LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Feb. 24, 2020) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced the 12 final qualifying sites for the 120th U.S. Open Championship, which will be played at Winged Foot Golf Club (West Course), in Mamaroneck, N.Y., on June 18-21, 2020. Winged Foot is hosting its sixth U.S. Open and 13th USGA championship.

Final qualifying, conducted over 36 holes, will be held at eight U.S. sites – two in Ohio and one each in California, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, New York and Oregon – on Monday, June 8, and one site in Texas on Monday, May 18. For the 16th consecutive year, Japan and England will host international final qualifying, scheduled for May 25 and June 8, respectively. A final qualifier will be contested for the second time in Canada on June 8.

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The Columbus, Ohio; Purchase, N.Y.; Daly City, Calif.; and Dallas, Texas, final sites will use two courses. In Columbus, Brookside Golf and Country Club and The Lakes Golf and Country Club will combine to host final qualifying for the 15th time. Seven players from the Columbus qualifier made the 36-hole cut in last year's U.S. Open at Pebble Beach (Calif.) Golf Links. Chesson Hadley, who tied for ninth, was among that group.

Century Country Club and Old Oaks Country Club will join to host final qualifying in

Purchase for the 16th time since 1963. Lake Merced Golf Club and The Olympic Club's

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Ocean Course are paired in Northern California for the fourth time. Lakewood Country Club

and Royal Oaks Country Club will host the Dallas, Texas, qualifier. Lakewood (2013, 2017)

and Royal Oaks (1973, 1979) have twice been sites for final qualifying but will collaborate for the first time.

Woodmont Country Club, in Rockville, Md., will host U.S. Open final qualifying for the 33rd time in the last 34 years, with only the North Course used for the seventh consecutive year. Ansley Golf Club's Settindown Creek Course, in Roswell, Ga., has been a final qualifying site in alternate years since 1994 and will host for the 13th time. Springfield Country Club in Ohio will host final qualifying for the 11th consecutive year and 12th time in 13 years.

Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club's Witch Hollow Course, in North Plains, Ore., and The Club at Admiral's Cove (North/West Courses), in Jupiter, Fla., will each host a final qualifier for the first time. The Witch Hollow Course has been the site of two U.S. Women's Opens (1997, 2003) and the 1996 U.S. Amateur. The Club at Admiral's Cove was a U.S. Open local qualifying site for 11 consecutive years through 2019.

Canada is a host site for U.S. Open final qualifying for the second consecutive year. RattleSnake Point Golf Club, in Milton, Ontario, will use its CopperHead Course. Alex Prugh, who tied for 21st in last year's U.S. Open, was among five players from the Canadian qualifier who made the 36-hole cut at Pebble Beach.

Walton Heath Golf Club in England and Minagi Golf Club in Japan join Canada as international final qualifying sites. Six players made the cut in the 2019 U.S. Open after advancing from Walton Heath, which is hosting for the 16th consecutive year.

To be eligible for qualifying, a player must have a Handicap Index® not exceeding 1.4, or be a professional. Local qualifying, which will be played over 18 holes at 108 sites in the U.S. and one in Canada, takes place between April 27-May 12.

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Ken Venturi (1964) and Orville Moody (1969) are the only players to win the U.S. Open after qualifying through both local and final play. Gene Littler (1961), Julius Boros (1963), Jerry Pate (1976), Steve Jones (1996), Michael Campbell (2005) and Lucas Glover (2009) have won after advancing through final qualifying.

In 2019, the USGA accepted 9,125 entries for the championship at Pebble Beach, the eighth consecutive year that entries topped 9,000. The record of 10,127 was established for the 2014 championship at Pinehurst Resort & Country Club's Course No. 2, in the Village of Pinehurst, N.C.

Online player registration for the 2020 U.S. Open will begin in the first week of March <a href="https://champs.usga.org/index.html">https://champs.usga.org/index.html</a>) and continue through Wednesday, April 22 at 5 p.m. EDT.

## 2020 U.S. Open Final Qualifying Sites (12)

# International (3)

#### Monday, May 25

Asia – Minagi Golf Club, Hyogo Prefecture, Japan

#### Monday, June 8

Canada - RattleSnake Point Golf Club (CopperHead Course), Milton, Ontario

Europe - Walton Heath Golf Club (New and Old Courses), Surrey, England

## **United States (9)**

### Monday, May 18

Lakewood Country Club & Royal Oaks Country Club, Dallas, Texas

### Monday, June 8

Lake Merced Golf Club & The Olympic Club (Ocean Course), Daly City, Calif.

The Club at Admiral's Cove (North and West Courses), Jupiter, Fla.

Ansley Golf Club (Settindown Creek Course), Roswell, Ga.

Woodmont Country Club (North Course), Rockville, Md.

Century Country Club & Old Oaks Country Club, Purchase, N.Y.

Brookside Golf & Country Club & The Lakes Golf & Country Club, Columbus, Ohio

Springfield (Ohio) Country Club

Pumpkin Ridge Golf Club (Witch Hollow Course), North Plains, Ore.

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