

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Feb. 26, 2019) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced sectional qualifying sites for the 74th U.S. Women's Open Championship, which will be contested May 30-June 2, 2019 at the Country Club of Charleston in Charleston, S.C.

Conducted over 36 holes, sectional qualifying will be held at 25 courses, including four international sites, between April 22 and May 8. The championship is open to female professionals and amateurs with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 2.4. Online entry applications are available now and continue through Wednesday, April 17, at 5 p.m. EDT at champs.usga.org.

"Our partners at allied golf associations across the country, as well as several international organizations, play an integral role in allowing the U.S. Women's Open to conduct sectional qualifying for the ultimate test in women's golf," said John Bodenhamer, senior managing director, championships. "We thank them for their contributions and look forward to the 74th playing of the U.S. Women's Open at the end of May in Charleston."

For the sixth consecutive year, U.S. Women's Open sectional qualifying will be conducted in England, Japan, the People's Republic of China and the Republic of Korea. Three courses return as international sites: Ohtone Country Club in Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan, on April 22, Dream Park Country Club in Incheon, Republic of Korea, on April 25, and Buckinghamshire Golf Club in Buckinghamshire, England, on May 7, which will host for the fifth consecutive year.

California has the most sectional sites with four, while Florida will host three.

For the 11th consecutive year, Industry Hills Golf Club, near Los Angeles, Calif., will host U.S. Women's Open sectional qualifying. The club was also a sectional site in 1980 and 1982.

The 74th U.S. Women's Open will be the second USGA championship conducted at the Country Club of Charleston. The club previously hosted the 2013 U.S. Women's Amateur Championship, won by Emma Talley, 2 and 1, over Yueer Cindy Feng.

The U.S. Women's Open is a walking-only, 72-hole stroke-play competition over four consecutive days. There will be a 36-hole cut including the top 50 players and ties. The USGA accepted 1,592 entries for the 2018 U.S. Women's Open at Shoal Creek in Birmingham, Ala. which was won by Ariya Jutanugarn of Thailand. The record of 1,873 entries was established for the 2015 championship at Lancaster (Pa.) Country Club, which will again host the U.S. Women's Open in 2024.

Considered the world's premier women's golf championship, the U.S. Women's Open is one of 14 national championships conducted annually by the USGA. The championship began in 1946 and its winners include Babe Didrikson Zaharias, Betsy Rawls, Mickey Wright, Hollis Stacy, Amy Alcott, Meg Mallon, Annika Sorenstam, Se Ri Pak, Juli Inkster, Cristie Kerr, Paula Creamer, Inbee Park and Michelle Wie.

For more information, visit uswomensopen.com.

2019 U.S. Women's Open Sectional Qualifying Sites (25)

Monday, April 22 (1)

Ohtone Country Club, Ibaraki Prefecture, Japan

Tuesday, April 23 (1)

Forsgate Country Club (Banks Course), Monroe Township, N.J.

Wednesday, April 24 (1)

Industry Hills Golf Club (Ike Course), City of Industry, Calif.

Thursday, April 25 (2)

Dream Park Country Club, Incheon, Republic of Korea

OGA Golf Course, Woodburn, Ore.

Monday, April 29 (4)

Contra Costa Country Club, Pleasanton, Calif.

Rancho Santa Fe Golf Club, Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

Country Club of Ocala, Ocala, Fla.

Starmount Forest Country Club, Greensboro, N.C.

Tuesday, April 30 (1)

Springfield Golf & Country Club, Springfield, Va.

Thursday, May 2 (1)

Canyon Creek Country Club, Richardson, Texas

Sunday, May 5 (1)

Hong Kong Golf Club, Hong Kong, People's Republic of China

Monday, May 6 (10)

Pinnacle Peak Country Club, Scottsdale, Ariz.

Marin Country Club, Novato, Calif.

Walnut Creek Golf Preserve, Westminster, Colo.

Bradenton Country Club, Bradenton, Fla.

The Wanderers Club, Wellington, Fla.

Druid Hills Golf Club, Atlanta, Ga.

Oahu Country Club, Honolulu, Hawaii

Elgin Country Club, Elgin, Ill.

TPC Boston, Norton, Mass.

Chartiers Country Club, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Tuesday, May 7 (2)

Buckinghamshire Golf Club, Buckinghamshire, England

Rush Creek Golf Club, Maple Grove, Minn.

Wednesday, May 8 (1)

The Clubs of Kingwood (Island Course), Kingwood, Texas

Sectional qualifying sites and dates are subject to change. For the most up-to-date list, visit usga.org/applytoplay.

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