

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION - The following conditions shall be in effect for this competition:

- **DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES ARE NOT ALLOWED.**
- **USGA competitions are "spikeless" events. Therefore, metal and traditionally-designed spikes are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition is disqualification.**
- **The player's clubs must conform to the groove specifications in *The Rules of Golf* that are effective from January 1, 2010.**

PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes. In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to her marker or fellow-competitor immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, she is disqualified.

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

- **Amateur players are responsible for posting their scores to the handicap system upon conclusion of this competition. Scores must be posted as tournament scores. Course slope and rating information is typically posted at the scoreboard during the competition. You may also contact GSGA for this information. Your scores are subject to review by your peers and your club's handicap committee.**

COMPETITION	U.S. Open Sectional Qualifier
FIELD	36 Players
FORMAT & QUALIFYING PLACES	36 holes of individual stroke play for a number qualifying spots and alternate spots to be determined to advance to the 2017 U.S. Open Championship to be played June 15-18, at Erin Hills, Erin, WI.
PRACTICE ROUNDS	One practice round per player and practice rounds are for players only. Practice rounds will be available on the designated dates and times below. Please call Hawks Ridge Golf Club to reserve your practice round starting time. Practice round cart and range fee is \$24 plus tax and must be paid regardless of whether or not the player chooses to walk or ride. Credit cards ONLY will be accepted methods of payment in the golf shop. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Contact the pro shop for practice round availability at (770) 205-6886.
CARTS	Practice cart and range fees are \$24 plus tax. Credit cards ONLY will be accepted. During the qualifying round, a caddie may transport a player's bag on a cart for a fee of \$48 plus tax. Spectator carts are strictly prohibited in all instances.
GOLF SHOP & DRIVING RANGE:	The golf shop and driving range will open by 6:30 a.m. the morning of qualifying.

STARTING TIMES	Starting times for tournament play will be assigned by the USGA/GSGA and will be posted at the club the day before the qualifying round. You may visit www.gsga.org for complete pairing information and starting times.
REGISTRATION	NO formal registration will be held on site. Players should arrive to their assigned starting tee ten minutes before their starting time to allow for the starter to go over instructions and rules of play. Player withdraws must be called in to the GSGA office at (678) 324-5974.
CADDIES	Players may provide their own caddie or contact the club for a club caddie. Contact the pro shop at (770) 205-6886 for club caddie information.
RULES OF PLAY/PACE OF PLAY	The USGA Rules of Play and GSGA Pace of Play Policies shall be in effect. Click here to view policies.
PREFERRED LIES	Per the USGA, for all USGA Championships and qualifying rounds, the following policy is in effect: A Local Rule authorizing “Preferred Lies” or “Winter Rules” is NEVER permitted.
PERSONAL APPEARANCE	In Local and Sectional Qualifying stages and the Championship proper, players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met, and has the authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply. The wearing of short pants is prohibited in the Championship proper, but is permissible in Local and Sectional Qualifying provided the host club does not have a dress code prohibiting such.
FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE	Food service will be available at the club throughout the day. Cash and credit cards will be accepted for F & B purchases. Breakfast will be available from 6:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m., and lunch from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
PRIZES	A Silver medal will be presented to the low scorer at the conclusion of the qualifying round.
THANK YOU TO CLUBS	If players wish to send thanks to the host club upon conclusion of the qualifying round, click on the following link for contact information: Hawks Ridge Golf Club
OFFICIAL IN CHARGE	C. Layne Williams, Senior Director, Rules and Competitions Georgia State Golf Association E-mail: LWILLIAMS@GSGA.ORG Phone: (770) 955-4272 X 2240