



## 2017 Memorial Amateur Championship

### NOTICE TO CONTESTANTS

This tournament is governed by the USGA rules of golf 2016-2017, and this notice supplements the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition for the Memorial Amateur Championship. **Play will be from blue Memorial Amateur Logoed tee markers.**

1. **NEW FOR 2017 EVENT**

Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1 are modified as follows: When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced.

2. Driving Range fence is played as an immovable obstruction. (Rule 24-2)
3. Rock drain structures to the right of #2 green and the left side of #15 fairway are immovable obstructions - relief plus one club length, no nearer the hole. No penalty.
4. Free Drop:
  - A. Gravel drainage ditches.
  - B. Paved or dirt cart paths.
5. Abnormal Ground Conditions: If a player's ball comes to rest in abnormal ground conditions such as muddy areas caused by a broken sprinkler head or over watering and the majority of the fellow competitors agree, that player is entitled to a free drop (no penalty) at the nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole.
6. Embedded ball relief is allowed anywhere through the green. This specifically excludes hazard areas.
7. Undo delay, slow play (Rule 6-7): A player (or entire group) shall be subject to penalty if game is delayed. (See pace of play supplement)
8. Rules Official(s) may be available on the course. If an official is not immediately available, Rule 3-3 (doubt as to procedure), may be invoked allowing for a second ball to be put in play. The player must announce to his marker or a fellow-competitor that he intends to play two balls and which ball he wishes to count if the Rules permit. The competitor must report the facts of the situation to the committee before returning his score card even if he scores the same with each ball. If he fails to do so, **he is disqualified.**
9. **USE OF CELLULAR PHONES/PAGERS ON THE COURSE DURING THE COMPETITION IS PROHIBITED. THIS INCLUDES, CADDIES, FAMILY, FRIENDS AND SPECTATORS!**
10. **ONE-BALL RULE: LIMITATION ON GOLF BALLS USED DURING ROUND (Condition: Rules 5-1 and 33-1).**
11. **DISTANCE "ONLY" MEASURING DEVICES ARE PERMITTED.**
12. Following the conclusion of weekend rounds, the 36-hole cut will be limited to the low 40 contestants and ties.
13. As a footnote, please do not have any food substances in your bag. The squirrels will eat through your bag to get to it.
14. Please note the front and back nines have been switched for this year's competition.