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U.S. Senior Women's Amateur Qualifying Mount Vernon Country Club July 18, 2025

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This information supplements the Championship entry and the Standard Local Rules and Terms of Competition for 2025 USGA Championships)

TEE MARKERS/FORMAT: All play will be from the **USGA BLUE** tee markers. Qualifying and alternate spots will be determined over 18 holes of stroke play. Three (3) qualifying and two (2) alternate spots are available. A playoff for the final spot(s) and alternate spots will take place shortly after the last group finishes.

TRANSPORTATION: The player or the player's caddie may ride in a golf cart during a round, but both may not ride at the same time. Additionally, the USGA reserves the right to limit or suspend the use of golf carts due to inclement weather, unsafe use of the golf cart or circumstances where use of the golf cart would present a hazard to others, the course officials, the golf course or for other unforeseen circumstances.

OUT OF BOUNDS: In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of white stakes and fence posts, Out of Bounds is also defined by the course side edge of public roads. The maintenance building to the right of hole #18 is out of bounds, marked by white stakes and fence posts.

DROPPING ZONE:

Hole #16 (This is the only dropping zone in use for this competition)

If a ball is in or it is known or virtually certain that a ball that has not been found is in the red penalty area, the player may: proceed under Rule 17.1d; or as an additional option, drop the original ball or another ball, under penalty of one stroke, in the Dropping Zone, located on the right side of the most forward tee.

RELIEF FROM SEAMS OF CUT TURF: If a player's ball lies in or touches a seam of cut turf or a seam interferes with the player's area of intended swing:

- For a ball in the General Area: the player may take relief under Rule 16.1b.
- For a ball on Putting Green: the player may take relief under Rule 16.1d.

TEMPORARY IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: Model Local Rule F-23 is in effect. Temporary Immovable Obstructions (TIOs) include air-circulation fans near putting greens and all starting tents. Relief procedure may be taken on either side of the TIO.

FADED PAINT LINES: All penalty areas are freshly painted and are marked with red stakes. Any faded paint lines and areas not marked with red stakes have no status for this competition.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:

- Immovable obstructions adjacent to cart paths are played as a continuation of the cart path.
- Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green: Model Local Rule F-5.2 is in effect. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1b if an immovable obstruction is on the line of play and is within two club-lengths of the putting green and within two club-lengths of the ball. **Relief under this Local Rule is only allowed when both the ball and immovable obstruction lie in an area cut to fairway height or less.** There is no relief under this Local Rule if the player chooses a line of play that is clearly unreasonable.
- Immovable Obstructions within or adjacent to each other, including but not limited to sprinkler heads near putting greens, are considered to be a single obstruction. Consult a referee with questions.
- Relief for Ball in Penalty Area: Relief under Model Local Rule F-24 may be available for interference of an immovable obstruction (sprinkler head, drain pipe, etc.) within one club-length of the edge of a penalty area, but only when the ball touches or lies on the obstruction or the obstruction interferes with the area of intended swing. Consult a referee with questions.

SCORING: The digital scorecard used via the Golf Genius app is the unofficial scorecard. The official scorecard is the paper scorecard which needs to be verified in the scoring area (located on the back patio by the pro shop).

RULES QUESTIONS: If you have any rules questions, please call Amanda Kelley at 757-273-4652.

USGA LOCAL RULES AND TERMS OF THE COMPETITION: To access the USGA Local Rules and Terms of the Competition, please scan the QR code below.



