



2020 CHAMPIONSHIP

# U.S. SENIOR OPEN

NEWPORT, R.I. | JUNE 23 - 28

Newport Country Club



## Player Memorandum

conducted by the  
**USGA**<sup>®</sup>

# PLAYER ACCOMMODATIONS

## Hotels

The Hotel Viking will serve as the host hotel for players and their families during the 2020 U.S. Senior Open Championship. Please note that any player wishing to check into either of the hotels prior to Monday, June 22 will be allocated a room pending availability.

Each exempt player is entitled to reserve a maximum of two (2) rooms. Each qualifier is guaranteed one room and additional upon availability. All reservations and any subsequent changes to the reservations must be made through the Player Services Office by emailing Jenny Pritchard at [jpritchard@usga.org](mailto:jpritchard@usga.org) or calling 908.748.4770. Reservations or changes may not be made through the hotel directly.

**Hotel Viking**  
 1 Bellevue Avenue  
 Newport, RI 02840  
<https://www.hotelviking.com/>

**Rate: \$289/night + Resort Fee of \$20/night + applicable taxes**

**Room Options: King or Two Queens**

**Valet Parking only: \$30/night**

The Hotel Viking is located at the top of Newport, Rhode Island's, Historic Hill:

<b>Hotel Viking Amenities include:</b>		
<p><b><u>Dining</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One Bellevue Restaurant</li> <li>• Hill Market</li> <li>• Top of Newport Bar &amp; Kitchen</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Guest Services</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Room Service</li> <li>• Concierge Service</li> <li>• Complimentary High-Speed Wifi</li> <li>• Dry-Cleaning Service</li> <li>• Morning yoga Saturday and Sunday</li> <li>• Shuttle Service within 2 miles radius</li> <li>• Pet Friendly</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Fitness &amp; Recreation</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full Service Spa &amp; Fitness Center</li> <li>• Heated Swimming Pool</li> <li>• Hot Tub</li> </ul>

## Private Home Rental

While the Player Services Office has assisted in facilitating home rentals in the past, we will not be able to assist with connecting players with homeowners this year due to the city of Newport's Short-Term Rental Regulations. You may seek rental options through VRBO, Airbnb, realtors and such.

*Please Note: if you do decide to rent a home in the area, please make sure the renter has completed and received approval of Newport's Short-Term rental application for that time period.*

## ARRIVAL INFORMATION

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T.F. Green Airport (PVD) is the closest commercial airport and Northstar Aviation (located at PVD airport) is the closest FBO that services private jet travel.

### **Commercial Air Travel**

#### **T.F. Green Airport (PVD)**

2000 Post Rd

Warwick, RI 02886

<https://www.pvdairport.com/>

Distance to Newport Country Club: 31 miles

Distance to Hotel Viking: 28 miles

### **Private Air Travel**

#### **Northstar Aviation**

544 Airport Rd

Warwick, RI 02886

Phone: 401.738.2600

<https://www.atlanticaviation.com/location/sbn>

Distance to Newport Country Club: 32 miles

Distance to Hotel Viking: 28 miles

### **Alternate Arrival Locations**

If you are planning to arrive at any airport other than PVD or Northstar Aviation, you will be responsible for your own transportation to Newport.

### **Lexus SUV Courtesy Car Distribution**

Each player will be provided with a Lexus courtesy car for use during the week of the 2020 U.S. Senior Open. Pertinent directions and procedures will be found within the vehicle as well as a built-in navigation system for your convenience.

Upon your arrival into PVD, please check in with the transportation representative located near the information desk in baggage claim. The representative will assist with your luggage and escort you to your courtesy vehicle curbside.

Upon your arrival into Northstar Aviation, you will be greeted by the transportation representative who will have your courtesy car available curbside.

For players arriving by other methods, your courtesy car will be available for pick up upon arrival to the Hotel Viking or Newport Country Club.

# PLAYER INFORMATION

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## **Credentials**

Credentials will be distributed at Player Registration beginning Sunday, June 21 (see “Registration”). Each player will receive a credential for himself and may request a maximum of ten (10) complimentary credentials for family and/or guests. Of that quantity, a player may request all of the following:

- **Four (4) “Player Guest” credentials** for guests (including a spouse) which allow week-long access into the Player Hospitality tented facility located in a tent adjacent to the clubhouse. Player Hospitality is only for players, their spouses and guests who have “Player Guest” credentials. “Player Guest” credentials do not allow inside-the-ropes access. Due to space limitations, players will be strictly limited to a maximum of four (4) “Player Guest” credentials.
- **Two (2) complimentary Founders Club ticket packages** which will allow access Wednesday through Sunday to the championship grounds and the Founders Club; an exclusive climate-controlled tent located players’ right of hole 18 featuring comfortable seating and live television coverage of the U.S. Senior Open. Food and beverage is available for an additional charge.
- **Four (4) complimentary Gallery ticket packages** which will allow Wednesday through Sunday access to the championship grounds.

In addition to the complimentary credentials above, each player may request up to two (2) complimentary credentials for their designated instructors. The “Player Instructor” credential will provide access to the Practice Facilities all week. This “Player Instructor” credential cannot be used by managers, agents or family members under any circumstance. The Instructor credential can be obtained during Player Registration onsite and the Player Services office thereafter.

## **Equipment Conformance Issues**

Players with any doubt over the conformance of their equipment should contact John Spitzer, Managing Director, Equipment Standards, at 908.310.5407 or [jspitzer@usga.org](mailto:jspitzer@usga.org). It is recommended that any concerns are raised before the start of the championship.

## **Locker Room**

The Player Locker Room will be in the Newport Country Club’s existing locker room facility within the clubhouse. A credential checkpoint will be located outside the Locker Room area. Proper credentials will be required in order to gain entry. There will be Locker Room attendants available to assist players and act as a messenger service during the week of the championship. Caddies will not be permitted in Player Hospitality or the Locker Room.

## **Merchandise**

Merchandise for the 2020 U.S. Senior Open Championship will be located players left of 18 near the Main Admission Gate. Players, their spouses and their immediate family members will be offered a 20% discount on U.S. Senior Open Merchandise. Only “Player” and “Player Guest” credentials are entitled to the discount.

## **Parking**

Complimentary valet parking will be available to all players and will be located in Lot A. Each player will be issued one (1) Lot A decal which will be available in your courtesy car. Please follow the directions provided in your Lexus courtesy car as other routes may be detoured due to championship traffic patterns.



**Player Hospitality**

Player Hospitality will be a climate controlled tented facility located near the Player Locker Room. Breakfast, lunch and afternoon snacks will be served daily, compliments of the USGA. Only players and their guests with the proper credentials may gain access into Player Hospitality. A credential scanning check-point will be located just outside the Player Hospitality area. Only “Player” and “Player Guest” credentials will grant access into this area.

**Player Mail and Package Delivery**

All player mail and packages will be delivered to the 2020 U.S. Senior Open Championship Office. The Championship Office has one address for both standard mail and packages. All mail and packages will be thoroughly screened at a postal inspection facility prior to arrival on-site. Please use the following address:

Player Name  
Attention: Player Locker Room  
2020 U.S. Senior Open Championship  
280 Harrison Avenue  
Newport, RI 02840

**Practice Facility**

Players will have access to the practice range and a short game area located at the Newport Country Club. A credential check-point will be located at the entrance to the Practice Facilities and proper credentials will be required in order to gain access. Only a player, his caddie and his instructor will have access to the Practice Facilities.

The Practice Facilities will be open during the following hours:

Friday, June 19 – Sunday, June 21 9:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.  
Monday, June 22 – Sunday, June 28 6:00 a.m.

**Practice Rounds**

Newport Country Club will be accessible, pending availability, for any player wanting to make an advance trip prior to the U.S. Senior Open Championship. Please contact Robbie Zalneck, Director, U.S. Senior Open, via cell 910.409.0465 for further details.

Players arriving early to the championship will have access to play practice rounds Friday, June 19 beginning at 1:00 p.m. through Sunday, June 21 on a first-come-first-serve basis. Official championship practice rounds are scheduled to begin on Monday, June 22. Practice round tee times for Monday-Wednesday can be secured by calling the Player Services Office (908.748.4770) or upon arrival at player registration.

The schedule for official practice round tee times is as follows:

	<b><u>Monday, June 22</u></b>	<b><u>Tuesday, June 23</u></b>	<b><u>Wednesday, June 24</u></b>
<b><u>#1 Tee</u></b>			
A.M. Start Times	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.
P.M. Start Times	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.
<b><u>#10 Tee*</u></b>			
A.M. Start Times	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.	7:15 a.m. – 9:21 a.m.
P.M. Start Times	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.	12:45 p.m. – 2:51 p.m.



### **\*Practice Rounds Attire\***

The USGA approved a change in our Player Appearance Guidelines. Players will be able to wear golf shorts during practice rounds. Shorts must be knee-length, tailored and neat in appearance. Compression leggings worn underneath shorts must be solid in color.

Please note that long pants are still required during championship rounds.

### **Registration**

Player Registration will be conducted in the Player Services Office located adjacent to the clubhouse.

Players may register beginning Sunday, June 21 at 8:00 a.m. Registration officially closes at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23.

Registration hours are the following:

Sunday, June 21	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Monday, June 22	6:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday, June 23	6:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Players must register in person during the hours listed above, unless they officially notify the USGA. Any player who has not registered on-site or has not notified the USGA by 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 23, is subject to having his spot in the championship replaced by an alternate.

If a player has any questions about the registration process, please contact the Player Services Office at 908.748.4770. If any player has a question about the actual conduct of the championship, the player may contact Ben Kimball, Director, U.S. Senior Open Championship, by cell phone at 908.217.3811.

### **Withdrawals**

If a player must withdraw from the championship, the player must advise Robbie Zalzneck, Director, U.S. Senior Open, without delay by calling 910.409.0465.

### **Two-Tee Start**

The 2020 U.S. Senior Open will utilize a two-tee start, from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tees, during the Thursday and Friday championship rounds. In addition, the two-tee start format will be used during the official practice rounds.