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LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Oct. 21, 2020) – The USGA announced today that due to ongoing health and safety concerns from the COVID-19 pandemic, the 75th U.S. Women's Open Championship, scheduled for Dec. 10-13 at Champions Golf Club in Houston, Texas, will be conducted without spectators on-site.

"Following extensive consultation with health officials, we have decided that hosting the U.S. Women's Open without spectators will provide the best opportunity to conduct the championship safely for all involved," said John Bodenhamer, the USGA's senior managing director of Championships. "While we are disappointed that we won't be able to welcome fans and their unmatched energy at Champions Golf Club, we know this is the right decision for the community and players."

The USGA announced on April 3 that the 75th U.S. Women's Open, initially scheduled for June 4-7, would be moved to Dec. 10-13. To account for reduced daylight, the Jackrabbit Course at Champions Golf Club will be used in conjunction with the Cypress Creek Course, which was originally slated to host all four rounds of championship play. In June, it was announced that the championship would be conducted without traditional qualifying.

"We are thankful to Champions Golf Club for its continued flexibility and dedication to making the 75th U.S. Women's Open possible," said Bodenhamer. "Jack and Robin Burke and the rest of the club have been true partners as we navigate these unprecedented times."

Tickets purchased directly through the USGA will be automatically refunded to the method of payment used to purchase the tickets. Additional information on U.S. Women's Open ticket refunds can be found here.

"While 2020 has brought unique challenges to conducting the U.S. Women's Open, we have used it as an opportunity to innovate and find new, exciting ways to bring the championship to life for fans around the world," said Craig Annis, chief brand officer of the USGA. "Through our partnership with NBCUniversal and our digital platforms, fans will have unparalleled access to the championship and players across all their devices."

Fans will be able to experience the championship by watching on NBC/Golf Channel, following along on uswomensopen.com, downloading the U.S. Women's Open app, following @uswomensopen on social media and downloading the USGA streaming app for connected devices.

About the USGA

The USGA is a nonprofit organization that celebrates, serves and advances the game of golf. Founded in 1894, we conduct many of golf's premier professional and amateur championships, including the U.S. Open and U.S. Women's Open. With The R&A, we govern the sport via a global set of playing, equipment, handicapping and amateur status rules. The USGA campus in Liberty Corner, New Jersey, is home to the Association's Research and Test Center, where science and innovation are fueling a healthy and sustainable game for the future. The campus is also home to the USGA Golf Museum, where we honor the game by curating the world's most comprehensive archive of golf artifacts. To learn more, visit usga.org.

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