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## 123<sup>RD</sup> UNITED STATES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP LOCAL QUALIFYING

MONDAY, MAY 1, 2023 – TPC TWIN CITIES, BLAINE, MN

MONDAY, MAY 8, 2023 – SOMERBY GC, BYRON, MN

### QUALIFYING MEMORANDUM TO PLAYERS

#### HOST CLUB INFORMATION

##### **TPC Twin Cities**

11444 Tournament Players Pkwy

Blaine, MN 55449

Golf Shop: 763/795-0800

Website: <http://www.tpc.com/twincities>

General Manager:

Chris Weinhold

Head Professional:

Adam Chandler

GCSAA Supt:

Joe Rolstad

##### **Sommerby Golf Club**

975 Sommerby Parkway NE

Byron, MN 55920

Golf Shop: 507/775-3710

Website: [www.sommerby.com](http://www.sommerby.com)

Manager:

Brett Mucheckl

Director of Golf:

John Fitzgerald

GCSAA Supt:

Jake Kocak

**FORMAT:** At each qualifying site, the field of contestants will play 18-holes, stroke play, and compete for qualifying spots and two alternate positions into the Sectional Qualifying for the 123<sup>rd</sup> United States Open Golf Championship to be played June 15-18 at Los Angeles CC, Los Angeles, CA.

**QUALIFYING PLACES:** Qualifying spots have been allocated by the USGA as follows:

TPC Twin Cities    5 Spots            2 Alternates

Sommerby GC     4 Spots            2 Alternates

**STARTING TIMES:** May be found on the Qualifying webpage. No changes will be made unless necessary due to adverse weather conditions or for other reasons which are out of the control of the Committee.

**PLAYOFF:** In the event of a tie for the final spot and either alternate position, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff. All announcements regarding the play-off will be made at the public scoreboard upon completion of the qualifying round.

**ELECTRONIC SCORING:** The official method of scoring will be electronic by use of the **Golf Genius Mobile App**. Paper scorecards will not be provided to players. Players should review the printed and video educational information posted on the Qualifying webpage to prepare in advance for this process and should make sure their mobile devices are fully charged prior to play.

**PAPERWORK:** Any and all paperwork (Local Rules Sheet, Hole Location Sheet, USGA Terms of Competition, etc.) will be available online at the Qualifying webpage as well as at each starting tee. The Hole Location Sheet

**FOOTWEAR:** Shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of 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.

**GROOVES:** The players' clubs **must conform** to the grooves and punch mark specifications in The Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010 (see Decision 4-1/1). Please refer to the Qualifying webpage for more detailed information.

**DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Per USGA Terms of Competition card and the Rules of Golf, distance measuring devices **ARE PERMITTED** in all stages of QUALIFYING. **(EFFECTIVE 2023)**

**EVACUATION PLAN:** In the event of a discontinuance of play during the qualifier, players must return to the Clubhouse for further instructions and updates.

**PRACTICE ROUND AVAILABILITY:** Practice rounds will be available at each course. Please refer to the details found on the respective Qualifying webpage.

**QUALIFYING ROUND FEES:** There is no additional fee associated with the qualifying.

**CADDIES:** Caddies *will not* be available at either site. You may bring your own caddie if you wish, or you may carry your own bag or use a walking cart (including motorized).

**GOLF SHOP/LOCKER ROOM/PRACTICE AREAS:** These areas will be open for player's use during the qualifying. Practice areas will open at least 60 minutes prior to the first starting time.

**PERSONAL APPEARANCE:** Contestants and caddies must be neat in appearance. The Committee will decide whether this requirement has been met. A caddie who does not meet the requirement will be asked to change or will not be permitted to caddie. The dress code applies to the caddies as well as the players. A player will be held responsible for the appearance of his caddie.

**CARTS:** Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee.

**SPECTATOR CARTS:** Spectator carts will be available on a very limited basis. Persons interested in the use of a spectator cart must provide written proof of need and will be charged the applicable cart rate. Use of the cart is limited to the individuals who need the cart and one assisting person only. Requests must go through **Doug Hoffmann**, the Official-in-Charge of the Qualifying. (see below)

**FOOD SERVICE:** During the qualifying, food will be available only from the Halfway House located near the 1<sup>st</sup> tee and 9<sup>th</sup> putting green. Beverage service may be available in the Clubhouse following play.

**HOUSING/LODGING:** No arrangements have been made for housing.

**OFFICIAL IN CHARGE:**

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