2017 Missouri Women's Amateur Championship – Algonquin Country Club – July 10-12, 2017

NOTICE TO PLAYERS

(This Notice To Players supplements and modifies any Championship information on the Missouri Golf Association's website, Correspondence with Players, the Local Rules as set forth on the back of the Official Score Card and the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition Hard Card on the back of this Notice and on the Missouri Golf Association's website.)

CONDITIONS

Pace of Play: Pace of Play for this tournament is 4:38. The Pace of Play policy is available on the MGA website and at the starting hole.

Suspension of Play Due to a Dangerous Situation: Note under Rule 6-8b and the Optional Condition set forth in Appendix I is in effect. All practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Committee has declared them open. When play is suspended by the Committee for a dangerous situation, if players are between the play of two holes, they must not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. If they are in the process of playing a hole, they must discontinue play immediately and not resume play until the Committee has ordered a resumption of play. **If a Player fails to discontinue play immediately, he is disqualified, unless circumstances warrant waiving the penalty as provided in Rule 33-7.** See Appendix I Part B4.

Note: A suspension for a dangerous situation shall be signaled by one (1) prolonged siren or airhorn note. All other types of suspension shall be signaled by three (3) consecutive siren or airhorn notes, repeated. Resumption of play shall be signaled by two (2) short siren or airhorn notes, repeated.

Ties: If there is a tie, the champion will be decided by a hole-by-hole playoff. All announcements will be made **at the scoreboard immediately following** the conclusion of play.

LOCAL RULES

Tee Markers: White

Teeing Area Defined: For the purpose of applying Rule 6-3a (including the penalty statement and exception) and Rule 4-4a, the teeing area for Hole #1 and Hole #10 is defined by the respective tent and ropes.

Scoring Area Defined: For the purpose of applying Rule 6-6b and 6-6c, the scoring area for players ending their stipulated round on hole 9 or 18 will be in the scoring area defined by tent and ropes close to the 9th or 18th putting green, respectively.

NOTE: Any unresolved Rule issues or Rule questions should be resolved among the competitors and the Official in Charge before returning the score card. Additionally, a Committee notification required of the player for playing a second ball pursuant to Rule 3-3 or Rule 20-7c "Playing a second ball" **must** be made before the score card is returned. The penalty for not reporting to the Committee is **Disqualification**.

Doubt as to Procedure (See Rule 3-3a): If a competitor is doubtful of her rights or the correct procedure during the play of a hole, she may, without penalty, complete the hole with two balls. To proceed under this Rule, she must decide to play two balls after the doubtful situation has arisen and before taking further action (e.g., making a stroke at the original ball). The competitor should announce to her marker or a fellow-competitor:

- that she intends to play two balls; and
- which ball she wishes to count if the Rules permit the procedure used for that ball.

Before returning her card, the competitor **must** report the facts of the situation to the Committee. If she fails to do so, she is **Disqualified.**
If the competitor has taken further action before deciding to play two balls, she has not proceeded under Rule 3-3 and the score with the original ball counts. The competitor incurs no penalty for playing the second ball.

Out of Bounds: In addition to the out of bounds as defined on the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition Hard Card on the back of this Notice, out of bounds is also defined by a white line (holes 9, 11, 14 and 18) and the inside face of the wooden fence (golf course side) on hole 14. If the OB stake or post is set in a concrete base and the concrete is above ground level, ground level is where the post meets the concrete. The concrete base which is above ground and in bounds is NOT an obstruction. Rule 27-1.

Holes #4 and #5: During the play of holes #4 and #5 the water hazard (yellow line) in front of hole #6 teeing area is to be treated as a lateral water hazard.

Lateral Water Hazard Margin on Hole #13: The margin of the lateral water hazard behind the putting green on hole #13 between the red stakes with white tops is the left edge (lateral water hazard side) of the cart path. See below for the dropping zone for hole #13.

Dropping Zone Hole #13: If a ball is in or if it is known or it is virtually certain that a ball that has not been found is in the lateral water hazard between the two red stakes with white tops, the player MAY proceed under Rule 26-1 or under penalty of one (1) stroke, drop a ball in the area marked "DZ" to the left of the putting green behind the bunker.

Note: There are no other dropping zones that apply to this tournament.

Halfway House Left of Hole #14: The halfway house and the surrounding cart path are deemed to be the same immovable obstruction. Rule 24-2 applies. As an alternative to proceeding under Rule 24-2, a player may, without penalty, use the Dropping Zone located on hole #15 in the rough, across the cart path behind and to the left of hole #14 putting green.

Integral Parts of the Course: In addition to the items covered on the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition Hard Card on the back of this Notice, flower beds on the course and rock retaining walls used to support teeing areas are also integral parts of the course and free relief for interference is not available.

Electronic Devices: The use of an Electronic Device(s), while not prohibited, may be a breach of Rule 14-3. See Decisions 14-3/16 through 14-3/18.

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. The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1. 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.
While a player may think he has not caused his moved ball to have moved, if the weight of evidence indicates that it is more likely than not that the player caused the ball to move, even though that conclusion is not free from doubt, the player must replace the ball without penalty. If there is doubt, play a second ball under R3-3.

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(Play governed by The Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA)

Out of Bounds: Defined by inside points, at ground level, of white stakes and/or fence posts. Rule 27-1b.
Water and Lateral Water Hazards:
* Water Hazards- Defined by yellow lines and/or yellow stakes. Rule 26-1
* Lateral Water Hazards- Defined by red lines and/or red stakes. Rule 26-1
* When a lateral water hazard is defined on only one side, it is deemed to extend to infinity.
* When water hazards and lateral water hazards are bounded by out of bounds, the hazard margin extends to and coincides with the out of bounds line.

Ground Under Repair: Defined by white lines and also includes French drains. Rule 25-1
Seams of Cut Turf (Sod Seams): The Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
White-Lined Areas Tying into Artificially-Surfaced Roads and Paths have same status as the roads and paths. They are obstructions. Rule 24
Landscaped garden areas completely encircled by an obstruction are part of the obstruction. Rule 24
Worn areas adjacent to cart paths are part of the obstruction. Rule 24
Embedded Ball Through the Green: Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
Aeration Holes: Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
Distance Measuring Devices: Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
Integral Parts of the Course: These Include cables, rods, wires or wrappings when closely attached to trees; artificial walls/pilings when located in hazards unless provided for otherwise in Notice to Players.
Temporary Immovable Obstructions: Local Rule as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect. (Includes greenside fans.)

CONDITIONS-
List of Conforming Golf Balls; Driver Heads: Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
Limitations on Golf Balls ("One-Ball Rule"): Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I is in effect.
Footwear: Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes comprised with partially or entirely of metal are prohibited. Penalty for breach is **Disqualification.**
Close of Competition: Match Play- When Committee accepts results; Stroke Play-When Committee approves all scorecards and, if applicable, when trophy is presented.
Note: MGA does not have an evacuation plan for severe weather. Players are responsible for their own safety.

Pace of Play Time Chart for this Tournament

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TOURNAMENT — Three (3) Players — COURSE

TIME SCHEDULE IN HOURS AND MINUTES

Hole #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Turn	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Total
Par	4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4		5	3	4	3	4	4	5	3	5	71
Time Allotted	0:15	0:15	0:15	0:17	0:14	0:15	0:15	0:14	0:15	0:05	0:17	0:14	0:15	0:14	0:15	0:15	0:17	0:14	0:17	4:38
Total Time Start #1 Tee	0:15	0:30	0:45	1:02	1:16	1:31	1:46	2:00	2:15	2:20	2:37	2:51	3:06	3:20	3:35	3:50	4:07	4:21	4:38	
Hole #	**10**	**11**	**12**	**13**	**14**	**15**	**16**	**17**	**18**	**Turn**	**1**	**2**	**3**	**4**	**5**	**6**	**7**	**8**	**9**	**Total**
Par	5	3	4	3	4	4	5	3	5		4	4	4	5	3	4	4	3	4	71
Time Allotted	0:17	0:14	0:15	0:14	0:15	0:15	0:17	0:14	0:17	0:05	0:15	0:15	0:15	0:17	0:14	0:15	0:15	0:14	0:15	4:38
Total Time Start #10 Tee	0:17	0:31	0:46	1:00	1:15	1:30	1:47	2:01	2:18	2:23	2:38	2:53	3:08	3:25	3:39	3:54	4:09	4:23	4:38	