

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

2024 Maryland Am/Open Qualifier #1 • Country Club at Woodmore • April 25, 2024

This information supplements the *Local Rules* and *Conditions of Competition* for 2024 MSGA Championships Card, Pace of Play Guidelines/Procedures, and event entry form. Posted course local rules do not apply.

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

Teeing Ground

The Navy MSGA tee markers define the teeing ground.

Pace of Play

Pace of Play is set at 4 hours and 24 minutes. When a group is out of position at any time, the group is subject to monitoring and timing per the Pace of Play Policy. See the Pace of Play Guidelines/Procedures for full description.

Playoff

There will NOT be a playoff for the final qualifying positions. Any player who ties for the last qualifying position (Amateur and/or Open) will advance to the championship proper.

ADDENDUM TO LOCAL RULES

Transportation

During the round, golf carts may be used by players and caddies. However, a "one-seat" policy is in effect. The player or the player's caddie may ride at any time provided both the player and the player's caddie do not ride in any cart at the same time. Players are responsible for the actions of their caddie. If the player or player's caddie shows significant disregard for this policy, the player may be disqualified from the competition under Rule 1.2a for serious misconduct contrary to the spirit of the game.

No Play Zone – Nos. 12, 13 & 16:

No. 12 – When playing this hole, the area to the left of the orange construction fence is a no play zone that is treated as an abnormal course condition. Relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 16.1f.

No. 13 – The area identified with blue stakes with green tops to the right of the fairway is a no play zone that is treated as an abnormal course condition. Relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 16.1f; this includes the entirety of No. 16 (for the play of No. 13 **only**) from which play is prohibited. Model Local Rule E-8.1. The area within the red penalty area identified with red stakes with green tops on the right side of No. 13 is a no play zone that is treated as a penalty area, relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 17.1e. Model Local Rule E-8.2.

No. 16 – The area identified with blue stakes with green tops to the right of the fairway is a no play zone that is treated as an abnormal course condition. Relief must be taken from interference by the no play zone under Rule 16.1f; this includes the entirety of No. 13 (for the play of No. 16 **only**) from which play is prohibited. Model Local Rule E-8.1.

Aeration Holes (Putting Green ONLY)

If a player's ball lies in or touches an aeration hole on the putting green. The player may take relief under Rule 16.1d. But interference does not exist if the aeration hole only interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing or, on the putting green, on the player's line of play. Model Local Rule E-4.

Out of Bounds

Out of bounds is defined by white stakes/white lines/property fence at ground level or any combination thereof. Where both white stakes and white lines are present, the stakes indicate the boundary, and the line defines the boundary. This also includes:

- The boundary behind the No. 1 putting green is defined by the edge of the roadway nearer the green.
- The boundary behind No. 4 putting green is defined by the edge of the roadway nearer the green.

Note: A ball that crosses a public road defined as out of bounds and comes to rest beyond that road is out of bounds even if it comes to rest on another part of the course.

Ground Under Repair

May include areas of unusual damage, including areas where spectators or other traffic have combined with wet conditions to affect materially the ground surface, but only when declared by a Rules rover.

Integral Part of the Course

The following are deemed an integral part of the course, relief without penalty is not available:

- Stacked stones and retaining walls in penalty areas
- Rock outcroppings
- Sandy Roads & Paths

Immovable Obstructions

The following are considered abnormal course conditions and a player may take free relief under Rule 16.1b:

- Drainage channels that are made of artificial materials and run next to cart paths are treated as immovable obstructions in the general area and are part of the cart path. Players may take free relief.
- Flower beds and drains encircled by or adjacent to cart paths are deemed to be a part of the obstruction.
- Birdhouses
- Curbs and posts alongside any artificially surfaced cart path and the cables and/or ropes attached to the posts are considered to be part of the cart path.

Temporary Immovable Obstructions

The following obstructions are deemed temporary and relief without penalty is available when there is physical interference or line of sight interference:

- Air circulation fans

Scorecards

Immediately upon completion of play, each player is to return his scorecard to the scoreboard area located outside under the golf shop.