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U.S. AMATEUR

CHAMPIONSHIP

Player Memorandum

Pebble Beach Golf Links
Pebble Beach, Calif.
Aug. 13-19, 2018

with
Stroke Play
Co-Host

Spyglass Hill Golf Course
Pebble Beach, Calif.
Aug. 13-14, 2018



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PRE-REGISTRATION PROCEDURES FOR THE 2018 U.S. AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

Pre-registration for the championship is your first priority. Please pre-register at your earliest convenience so we can plan for your accommodation, caddie and playing needs. **The USGA has made completion and receipt of your Player Pre-Registration Information and Media Profile mandatory prior to officially registering at Pebble Beach Golf Links.** Every effort has been made to make online pre-registration as efficient as possible.

This Player Memorandum is designed to assist you in the completion of your online Pre-Registration. We suggest you read it thoroughly prior to completing the online form.

Online Player Pre-Registration

To complete the online Pre-Registration form, please follow the steps below:

- 1) Click on <http://www.usga.org/2018usamateurplayerinfo>
- 2) Click on “**Player Memorandum**” and review
- 3) After reviewing the memorandum, click on “**Pre-Register**”
- 4) Please enter the event code: **2018**
- 5) Complete the pre-registration form and submit

We do recommend that you print the completed form for your records prior to clicking “Submit”. You will receive a confirmation email once the form is submitted.

Questions or Problems Regarding Pre-Registration

If you need to make changes to any of your Player Pre-Registration information after you submit the form, you will need to contact Jenny Pritchard at the USGA U.S. Amateur office directly at the phone number or email address shown below:

USGA U.S. Amateur Office

Phone: 908.748.4770

Email: jpritchard@usga.org

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ACCOMMODATIONS

The USGA and Pebble Beach have worked together to offer rooms at the Pebble Beach Resorts at major discounts off normal rates. The Lodge at Pebble Beach and The Inn at Spanish Bay will serve as the player options.

The Inn at Spanish Bay

2700 17 Mile Drive

Pebble Beach, CA 93953

Room Rate: \$285 per night+++

(plus 10.695% hotel tax, \$2 local assessment and \$28 service charge)

Staying at The Inn at Spanish Bay during the 2018 U.S. Amateur Championship has many advantages for you. You are just a short shuttle ride away from player hospitality, the practice facility and both championship courses. The Resorts' complimentary continuous shuttle service will leave The Inn at Spanish Bay every 15 minutes and travel to each of the courses being played in the championship along with stops at the practice facility and player hospitality. From The Inn at Spanish Bay, you have a 10 minute shuttle ride to Spyglass Hill and 15 minutes to Pebble Beach. You will have access to the Fitness Center at The Spanish Bay Club, just a short walk from The Inn, as well as to the exclusive Beach & Tennis Club located near The Lodge at Pebble Beach.

The Lodge at Pebble Beach

17 Mile Drive

Pebble Beach, CA 93953

Room Rate: \$335 per night+++

(plus 10.695% hotel tax, \$2 local assessment and \$25 service charge)

You may wish to upgrade and stay onsite at The Lodge at Pebble Beach during the 2018 U.S. Amateur Championship. You will enjoy the luxury of being able to walk right from your room to the first tee at Pebble Beach Golf Links. You are also within walking distance to the player hospitality and a short shuttle ride to the practice facility or Spyglass Hill, while never having to leave the secured gates of the private 17-Mile Drive community.

Please Note: All Pebble Beach Resort room rates are based on single or double occupancy. The rooms at both properties are very spacious and the double rooms feature two queen beds and would be perfect for two players to share a hotel room to help manage expenses. If you are traveling alone but would like help contacting another player interested in sharing a room, please contact Jenny Pritchard, jpritchard@usga.org, of the Player Services Office. She can help connect you with another player who may be interested as well.

To secure your reservation at either property, please do so through the link provided below:

<https://book.passkey.com/event/49661620/owner/17923/home>

Should you wish to make any resort related reservations, please contact the Pebble Beach Resort Reservations line at 800.654.9300. For any questions regarding your room reservation please contact Brendon Poss at 831.647.7420.

Private Housing

Several families have offered to welcome a championship player and up to one guest into their homes during championship week. Unfortunately, private housing is currently full at this point due to the limited availability. If you would like to be put on a waitlist for private housing, please indicate on the Player Pre-Registration form. Courtesy transportation to and from the golf courses may or may not be provided by the host families but flexibility is appreciated.

Making Other Housing or Room Arrangements

Players staying locally with a friend or family member or making other housing arrangements for championship week will need to provide a name and local phone number in case of emergency. Courtesy transportation to and from the golf courses will NOT be provided for players making independent housing arrangements.

AIR TRAVEL

Monterey Regional Airport (MRY) is the closest commercial airport to Pebble Beach Golf Links. Courtesy transportation will be provided from MRY to Pebble Beach Golf Links, The Lodge at Pebble Beach, or The Inn at Spanish Bay if staying there. If flying into San Francisco (SFO) or San Jose (SJC), you will be responsible for your own transportation. See Transportation section.

SPECIAL AIR TRAVEL INFORMATION

United Airlines is pleased to offer discounts of 2% to 10% off the published fares for players and player families traveling to the U.S. Amateur Championship. To receive this discount, please book your ticket online at www.united.com/meetingtravel and in the Offer Code box enter **ZZAQ838668** then search for your flight. The discount code only applies to roundtrip tickets for travel to SFO, MRY, SJC Airports between August 3 - August 24, 2018. You may also go to www.united.com and click on ALL SEARCH OPTIONS and in Offer Code Box enter ZZAQ838668 when searching for your flight. Some restrictions may apply.

PLEASE NOTE: United Airlines will waive the change fee (normally \$200) for one date change on the return flight of each ticket booked using the discount code. Any price difference in the airfare will still apply to the change of a ticket. To change your return flight without incurring the change fee, please call United Meetings at **800-426-1122** and provide them with your confirmation number as well as the **Agreement code 838668** and **Z code ZZAQ**.

ANTI-DOPING POLICY and DRUG TESTING PROCESS

Compliance with the USGA Anti-Doping Policy and drug testing program is a condition of entry to the championship. Any player who refuses to participate in the testing process may be subject to sanctions and disqualified. As such, you are responsible for complying with the USGA's Anti-Doping Policy, which includes submitting to drug testing upon request at the U.S. Amateur Championship. The USGA's Anti-Doping Policy will substantially follow the International Golf Federation's (IGF) Anti-Doping Program. For more information about the Policy and Program and how to submit a request for a therapeutic use exemption, go to usga.org; click on **Championships**, under **Apply to Play**, click **Additional Entry Resources**, then click **USGA Anti-Doping Policy and Drug Testing Processes**.

A request for a therapeutic use exemption (TUE) must be received by the USGA's Medical Advisor no later than five (5) days after having been notified that you have been accepted into sectional qualifying, or within ten (10) days of having received an exemption to play in the U.S. Amateur Championship. Submit the TUE form and any related questions and documentation directly to the USGA Medical Advisor, Dr. Thomas G. Hospel at thospel@yahoo.com. Specific questions about medications, substances, methods, dietary

supplements or vitamins, or to obtain a TUE should be sent directly to Dr. Hospel either via email or by phone at 614.537.3000. In addition, questions about dietary supplements and banned substances may also be submitted to the National Center for Drug Free Sport at www.drugfreesport.com or by calling the DFS Axis Hotline 877.285.1434.

General questions regarding the USGA's Anti-Doping Policy can be directed to the USGA's Anti-Doping Program Administrator at 908.326.1910.

CADDIES

If you request a local caddie through Player Pre-Registration, the Player Services Committee will assign a caddie to you. Pebble Beach has a professional caddie program which has full time caddies that make their yearly living working as a caddie. The fee for a local caddie is \$100 per round plus gratuity. Caddie fees are payable in cash only at the end of each round. An ATM will be available nearby at The Market at Pebble Beach.

Players are not obligated to use a caddie during any phase of the championship. If you wish, you may carry your own bag or bring your own pull-cart. Should you be unable to bring your own pull-cart, a limited number of pull-carts will be available for use at Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill on a first come basis.

If you will be bringing your own caddie, please provide his/her name on the Player Pre-Registration form under the Caddie Information section. Your caddie must be dressed in proper golf attire at all times. **Please see the Dress Code Section.**

****Caddies are to register and pick up their championship credentials during Player Registration at Pebble Beach Golf Links.***

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMUNICATIONS REQUIREMENT

The USGA Championship Communications department requires you to provide biographical information to help the media cover the championship. We encourage you to create your profile as soon as possible. If you have already completed this form at a previous USGA championship, please revisit your profile and update any information, including any golf results or contact/personal information. This profile can be accessed and updated whenever you wish, so feel free to visit often.

You will receive an email that will provide you with a link to the database, along with your username and password. It is recommended that you cut and paste the seven-character password into the database. If you have an AOL email address, please note that the email will most likely be delivered to your junk mail folder.

Please note that some of this information will be available to media who cover USGA championships. Media cannot see personally identifiable information such as your mailing address, telephone number(s) and email address. However, information such as your Twitter handle and past playing performance will be available to media. If you have any questions, please contact bdepasquale@usga.org or pkowalski@usga.org.

CREDENTIALS

Each player will receive a USGA Player Credential that will serve as your authorization for access to the player dining area located in the Lodge Event Pavilion. Players will be able to request a maximum of four (4) Player Guest credentials and six (6) weekly grounds tickets during on-site Player Registration. Player Guest credentials will allow the holder access into Pebble Beach player dining area during championship week.

DRESS CODE

Appropriate golf attire consistent with the tradition of golf is expected of players and caddies at all times while on-site at Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill.

Men are required to wear golf shirts with collars and sleeves. Either trousers or Bermuda length shorts are permissible. No denim of any color is allowed. T-shirts and sleeveless shirts are not permitted.

Women's golf slacks, bermuda length shorts or golf skirts are to be of appropriate length, no more than 4" above the knee. No denim of any color is allowed. T-shirts are not permitted but collared sleeveless golf shirts are permitted.

Unacceptable golf attire for men or women include short shorts, tennis shorts, cut-offs, gym shorts, sweats, jeans, tank tops, halter tops, mesh shirts, crop length shirts, advertisement or statement t-shirts, bike shorts or leotards. Necklines must be appropriate.

Non-metal spikes or rubber soled golf shoes are required.

EVACUATION

The USGA will have meteorology staff on-site, monitoring the possibility of inclement weather. If a potentially dangerous storm is approaching, marshals and USGA officials will notify players, caddies and fans.

In the event of inclement weather, the USGA will determine whether play should be suspended and the course cleared. If you are on the course, please stay in your location until play is suspended. USGA Officials will indicate the suspension of play for a potentially dangerous situation with one prolonged blast of an air horn. If play is suspended for a potentially dangerous situation, seek shelter immediately. Player evacuation site information will be included in your Player Registration packet.

FIRST AID / MEDICAL

A medical station will be conveniently located on-site and medical personnel will be available on-site each day of the championship.

In the event of an injury or medical emergency on the golf course, please notify the nearest USGA official or volunteer with radio access. Detail the exact location and nature of the emergency to be relayed to emergency personnel. A staffed medical cart will be dispatched to your location as needed.

FOOD

The USGA and Pebble Beach have worked together to provide Breakfast and Lunch service during the championship. The USGA is very pleased to offer each player complimentary breakfast and lunch while they compete in the U.S. Amateur. Each player will need to show their player badge at check in to receive the complimentary meals. All player guests will have access to the same food service at a reasonable rate and will be located at the Lodge Event Pavilion at Pebble Beach. Cash and credit cards will be accepted.

	Dates	Time	Player Guest Rate
BREAKFAST BUFFET	August 10 to 19	6:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.	\$20
LUNCH BUFFET	August 10 to 17	11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	\$26
	August 18 to 19	11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	

Concessions areas will also be located on the grounds of Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill. Complimentary beverages and snacks will be offered for players and caddies.

PACE OF PLAY GUIDELINES

The Pace of Play Guidelines is important information that the player will need to review prior to the championship. During the championship, Rules Officials will be on course to monitor pace of play and to implement this policy which involves groups keeping to a hole-by-hole schedule, and potentially being subject to timing of individual strokes with the threat of penalties if they fail to keep to the clock. Please click on the following 2018 U.S. Amateur [Pace of Play Guidelines](#) for review. The 2018 U.S. Amateur Pace of Play Guidelines will also be included in your Player Registration packet.

PLAYERS' RECEPTION

The USGA will host the Players' Reception at Pebble Beach Golf Links 18th Green Lawn on Saturday evening, August 11. **Player attendance is expected, and a sport coat is preferred.** The reception will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will consist of heavy hors d'oeuvres. This event is open to championship players and a limited number of USGA guests only. Practice facilities will close at 6:00 p.m. that day allowing time to dress for dinner.

PLAYER ON-SITE REGISTRATION AND CHECK-IN

On-site Player Registration is required of all players and will be held in the Lodge Event Pavilion at Pebble Beach Golf Links during the following days and hours:

Friday, August 10 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 11 7:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Players must check-in to verify their Player Pre-Registration Information and Media Profiles, receive their player information packets, guest credentials and parking pass, sign the official championship scrolls, complete caddie registration or obtain assignment, and have their photo taken. Only after all of these processes are completed may a player sign up for practice round tee times.

All players must register by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, August 11 or must notify the USGA in advance of their arrival. Should you need to register late, you must contact Karen Parker, USGA, at 908.326.1910 on or before August 3, or Robbie Zalzneck, USGA, at 910.409.0465 after August 3.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

The Pebble Beach Practice Facility will be available to players throughout the championship. The practice range at Spyglass Hill will be available Friday, August 10 – Tuesday, August 14. The practice range at Spyglass Hill is limited in tee deck space and will be limited to shots under 230 yards, so we recommend utilizing the Pebble Beach Practice Facility, if possible.

The full schedule for practice facilities:

Registration Day and Practice Rounds

(Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill)

Friday, August 10	7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 11	6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.*
<i>*Players' Reception begins at 7:30 p.m.</i>	
Sunday, August 12	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Stroke Play Rounds

(Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill)

Monday, August 13 & Tuesday, August 14	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
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Match Play Rounds

(Pebble Beach only)

Wednesday, August 15 & Thursday, August 16	6:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Friday, August 17 – Sunday, August 19	1 hour prior to 1 st tee time

PRACTICE ROUNDS

Players will have the option of playing practice rounds at Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill on Saturday and Sunday, August 11 and 12. On Friday, August 10, Pebble Beach and Spyglass Hill are fully committed to resort guest play. However, players may walk the cart paths only at each course. We ask that you please do not interfere with the resort play.

Players will be allowed to schedule their practice rounds at Player Registration on August 10 and 11 (**see Player On-Site Registration and Check-In**). Players will only be allowed to practice at each course on certain days, based on their Stroke Play course assignments. For instance, if you are scheduled to play Pebble Beach on Monday of Stroke Play, your practice round at Pebble Beach will take place on Saturday. If you are scheduled to play Spyglass Hill on Tuesday of Stroke Play, your practice round at Spyglass Hill will take place on Sunday.

SCHEDULE OF PLAY

Practice Rounds			
Saturday, August 11	312 Players	Pebble Beach Spyglass Hill	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Sunday, August 12	312 Players	Pebble Beach Spyglass Hill	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Stroke Play Rounds			
Monday, August 13	Round #1 – 312 Players	Pebble Beach Spyglass Hill	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
Tuesday, August 14	Round #2 – 312 Players	Pebble Beach Spyglass Hill	7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. 12:45 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.
*Note: Playoff, if necessary, will be played at Pebble Beach; Holes 17 & 18 repeated			
Match Play Rounds (All Match Play Rounds will be at Pebble Beach)			
Wednesday, August 15	Match Play Round #1 (64 Players – 32 Matches)	Pebble Beach	9:00 a.m. – 2:10 p.m.
Thursday, August 16	Match Play Round #2 (32 Players – 16 Matches)	Pebble Beach	8:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.
	Match Play Round #3 (16 Players – 8 Matches)	Pebble Beach	2:00 p.m. – 3:10 p.m.
Friday, August 17	Match Play Quarterfinals (8 Players – 4 Matches)	Pebble Beach	2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.
Saturday, August 18	Match Play Semifinals (4 Players – 2 Matches)	Pebble Beach	8:00 a.m. and 8:20 a.m.
Sunday, August 19	Match Play Final (2 Players – 36 Holes)	Pebble Beach	7:30 a.m. and 1:00 p.m.

TELEVISION COVERAGE

(Times Tentative)

Day/Date	Network	Program	Time (PDT)
Wednesday, August 15	Fox Sports1	First Round	2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Thursday, August 16	Live Internet Coverage via www.usga.org	Second Round	TBD
	Fox Sports1	Third Round	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Friday, August 17	Fox Sports1	Quarterfinals	4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.
Saturday, August 18	Fox	Semifinals	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Sunday, August 19	Live Internet Coverage via www.usga.org	Finals (a.m.)	TBD
	Fox	Finals (p.m.)	1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.

NOTE: Start times may change due to weather conditions or television coverage. Championship Schedule information will be available at www.usamateur.org.

TICKET SALES

Championship tickets may be purchased on-line at www.usamateur.org.

Daily Ticket: \$25

Weekly Ticket Package: \$75

Single Day Ten-Ticket Book: \$125

Children 17 years of age and younger will be admitted free during championship week, August 13-19, 2018, when accompanied by a ticketed adult. Junior Tickets may be obtained at the Will Call & Admission Sales Office at Pebble Beach on the day of entry.

TRANSPORTATION/SHUTTLE SERVICES

Transportation from Monterey Regional Airport (MRY)

Complimentary shuttle service will be provided from Monterey Regional Airport (MRY), beginning Thursday, August 9. Please specify on the Player Pre-Registration form all flight arrival information or please contact Jenny Pritchard, jpritchard@usga.org or 908.748.4770, with your arrival details. If you have made your own accommodation arrangements other than at the Pebble Beach Resorts, you will be responsible for your own transportation.

If you are arriving into SFO or SJC, you will need to make your own transportation arrangements. Below are a few suggestions of transfer options from both airports provided at reasonable rates:

Transfers to The Lodge at Pebble Beach /The Inn at Spanish Bay:

Monterey Airbus	http://www.montereyairbus.com/ 831.373.7777
Main Event Transportation	http://www.maineventtransportation.com/ 831.646.5466
Pebble Beach Transportation	831.649.7606

Renting Your Own Car at Airport

If you choose to rent a car, you must do so independently. You must be 25 years of age, present a valid driver's license and credit card at the time of rental car pickup. Avis Budget Group is offering special rental car rates for the championship. To reserve a rental car with either Avis or Budget at a discounted rate, please click the following links:

www.avis.com/USGA

www.budget.com/USGA

If you are driving your own vehicle or renting a car, you may request a parking pass through the Player Pre-Registration form online, which will be valid for on-site parking at Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill. You will receive the parking pass during Player Registration on-site. **Parking at both courses is extremely limited and players staying on property are encouraged to use the internal Pebble Beach Resort shuttle service.**

Shuttle Service Between Pebble Beach Golf Links and Spyglass Hill

The Pebble Beach Resorts shuttle service will be available every 15 minutes from The Inn at Spanish Bay. The shuttle will drop players at the Player Hospitality and Spyglass Hill. Additional vehicles will be staged at Player Hospitality to transfer players and player families to/from the Pebble Beach Practice Facility and Spyglass Hill. Player and caddie transportation will be given priority over the transportation of player family and guests prior to play each day.