



MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS
47th MGA/MetLife Men's Four-Ball Championship SQR / 39th
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Spring Lake Golf Club, Middle Island, NY • Tuesday, October 1, 2024

FORMAT

This event is a one-day 18-hole Four-Ball Stroke Play competition. There will be a sudden death playoff to determine the champion (1st Place Net). If necessary, all other prizes will be determined by a matching of cards, using the USGA's recommended method. All contestants shall compete at 85% of their current Course Handicap on a net better-ball basis. The USGA Rules for Four-Ball Stroke Play shall govern all play. Players should familiarize themselves with Rule 23 in the USGA Rules of Golf.

GENERAL

- The Golf Shop and Practice Range will open at 7:00 a.m. Range balls will be provided courtesy of the MGA.
- The Locker Room will open at 7:00 a.m. Players are encouraged to change their golf shoes in the Locker Room. Please do **not** change your golf shoes in the parking lot.
- The use of cellular phones is permitted **only** in the Locker Room and in the 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

There are no practice rounds

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 continental breakfast will be provided by the MGA from 7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on the Patio.
- There will be no luncheon service provided
- Players will **not** be permitted to stop to eat between nines.

CADDIES

- There is **no** caddie program at Spring Lake Golf Club
- Players are **required** to use a motorized golf cart. The golf cart fee is **\$30.00 + tax per player**. An invoice will be emailed to all participants on Thursday, September 12th. All cart payments must be paid in advance via the link in the Golf Genius email.
- Players **may** bring their own caddie.
- Players may **not** carry their own bag.
- Players are **not** permitted to use pull carts.



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LOCAL RULES

- Please check at the starter's table for the Local Rules and the USGA website (www.usga.org) 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 contact Troy Odynsky at (570) – 955 - 7706

CLUB ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER

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