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FAR HILLS, N.J. (Feb. 24, 2015) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced local qualifying sites for the 2015 U.S. Open Championship. The U.S. Open will be contested June 18-21 at Chambers Bay, in University Place, Wash. – the first U.S. Open in the Pacific Northwest. Local qualifying, conducted over 18 holes at 111 sites in 43 states, will take place between May 4-21.

“U.S. Open local qualifying represents the start of an exciting two-tiered process in which thousands of golfers from around the world, both professional and amateur, pursue a place in this year’s field at Chambers Bay and the opportunity to compete for our national championship,” said Diana Murphy, USGA vice president and Championship Committee chairman. “U.S. Open qualifying is conducted with the support and expertise provided by state and regional golf associations, and we appreciate their effort and commitment.”

Those players who advance out of local qualifying will compete in sectional qualifying, which will be conducted over 36 holes at 10 U.S. sites on June 8. For the 11th consecutive year, Japan and England will host international sectional qualifying, both scheduled for May 25.

In 2014, the USGA accepted a record 10,127 entries for the championship at Pinehurst Resort & Country Club’s Course No. 2, in the Village of Pinehurst, N.C. That total eclipsed the 9,860 for the 2013 championship at Merion Golf Club, in Ardmore, Pa.

Thirty-nine courses return as U.S. Open local qualifying sites from last year and several have a long history as hosts. Illini Country Club, in Springfield, Ill., has conducted a U.S. Open local qualifier since the late 1940s, while Maketewah Country Club, in Cincinnati, Ohio, has been a site for more than four decades. Riverton (Wyo.) Country Club and Genoa Lakes Golf Club, in Genoa, Nev., have hosted local qualifying since the 1990s. Collindale Golf Course, in Fort Collins, Colo., has also hosted for more than a decade.

Omaha (Neb.) Country Club and Oak Tree National, in Edmond, Okla., the sites of the 2013 and 2014 U.S. Seniors Open, respectively, are also hosting U.S. Open local qualifiers.

Three other local qualifying sites have hosted historic USGA championships. Arnold Palmer won the 1954 U.S. Amateur at the Country Club of Detroit, in Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich. Jack Nicklaus (1959 U.S. Amateur) and Annika Sorenstam (1995 U.S. Women’s Open) won USGA titles at The Broadmoor Golf Club (East Course), in Colorado Springs, Colo. Johnny Miller captured the 1964 U.S. Junior Amateur at Eugene (Ore.) Country Club.

Several local exemptions for the U.S. Open were amended prior to 2014. The top 500 point leaders and ties from the Official World Golf Ranking (as of March 2) will be exempt. Any player in the OWGR’s top 500 (as of April 27) who has filed an entry prior to the deadline of 5 p.m. EDT on April 29, will also earn a local exemption. In the past, only the top 150 point leaders were exempted.

Additionally, any player who has had multiple finishes in the top 400 of the year-ending OWGR in the past five calendar years (2010-2014) will be exempt from local qualifying.

Ken Venturi (1964) and Orville Moody (1969) are the only players to win the U.S. Open after qualifying through both local and sectional play. Last year, 24 players advanced through local and sectional qualifying to the 156-player U.S. Open Championship field at Pinehurst.

To be eligible, a player must have a Handicap Index® not exceeding 1.4, or be a professional.

There are 16 local qualifying sites in the state of Florida. Fourteen local qualifiers are scheduled in California.

Online player registration for the 2015 U.S. Open will begin in the first week of March (https://champs.usga.org/index.html).

2015 U.S. Open Championship Local Qualifying Sites (111)

Monday, May 4 (1)

Pete Dye G.C., Bridgeport, W.Va.

Thursday, May 7 (1)

Indiana C.C., Indiana, Pa.

Friday, May 8 (1)

The Club at Admirals Cove (East Course), Jupiter, Fla.

Saturday, May 9 (1)

Ka'anapali C.C. (Royal Course), Lahaina, Hawaii

Monday, May 11 (28)

Trilogy G.C. at Vistancia, Peoria, Ariz.

Barona Creek G.C., Lakeside, Calif.

Indian Ridge C.C. (Grove Course), Palm Desert, Calif.

Ruby Hill C.C., Pleasanton, Calif.

The Broadmoor G.C. (East Course), Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Heritage at Westmoor, Westminster, Colo.

Amelia National G. & C.C., Amelia Island, Fla.

Timacuan G. & C.C., Lake Mary, Fla.

TPC Prestancia (Stadium Course), Sarasota, Fla.

Willoughby G.C., Stuart, Fla.

The Legends at Chateau Elan, Braselton, Ga.

Waialae C.C., Honolulu, Hawaii

The Club at SpurWing, Meridian, Idaho

The Hawthorns G. & C.C., Fishers, Ind.

Eagle Eye G.C., East Lansing, Mich.

Edina C.C., Edina, Minn.

Blue Hills C.C., Kansas City, Mo.

Montammy G.C., Alpine, N.J.

Trump National G.C.-Philadelphia, Pine Hill, N.J.

Genoa Lakes G.C. (Lakes Course), Genoa, Nev.

TPC Summerlin, Las Vegas, Nev.

Kinsale G. & F.C., Powell, Ohio

The Patriot G.C., Ninety Six, S.C.

C.C. of Sioux Falls, Sioux Falls, S.D.

Split Rail Links & G.C., Aledo, Texas

Butterfield Trail G.C., El Paso, Texas

Glen Eagle G.C., Syracuse, Utah

The Home Course, DuPont, Wash.

Tuesday, May 12 (13)

Hot Springs C.C. (Arlington Course), Hot Springs, Ark.

Classic Club, Palm Desert, Calif.

Southern Hills Plantation G.C., Brooksville, Fla.

The G.C. of Georgia (Lakeside Course), Alpharetta, Ga.

Morris Park C.C., South Bend, Ind.

Cherry Blossom G.C., Georgetown, Ky.

Missoula C.C., Missoula, Mont.

Duke University G.C., Durham, N.C.

Beechmont C.C., Cleveland, Ohio

Catawba Island Club, Port Clinton, Ohio

Oak Tree National, Edmond, Okla.

Cedar Creek G.C., San Antonio, Texas

Wine Valley G.C., Walla Walla, Wash.

Wednesday, May 13 (12)

Ak-Chin Southern Dunes G.C., Maricopa, Ariz.

Industry Hills G.C. (Eisenhower Course), City of Industry, Calif.

Stanford University G.C., Stanford, Calif.

Shingle Creek G.C., Orlando, Fla.

Stonewall Orchard G.C., Grayslake, Ill.

Panther Valley G. & C.C., Allamuchy Township, N.J.

Elmwood C.C., White Plains, N.Y.

Willowbrook C.C., Apollo, Pa.

C.C. of Scranton, Clarks Summit, Pa.

Colonial C.C., Cordova, Tenn.

Holston Hills C.C., Knoxville, Tenn.

Onion Creek Club, Austin, Texas

Thursday, May 14 (10)

La Purisima G.C., Lompoc, Calif.

Southern Dunes G. & C.C., Haines City, Fla.

The Club at Emerald Hills, Hollywood, Fla.

Koasati Pines at Coushatta, Kinder, La.

Pinehills G.C. (Nicklaus Course), Plymouth, Mass.

Norwood Hills C.C., St. Louis, Mo.

Bethpage State Park G.C. (Red Course), Farmingdale, N.Y.

West Shore C.C., Camp Hill, Pa.

Makefield Highlands G.C., Yardley, Pa.

Amarillo C.C., Amarillo, Texas

Monday, May 18 (22)

C.C. at DC Ranch, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Bermuda Dunes C.C., Bermuda Dunes, Calif.

Sunnyside C.C., Fresno, Calif.

Woodway C.C., Darien, Conn.

Hammock Dunes Club (Creek Course), Palm Coast, Fla.

Bent Pine G.C., Vero Beach, Fla.

Camp Creek G.C., WaterSound, Fla.

Flossmoor C.C., Flossmoor, Ill.

Illini C.C., Springfield, Ill.

Crumpin-Fox Club, Bernardston, Mass.

Worthington Manor G.C., Urbana, Md.

C.C. of Detroit, Grosse Pointe Farms, Mich.

Pinewild C.C. (Magnolia Course), Pinehurst, N.C.

River Landing (River Course), Wallace, N.C.

Twin Warriors G.C., Santa Ana Pueblo, N.M.

Mendon G.C., Mendon, N.Y.

C.C. of Troy, Troy, N.Y.

Maketewah C.C., Cincinnati, Ohio

Eugene C.C., Eugene, Ore.

Deerwood G.C., Houston, Texas

Hackberry Creek C.C., Irving, Texas

Hidden Glen G.C., Cedarburg, Wis.

Tuesday, May 19 (8)

Pine Tree C.C., Birmingham, Ala.

Oak Creek G.C., Irvine, Calif.

Ironwood C.C. (South Course), Palm Desert, Calif.

Collindale G.C., Fort Collins, Colo.

Orange Tree G.C., Orlando, Fla.

The Harvester G.C., Rhodes, Iowa

Blue Mash G.C., Laytonsville, Md.

Alpine C.C., Cranston, R.I.

Wednesday, May 20 (9)

Settlers Bay G.C., Wasilla, Alaska

Sewailo G.C., Tucson, Ariz.

Silverado Resort (South Course), Napa, Calif.

Valencia C.C., Valencia, Calif.

Seagate C.C., Delray Beach, Fla.

Carrollwood C.C. (Pine/Cypress Course), Tampa, Fla.

Timber Banks G.C. & Marina, Baldwinsville, N.Y.

Oldfield Club, Okatie, S.C.

Riverton C.C., Riverton, Wyo.

Thursday, May 21 (5)

Granite Bay G.C., Granite Bay, Calif.

Old Corkscrew G.C., Estero, Fla.

Crestview C.C., Wichita, Kan.

The Links at Northfork, Ramsey, Minn.

Omaha C.C., Omaha, Neb.
