAIN TYPES OF SHOES

The Local Rule as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect. Model Local Rule G-7.

CADDIES

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

Championship proper: A player may provide her own caddie. If she wishes to have a caddie provided to her by the host club, she must complete the information as outlined in the Memorandum to Players.

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

TRANSPORTATION/CART REQUESTS

The Local Rule prohibiting the use of motorized transportation as prescribed in Section 8 of the Committee Procedures is in effect, except at certain qualifying sites as indicated on this entry application where the caddie only is permitted to use motorized transportation. Model Local Rule G-6.

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 the player's caddie or by the parent/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, by submitting this Application, I 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.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING (CONT.)

The USGA is not obligated to use my Appearance in any matter, 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.

ONSITE CHAMPIONSHIP REGISTRATION

Register in person at location and time listed in the Memorandum to Players or notify the USGA as directed in the Memorandum to Players if a late arrival. Place may be forfeited by a player from whom no word has been received.

ACCOMMODATIONS; PLAYERS DINNER; PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Information will be provided to qualifiers upon completion of Sectional Qualifying. Exempt players will receive this information from the USGA office.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to personal grooming and clothing.

CONDITIONS; TERMS; SCHEDULES

The USGA Championship Committee/on-site Rules Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions, terms, provisions and/or schedules herein. The decision of the Championship Committee/on-site Rules Committee in any matter will be final.

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

LOCATION; TRANSFERRING

Players' preference for Sectional Qualifying location 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 sites are final after entries close. Transfer from one qualifying location to another is not permissible after entries close. Qualifying sites may be canceled 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.

ACCEPTANCE OF PLACES; NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

On the day of Sectional Qualifying, every qualifier should inform the Official in Charge whether she will play in the Championship.

If a qualifier or an exempt player withdraws, she 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.

EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

Players in the following categories will be eligible for exemption from Sectional Qualifying in the 2019 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. Winners of the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship the last 10 years (2009-2018):
2015-HANNAH O'SULLIVAN
2. Runners-up of the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship the last three years (2016-2018):
2016-VIRGINIA ELENA CARTA
2017-ALBANE VALENZUELA
2018-JIWON JEON
3. Semifinalists of the U.S. Women's Amateur Championship the last two years (2017-2018):
2017-ALBANE VALENZUELA 2018-KAYLEE BENTON
CHIA YEN WU JIWON JEON
4. Quarterfinalists from the 2018 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship:
KAYLEE BENTON GURLEEN KAUR
LAUREN GREENLIEF LUCY LI
JIWON JEON
5. From the 2019 U.S. Women's Open Championship, those returning scores for 72 holes.
6. From the 2018 U.S. Women's Open Championship, those returning scores for 72 holes.
7. From the 2019 U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship, the amateur returning the lowest 72-hole score.
8. *From the U.S. Girls' Junior Championship, winners in 2018 & 2019 and the runner-up in 2019.
9. From the U.S. Women's Mid-Amateur Championship, winners in 2017 & 2018 and the runner-up in 2018.
10. From the U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Championship, winners in 2017 & 2018 and the runner-up in 2018.
11. Playing members of the United States and Great Britain & Ireland Curtis Cup Teams, four year exemption once appointed to the team.
12. Playing members of the two most current United States Women's World Amateur Teams (2016 & 2018).
13. The low eight finishers and ties of the 2018 Women's World Amateur Team Championship.
14. Winner of the 2019 individual NCAA Div. I Women's Golf Championship.
15. Winner of the 2019 Augusta National Women's Amateur Championship.
16. Winners of The Womens Amateur Championship the last five years (2015-2019).
17. *Winners of the European Ladies' Amateur Championship the last two years (2018-2019).
18. *Winners of the most current Canadian Women's Amateur, Women's Amateur Asia-Pacific and Women's Mexican International Amateur Championships.
19. From the current Women's World Amateur Golf Ranking, the top 25 point leaders and anyone tying for 25th place as of June 26, 2019. 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 26, 2019.)
20. *Special exemptions selected by the USGA. Must have filed an entry by June 26, 2019. Deadline for submission of request: June 26, 2019. 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

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State	City	Host Club	*Site Capacity	**Practice Dates/ Player Information	Official in Charge
MONDAY, JULY 1 AT:					
CA	1. SOMIS	The Saticoy Club (805)485-4956	84	Contact SCGA www.scga.org	JEFF NINNEMANN, Southern California Golf Assn.
TN	2. FRANKLIN	<i>Westhaven G.C.</i> (615)599-4420	84	June 27-29; 30 (After 2PM) Contact Club; www.tngolf.org/tga	ALLISON BROWN, Tennessee Golf Assn.
TX	3. SOUTHLAKE	Timarron C.C. (817)481-1257	78	June 21-30; Contact Club www.txga.org	AMANDA KOLB, Texas Golf Assn.
TUESDAY, JULY 2 AT:					
NC	4. BERMUDA RUN	<i>Bermuda Run C.C.</i> (336)998-8155	84	July 1; Contact Club www.carolinagolf.org	MAGGIE WATTS, Carolinas Golf Assn.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 3 AT:					
CO	5. AURORA	CommonGround G.C. (303)340-1520	84	Reservations may be made 14 days in advance Contact Club; www.coloradogolf.org	KATE MOORE, Colorado Golf Assn.
VA	6. WILLIAMSBURG	<i>Ford's Colony C.C. (Marsh Hawk C.)</i> (757)258-4130	84	July 2 (After 1PM); Contact Club www.vsga.org	JOSH COATES, Virginia State Golf Assn.
MONDAY, JULY 8 AT:					
AZ	7. SCOTTSDALE	<i>Tatum Ranch G.C.</i> (480)585-2399	78	June 26-July 7; Contact Club www.azgolf.org	ERIN GROENEVELD, Arizona Golf Assn.
CA	8. REDLANDS	Redlands C.C. (909)793-1295	84	Contact SCGA www.scga.org	JEFF NINNEMANN, Southern California Golf Assn.
GA	9. ROSWELL	<i>Brookfield C.C.</i> (770)993-1990	132	Contact Club www.gsga.org	JEFF FAGES, Georgia State Golf Assn.
KS	10. LAWRENCE	C.C. of Leawood (913)491-3888	78	Contact Club www.kansascitygolfer.org	DOUG HABEL, Kansas City Golf Assn.
MN	11. WAYZATA	Woodhill C.C. (952)937-9347	78	Contact Club www.mngolf.org	DOUG A. HOFFMANN, Minnesota Golf Assn.
TX	12. HOUSTON	Northgate C.C. (281)440-5302	78	Tues-Thurs (Anytime), Fri-Sun (After 1PM) Contact Club; www.txga.org	JUSTIN GUTHRIE, Texas Golf Assn.
WA	13. DUPONT	The Home C. (253)964-0520	78	Contact Club www.thewsga.org	SCOTTY CROUTHAMEL, Washington State Golf Assn.
TUESDAY, JULY 9 AT:					
FL	14. ORMOND BEACH	<i>Oceanside C.C.</i> (386)672-1991	84	July 2-8 (After 12PM on weekend) Contact Club; www.fsga.org	EMILY VANETTEN, Florida State Golf Assn.
IL	15. ADDISON	The Preserve at Oak Meadows (630)451-3471	90	Contact Club www.cdga.org	NICKOLAS SCILLIA, Chicago District Golf Assn.
THURSDAY, JULY 11 AT:					
OH	16. DAYTON	Walnut Grove C.C. (937)253-6451	150	Contact Club www.miamivalleygolf.org	STEVE JURICK, Miami Valley Golf Assn.
MONDAY, JULY 15 AT:					
CA	17. ROSEVILLE	Sierra View C.C. (916)783-4601	120	Contact NCGA www.ncga.org	RYAN FARB, Northern California Golf Assn.
MA	18. BROCKTON	Thorny Lea G.C. (508)586-2171	84	Contact Club www.massgolf.org	GREG HOWELL, Massachusetts Golf Assn.
TUESDAY, JULY 16 AT:					
CANADA	19. NORTH VANCOUVER, BC	Seymour G. & C.C. (604)929-2611	78	July 15; Contact Club www.golfcanada.ca	DOUG HASTIE, British Columbia Golf
HI	20. KAPOLEI	<i>Kapolei G.C.</i> (808)447-2227	78	July 2-15 (After 11:30AM); Contact Club www.hawaiistategolf.org	PAUL OGAWA, Hawaii State Golf Assn.
MD	21. BETHESDA	Kenwood G. & C.C. (301)320-3000	96	Contact Club www.msga.org	KELLY NEWLAND, Maryland State Golf Assn.
WEDNESDAY, JULY 17 AT:					
FL	22. PORT SAINT LUCIE	<i>The Legacy G. & T.C.</i> (772)466-7895	84	July 10-16 (After 12PM on weekend) Contact Club; www.fsga.org	EMILY VANETTEN, Florida State Golf Assn.
MI	23. ST. CLAIR	St. Clair G.C. (810)329-7300	78	Contact Club www.gam.org	KEN HARTMANN, Golf Assn. of Michigan
NJ	24. BRIDGEWATER	Raritan Valley C.C. (908)722-2000	78	Contact Club www.njsga.org	BRAD BARDON, New Jersey State Golf Assn.

Only clubs highlighted in red italics will permit caddies to use carts first-come, first-served.

*There are no wait lists for qualifying locations that are full. If a 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 Sites are final after entries close. Qualifying sites may be canceled due to lack of participation.

**Some qualifying sites may charge a fee for a practice round.

In the event of inclement weather, qualifying will take place as soon as possible following the originally scheduled date.