



47th MGA SENIOR FOUR-BALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Southern Hills Golf Club, Farmington, MN

Monday-Tuesday, August 10-11, 2020

Notice to Competitors



CHAMPIONSHIP FORMAT

The Championship will be conducted in the following three divisions:

- *Championship Division* – Team handicap Index cannot exceed 18.4. 36 holes gross, four-ball stroke play.
- *Master Division* – Team handicap Index cannot exceed 24.4. 36 holes gross, four-ball stroke play (ages 65 & over)
- *Net Division* – Team handicap cannot exceed 36.4. 36 holes net, four-ball stroke play (all teams are eligible)

Teams must declare the division in which they wish to play. In order to be eligible for the Championship title, teams must play in the Championship Division.

UNFORESEEN CONDITIONS

In the event conditions, such as severe weather, do not permit the total completion of the Championship, the Committee reserves the right to cut the field after the first round to the low 12 teams plus ties in each division for play in the second round. No partial refunds will be given in the event this occurs.

PLAY-OFF

In the event there is a tie for the Championship Division, there will be a play-off immediately following the conclusion of play on a hole-by-hole basis until a Champion is determined. Any tie for first place within the Master and Net Divisions will be determined by a scorecard playoff that follows the USGA recommendation of matching scorecards.

COURSE SETUP

Check the website for specific hole yardages.

The **Championship** Division will play the **MGA BLUE MARKERS** (6,343 yards; 71.1/132).

The **Master & Net** Divisions will play the **MGA RED MARKERS** (5,971 yards; 69.4/129).

STARTING TIMES

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

Starting times:	Championship Division	7:00 – 8:40 and 10:30 – 12:30	Both Days
	Masters Division	8:40 – 10:00 AM	Both Days
	Net Division	10:10-10:20 AM	Both Days

HANDICAPS – NET DIVISION

Each competitor has a current USGA handicap index computed by GHIN, which was checked at the time of entry. The Revision date as of the day after the close of entries will be used to compute the Net Division. Your handicap index will be converted to a Southern Hills Golf Club course handicap, and then ninety percent (90%) of that number will be used to get your handicap for the Championship.

RULE 23.2b

Electronic scoring will be used for the entirety of the event. According to Rule 23.2b, hole scores recorded on the teams Official Scorecard MUST be INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIABLE. **All players should read the rule in preparation for the event! If you are out of the hole please record a score you would likely have received if the player finished or mark the score as an "X".**

LUNCH

A meal and drink tickets (2) will be provided to all competitors **FOLLOWING** their **SECOND ROUND**.

PRACTICE ROUND

Please call the Southern Hills Golf Shop to arrange a starting time at (952-463-4653). When calling, please identify yourself as a Senior Four-Ball participant. Rate is \$40 + tax (walking) weekends and \$32 + tax (walking) weekdays.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

The practice range will open at least 45 minutes prior to play both days of the Championship. Range is located north of the parking lot. Range balls will be provided. The putting green is adjacent to the 1st and 10th tees.

CADDIES & CARTS

There are no caddies allowed for this event due to Covid-19 restrictions. You may carry your own bag or use a pull/push cart. In addition, players may use motorized riding carts. If you will need a cart but did not prepay for one at the time of entry, you may add it to your entry up to the Sunday prior. If you do not prepay for your cart, you will NOT be guaranteed one on either day. Cart rate is \$17/player/day.

DRESS CODE

For all MGA competitions, players must be neat in appearance with respect to personal grooming and clothing. All males are required to wear shirts with collars and sleeves, and either golf slacks or Bermuda shorts, which measure no higher than 2 inches above their knees. Examples of attire NOT ACCEPTABLE includes the following: short shorts, athletic shorts, tennis shorts, cut-offs, jeans, jean shorts, tank tops, t-shirts, and sweat pants. The committee in charge shall decide whether this requirement has been met and will withdraw the entry of the player who does not comply.