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

• 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.

- Distance measuring devices as described in Decision 14-3/0.5 are permitted.
- GSGA competitions are "spikeless" events. Therefore, metal and traditionally-designed spikes are prohibited. Penalty for breach of this condition is 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. Amateur Four-Ball Championship - Qualifying Round, October 2, 2017
FIELD	102 players (51 teams)
FORMAT & QUALIFYING PLACES	18 holes of four-ball stroke play for TBA qualifying spots and two alternate spots to advance to the 2018 USGA Men's Four-Ball Championship to be played May 19-23, 2018 at Jupiter Hills Club in Tequesta, FL.
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 after September 19. Please contact Berkeley Hills Country Club to reserve your practice round starting time. Practice round cart and range fee is \$30 plus tax and must be paid regardless of whether or not the player chooses to walk or ride. Cash and credit cards will be the accepted method of payment in the golf shop.  • Tuesday-Thursday, anytime based on availability.  • Saturday, after 1:00 p.m., based on availability for out of town players only.
CARTS	Practice cart and range fees are \$30 plus tax. During the qualifying round, a caddie may transport a player's bag on a cart for a fee of \$30 plus tax. Spectator carts are strictly prohibited in all instances. Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee.
YARDAGES & TEES	Championship tees will be used for this qualifying round. Yardages are approximate and may be adjusted due to inclement weather or other factors that may affect the playing conditions during the competition.
GOLF SHOP & DRIVING RANGE:	The golf shop and driving range will open by 7:00 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 <a href="https://www.gsga.org">www.gsga.org</a> for complete pairings information. The first starting times will be 8:30 off #1 and #10 tees.
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 (770) 955-4272.
CADDIES	No caddies are available at Berkeley Hills CC. The player is solely responsible for making arrangements for a caddie.
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 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.
FOOD & BEVERAGE SERVICE	Lunch and beverages will be available at the Turn Grill after 9:00 a.m <u>Cash only</u> will be accepted for F & B purchases.
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:  Berkeley Hills Country Club
OFFICIAL IN CHARGE	Richard Adams Georgia State Golf Association E-mail: radams@gsga.org Phone: (678) 324-5974