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# 6<sup>TH</sup> UNITED STATES SENIOR WOMEN'S OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5, 2024 – EDINA COUNTRY CLUB, EDINA, MINN.

## **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

### HOST CLUB INFORMATION

**Edina Country Club**

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**FORMAT/QUALIFYING PLACES:** Format is **18-holes, stroke play**. Contestants will compete for qualifying places and two alternate positions in the **6<sup>th</sup> United States Senior Women's Open Golf Championship** to be played August 1-4, at the Fox Chapel Golf Club, Pittsburgh, Penn. The number of qualifying spots is as follows:

**Spots:**           **TBD**                                **Alternates:**           **2**          

**PLAYOFFS:** In the event of a tie for the qualifying place(s) or any alternate position(s), **a hole-by-hole playoff will be held immediately following the completion of play.**

**USGA GROOVE POLICY – MODEL LOCAL RULE G-2:** In making a stroke, the player must use clubs that conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Equipment Rules that took effect on 1 January, 2010.

There is no penalty under this Local Rule for carrying but not making a stroke with a club which does not conform to these groove and punch mark specifications.

PENALTY FOR MAKING A STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION: **Disqualification.**

**EXCEPTION - PING EYE 2 CLUBS:** Ping EYE 2 irons manufactured prior to 31 March, 1990, with a groove spacing to groove width ratio of 2.3 to 1 are allowed for play under the Rules of Golf even when this Local Rule is in effect. The player is responsible for proving when the club was manufactured. If the player cannot do so, the club must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications that took effect on 1 January, 2010.

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Per the USGA Terms of Competition, distance measuring devices **ARE PERMITTED**; however, a device must measure **DISTANCE ONLY**. Please be sure any functionality is turned off.

**PACE OF PLAY:** The Pace of Play policy posted on the Qualifying webpage is in effect. The pace per hole and cumulative pace also is located on the next page of this Notice to Competitors. It is the player's responsibility to know the policy.

**STARTING TIMES:** There will be no change in the starting times established by the Committee other than by decision of the Committee due to weather conditions.

**QUALIFIER CERTIFICATE:** The successful qualifier should pick up their "Golden Ticket" and medal from the Committee upon the conclusion of the Qualifying.

**COURSE SET-UP:** This is the expected course set-up for the qualifier. The Committee reserves the right to modify it as necessary.

Hole	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>9</u>	Out	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	In	Total
Yardage	366	339	297	120	335	358	143	473	263	2,694	495	156	463	457	290	308	343	161	340	3,013	5,707
Par	4	4	4	3	4	4	3	5	4	35	5	3	5	5	4	4	4	3	4	37	72
Pace	15	14	14	13	14	15	14	16	14	2:09	22*	14	17	16	15	14	14	14	15	2:16	4:30

Holes marked with an asterisk (\*) include a five (5) minute "turn time" from 9 → 10.

**DIRECTIONS:** For directions and additional information about Edina Country Club, visit [www.edinacountryclub.com](http://www.edinacountryclub.com).

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Practice rounds are available for \$50. Golf carts are available for use in the practice round for \$30 per player. (NOTE: Carts ARE NOT permitted in the Qualifying proper.) To schedule a practice round, please contact the Golf Shop identify yourself as a U.S. Senior Women's Open Qualifying contestant.

**PRACTICE RANGE:** The practice range will be open 60 minutes prior to the first starting time.

**CADDIES AND CARTS:** Edina will have a limited number of caddies available. You may bring your own caddie if you wish to use one, or you may carry your own bag. Southview permits the use of push/pull carts. **The use of motorized carts is prohibited during all phases of the Championship unless prior authorization is made through the USGA for a condition covered by the ADA.**

**FOOTWEAR POLICY:** As stated on the official entry form, *shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (when such metal comes in contact with the surface of the putting green) are prohibited.* Penalty for breach of this condition: **DISQUALIFICATION.** (There will not be provisions to have your spikes changed on the day of the event at the host facility.)

**DRESS CODE:** Contestants and caddies must be neat in appearance. Bermuda length shorts may be worn. Denim and blue jeans, short shorts, tee shirts, and tank tops are prohibited. Shirts must have collars. The Committee will decide whether this requirement has been met. The dress code applies to the caddies as well as the players. A player will be held responsible for the appearance of his caddie.

**FOOD SERVICE:** There will be food and beverage service available during the qualifying at the Clubhouse. Cash and credit cards are permitted.