

ACCOMODATIONS

The USGA and the Host Club will jointly discuss and determine the accommodations plan for the championship. The USGA will be responsible for contracting the room block including: Players, USGA Staff, Future Sites, Rules Officials, and other special guests. All groups should be placed at the same hotel if possible or as few hotels as necessary to meet the rooming requirements. If multiple hotels are used, they should be in close proximity to each other for ease of transportation. Below are estimates of what the hotel block as far as room nights are needed:

Number of Hotel Rooms Required for the Championship			
Night Of:	USGA Staff, Committee, FS & Guests	Players	Total Room Nights
TOTAL	413	634	1047
Friday	1		1
Saturday	4		4
Sunday	8		8
Monday	9		9
Tuesday	13		13
Wednesday	23	75	98
Thursday - P1	64	112	176
Friday - P2	73	131	204
Saturday - SP1	73	131	204
Sunday - SP2	67	113	180
Monday - MP1	41	48	89
Tuesday - MP2&3	20	20	40
Wednesday - Q&S	18	8	26
Thursday - Final	11	4	15
Friday	1		1
TOTAL	426	642	1068

Important Factors for hotel selection are:

1. Rate – The lower the rate, the more players will use the hotel(s). The rate should be very competitive compared to other hotels in the area.
2. Location – Proximity to the Host Club is a primary factor for consideration.
3. Reservation Block vs. Usage – Players will reserve rooms for the entire week and then adjust based on their performance. Host hotel should understand that the above nights reflect actual usage and rooms will be available for public as we move through the week and the field is reduced.
4. Amenities – The Host Club and the USGA should review the hotel’s amenities if hotel selection is difficult. Items such as free parking and free internet use can save the attendees significantly over the duration of their stay.
5. Guarantee/Attrition – set a low guarantee on the agreement to ensure there will be no penalty fees such as a **departure fee**. The hotel industry commonly refers to this as “attrition”.

Private Housing

Occasionally, players will stay with host families to save money on hotel rooms and to meet more people in the local area. This is an optional offering on the part of the Host Club.

If offered, requests for private housing can either be made on the Player Pre-Registration online form or through special request. Placement of the players should be handled on a first-come, first-served basis or a lottery once qualifying ends. If

private housing is made available, the Host Club is requested to please have two or three families on stand-by for alternates who are accepted in the field at the last minute.

Below are various guidelines to assist both the host family and the player.

A letter should be sent to the potential host families and include the following information:

Some information to be communicated to any potential host family:

- Private housing will be provided from Wednesday (before Practice Rounds) through Thursday (Final Round). ***The Player should be informed that once they are eliminated from the championship, they will need to depart the private housing within 24 hours.***
- Private housing is provided for the player and at maximum one family member or guest. The first priority is to accommodate players. The USGA would appreciate if the Host Club could try to identify a few local homes where a player and his guest could stay together. Please bear in mind that sometimes a female may accompany the player. Once assigned to a house, a player may not switch houses (unless unusual circumstances prevail). In the case where a host family is willing to house more than one player, the club will do its best to assign players who ask to room together.
- The host family should realize that the range of players' ages varies.
- Other consideration should include: allergies, smoking, guest, etc.

Once the players' private housing is confirmed, share the host family and players contact information with each other. Usually the host family will meet the player at Player Registration, but arrival dates and such should be coordinated in advance.