# MGA

# MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS 109<sup>th</sup> Met Open Championship SQR (NJ #1)

New Jersey National Golf Club, Basking Ridge, NJ • Monday, July 22, 2024

#### **FORMAT**

This event is a one-day 18-hole stroke play competition. In the event of a tie for the last qualifying position(s), all ties will qualify.

## **GENERAL**

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 7:00 am. Range Balls will be available courtesy of the MGA.
- Locker Room will open at 7:00 am.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted only in the Locker Room or Parking Lot.

# **REGISTRATION AND START OF PLAY**

Players are requested to check in upon their arrival at the course. Contestants are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, 10 minutes before their scheduled starting times. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

### PRACTICE ROUND

Players have been accorded the courtesy of a practice round and <u>must</u> contact the Golf Shop at (908) 781-9400 ext. 3 to make arrangements on a first-call basis. Practice rounds are available on July 16 and July 18. There will be limited availability and no guest allowed. Standard club policies apply.

• The cost of the practice round \$50 (cash or card) payable in the Golf Shop.

#### **DRESS**

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. Players and caddies must wear collared shirts. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, and cargo pants is prohibited. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met and has authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

### **FOOD SERVICE**

- A limited menu will be available for purchase (cash or card) at the turn station under the tent from 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.
- Water will be available in coolers on the course.
- Players will <u>not</u> be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

### **CADDIES**

- There is <u>no</u> caddie program at New Jersey National Golf Club.
- Players may bring their own caddie.
- Players may carry their own bag.
- Players <u>are</u> permitted to use push carts. Players may bring their own push cart or rent one for \$20 (cash or credit).
- Players are <u>not</u> permitted to use golf carts.
- Caddies are <u>strongly encouraged</u> to wear shoes without spikes or tread.

### **LOCAL RULES**

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (<a href="www.usga.org">www.usga.org</a>) for a list of approved golf balls & drivers for the competition.
- The "One Ball Rule" will not be in effect.
- Distance Measuring Devices will be permitted.

#### PACE OF PLAY

It is a condition of the competition that "the Player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play (POP) guidelines that the Committee may establish" and with the prescribed penalties for slow play. The MGA will be closely monitoring the POP at all MGA and USGA Championships. Chronic slow play takes away much of the enjoyment of the game of golf and we ask that you please be courteous of your pace. We appreciate your cooperation with the MGA Pace of Play Policy.

#### **IMPORTANT REMINDER**

- If it becomes necessary to withdraw prior to the date of the competition, please contact the MGA Championship Department at (914) 347-4653.
- If you must withdraw on the day of the event, please call the New Jersey National Golf Shop at (908) 781-9400 ext. 3 with a request that the message be immediately relayed to the MGA official-in-charge.

# **CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER**

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