

July 2, 2010

To: Contestants

Re: 76th Connecticut Open Championship
The Country Club of Fairfield - July 26 – 28, 2010

Gentlemen:

Congratulations on qualifying for the 76th Connecticut Open Championship. Your starting times & pairings for Monday & Tuesday are enclosed. The pairings remain the same, but your starting time changes for Tuesday. We will be unable to make any changes to the pairings.

ATTENTION: Traffic in the early morning is very heavy. Allow sufficient time to get to the course.

Format: All contestants will play 18 holes of stroke play on Monday & Tuesday. The players with the 40 lowest scores and ties will advance to 18 holes of stroke play on Wednesday, July 28th. The player with the lowest 54 hole total will be the Champion. In case of a tie for the Championship, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff immediately following the last stipulated round on Wednesday. All other prizes will be shared. On Monday & Tuesday, play will begin at the 1st & 10th tees at 7:30am & 12:30pm. On Wednesday, play will be at 7:30am from the 1st tee only.

REGISTRATION: When you arrive at the club, please check in at the reception table, located near the bag drop.

LOCKER ROOM: The locker room, located on the lower level of clubhouse, will be open for your use at 6:30am each morning.

PARKING: There is limited parking available. Most of the players & caddies in the afternoon wave will have to park off club property. A shuttle will be provided by the CSGA. **PLEASE SHARE RIDES WITH YOUR FELLOW COMPETITORS &/OR CADDIES.** Drive to the club first & drop off clubs & riders before you go to the parking area. Only one person need be in the car to parking. **See attached map on how to get to parking area.**

CADDIES & CARTS: Players & their caddies must walk at all times. You may carry your own bag, bring a caddie or use a club caddie. To reserve a caddie, please call golf shop (203)-255-3951. Cost of a caddie is \$75.00 per bag, per round, including tip. You may use a non-motorized pull cart. The fee is \$7.00 per round. You may rent one or bring your own, but a fee will be charged.

PRACTICE ROUNDS: Practice rounds are available on July 7,8,13,14,19,20&21 after 2PM. Greens fees are courtesy of The Country Club of Fairfield. Caddies & carts are available for practice rounds or you may bring your own caddie. A cart for the practice is available for \$25.00 per person. You MUST call the golf shop to make arrangements. (203)-255-3951.

PRACTICE RANGE: The practice range will be open at 6:30am during the tournament & the balls are courtesy of The CSGA. Please use the MATTS & IRONS ONLY

PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES: The attached pace of play guidelines will be strictly enforced. Please take time to read them. If you have any questions, please ask at the reception table.

FOOTWEAR: It is a condition of this competition that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of the composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION.

FOOD & BERVERAGES: Lunch will be served on the terrace each day, between 11:00am & 3:00pm, courtesy of the CSGA. If you have an afternoon tee time, please eat before you play. There is a snack bar, located near 7th green & 11th tee that will be open on a cash basis

CELLULAR PHONES: Use of a cellular phone or similar device by a contestant or caddie during the stipulated round is strictly prohibited. Also, your host Club restricts the use of these devices to inside your car ONLY. Please honor your host's wishes.

DRESS CODE: Contestants and caddies are requested to adhere to the following:

- Shorts must be Bermuda length
- Shirts must have a collar & be tucked in at all times
- Mock Turtle neck shirts are NOT allowed
- Jeans are not allowed
- Hats are to be worn in a traditional manner
- No cargo pants or shorts are allowed
- NOTE: CT Section PGA members & apprentices are requested to refer to the CT Section TR&R on dress code

We look forward to seeing you on July 26th.

Good luck and enjoy the courses!

Best regards,
Malcolm McLachlan
Director, Rules & Competitions

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SEE ATTACHED FOR PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES, DIRECTIONS TO CC OF FAIRFIELD & A MAP TO SOUTH PINE CREEK PARKING

Connecticut State Golf Association Policies and Procedures

adopted April 6, 2006

amended April 12, 2007

amended December 4, 2007

The CSGA Pace of Play policy has been implemented to make contestants aware of their position on the golf course. The objective of this policy is to eliminate groups playing five-hour rounds. In no way is this policy meant to penalize players on the course. Players understanding the policy will become aware of their groups position on the course and over time begin to fix their own problems without an official putting the group on the clock.

Time of Starting: The CSGA directs that players should report to the starter ten minutes prior to their starting time to receive competition and course information. Rule 6-3a provides: "The player shall start at the time laid down by the Committee." The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3a is disqualification. However, it is a condition of the competition that, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, in the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, the penalty of failure to start on time is two strokes at the first hole in stroke play or loss of first hole in match play instead of disqualification.

Allotted Time: Allotted time is the amount of time a group has to complete a measured number of holes. All CSGA scorecards will have the pace of play identified on them. The time to complete 18 holes will be approximately 4 hours & 24 minutes, but will vary for each course. The OIC for each event will be responsible for communicating to the office any need for change in the basic pace of play schedule.

Out of Position:

FIRST GROUP ONLY: If you are behind your allotted time at any timing station.

ALL OTHER GROUPS: Subsequent groups will not be considered "out of position" if any previous groups has caused the field to fall behind their allotted time. Any subsequent groups must remain within 14 minutes of the group in front of them. This is measured by having the flagstick in the hole within 14 minutes of the group in front of you.

TIMING CARDS

The CSGA will use one of the two following options or a combination of the two;

1 - There will be timing stations located at the 4th or 5th hole of both nines and the possibility at the 9th and 18th hole. Groups will be timed at these stations and will be shown a card.

- Green card: The group is in position.
- Yellow card: The group has fallen "out of position" or is behind their allotted time and needs to catch up.
- Red card: The group has fallen "out of position" and behind their allotted time & will be subject to be put on the clock.

In lieu of a manned timing station, there may be just a clock for the players to compare their pace with the expected pace set forth on the scorecards.

2 - All CSGA officials will be given a spreadsheet with every pairing group's expected time of completion for each hole. In the event that an official notices a group out of position or behind

time they will inform the roving rules official and/or OIC of that group's status. At this time the roving rules official and/or OIC will inform the group of their position and that the group needs to speed up their pace. This group is also subject to be put on the clock without having received a "red card."

ON THE CLOCK

A group may be monitored or timed for compliance with this pace of play guideline if it is "out of position" and behind their allotted time. When a group is "out of position" every player in the group is expected to play any stroke within 40 seconds.

The timing of a player's stroke will begin when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he can play without interference or distraction.

Except on the putting green, if a player has reached his ball, it is his turn to play and there are no distractions, timing will begin after he has reasonable time to select his club. Time spent walking backward or forward for determining yardages will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, timing will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt and remove loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

NOTE: A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke. An extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 seconds) will be allowed for:

- a) The first player to play a stroke on a par-3 hole.
- b) The first player to play a second stroke on a par-4 or par-5 hole.
- c) The first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole.
- d) The first player to play a stroke around the putting green.
- e) The first player to play a stroke on the putting green.

PENALTIES

Once a group has received a red card and put on the clock, the following policy will go into effect for each player:

- 1st Bad Time - Warning from the official
- 2nd Bad Time - 1 Stroke Penalty
- 3rd Bad Time - 2 Additional Strokes Penalty
- 4th Bad Time - Disqualification

Players are responsible for knowing their position on the golf course relative to their allotted time as well as the groups around them. Players should monitor and speak to individuals causing slow play. Players may ask for the group to be monitored without identifying an individual causing slow play.

DIRECTIONS

Country Club of Fairfield
936 Sasco Hill Rd
Fairfield, CT 06430
(203) 259-1601

From Eastern CT:

Merge onto I-95 S.
Take the MILL PLAIN ROAD exit- EXIT 21. 0.2 miles
Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto STURGES RD. <0.1 miles
Turn LEFT onto BRADLEY ST. 0.1 miles
Turn LEFT onto N PINE CREEK RD. 0.2 miles
Turn RIGHT onto POST RD / US-1. 0.2 miles
Turn LEFT onto SASCO HILL RD. 0.9 miles

From Northern CT:

Merge onto I-91 S toward HARTFORD/NEW HAVEN.
Merge onto I-95 S / GOVERNOR JOHN DAVIS LODGE TURNPIKE via the exit on the LEFT. 23.2 miles
Take the MILL PLAIN ROAD exit- EXIT 21. 0.2 miles
Turn SLIGHT RIGHT onto STURGES RD. <0.1 miles
Turn LEFT onto BRADLEY ST. 0.1 miles
Turn LEFT onto N PINE CREEK RD. 0.2 miles
Turn RIGHT onto POST RD / US-1. 0.2 miles
Turn LEFT onto SASCO HILL RD. 0.9 miles

From Southern CT and New York:

Merge onto I-95 N / GOVERNOR JOHN DAVIS LODGE TURNPIKE via the exit on the LEFT.
Take exit- EXIT 19 for Center St. 0.2 miles
Merge onto Rennell Dr 0.3 miles
Slight right at US-1 N/Post Rd 0.7 miles
Take 3rd right onto Sasco Hill Rd 0.8 miles

DIRECTIONS
Overflow Parking Area

REMINDER: All contestants should drop their clubs and other equipment at CC of Fairfield prior to proceeding to the overflow parking area.

Beginning at Country Club of Fairfield

Turn left out of the club

Take first right onto Old Field Rd.

At first stop sign, turn right onto South Pine Creek Rd

Proceed to parking area on the left.