



100th VSGA Women's Amateur Championship

Keswick Club

July 14-16, 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: All play will be from the WHITE VSGA tee markers.

FORMAT: 18-hole stroke play qualifying. 56 players will make match play and the low 16 scores will make up the Championship Flight. All other players will be flighted and seeded by qualifying score into flights of eight.

TIES/PLAYOFF: A sudden death playoff will be held if there is a tie for the final match play spot in the Championship Flight. Ties for match play seeding will be settled by a blind draw except that places of those participating in the playoff to determine the final spot(s) in the championship flight will be determined by performance in the playoff.

Ties for other match play flights will be settled by USGA Scorecard Playoff Procedure. Ties for match play seeding in other flights will be settled by blind draw.

OUT OF BOUNDS: In addition to the line between the course-side points, at ground level, of brown stakes with white tops, and white stakes, out of bounds is also defined by:

- the course side edge of the white painted line on hole #2 (right of green);
- the wooden split rail fence on hole #5;
- No other objects (fence posts, roads, etc.) define Out of Bounds.

INTEGRAL OBJECTS (no free relief): All railroad ties (e.g. surrounding bunkers and the walls on hole #9 & #14) are integral objects. The ball must be played as it lies or penalty relief may be taken.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS:

- Immovable Obstructions Close to Putting Green: MLR 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 the Immovable Obstruction lie in an area cut to fairway height or less.**
- 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 at the USGA tent).

RULES QUESTIONS: If you have any questions, please call Amanda Braun at 804-928-7926.

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.



