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TO: 2016 U.S. Open Championship Local Qualifying Contestants at Durham, NC  
FROM: Chris Zeh, Carolin's Golf Association  
DATE: **Updated April 29, 2016**  
TOPIC: Duke University Golf Club, Durham, NC Qualifying Contestant Information

## Starting Time

Please click the below link to view your starting time on Monday, May 9 at Duke University Golf Club in Durham, NC.

Starting times: <http://www.ghintpp.com/carolin'sgolf/TPPOnlineScoring/Pairings.aspx?ID=1657>

Results: <http://www.ghintpp.com/carolin'sgolf/TPPOnlineScoring/ResultsStroke.aspx?id=1657>

## Format, Caddies and USGA Policies

U.S. Open Local qualifying is 18 holes of stroke play. Playoffs for qualifying spots and alternate positions will begin as soon as the need is determined. Players must make themselves available at the scoreboard to receive playoff instructions. Qualifiers will receive sectional qualifying information from their chosen sectional qualifying site official-in-charge after all local qualifiers have been completed. Alternates will be contacted by the USGA if a sectional qualifying spot becomes available.

Players are required to walk in all phases of the championship (including local and sectional qualifying) and that you are responsible for providing your own caddie. Caddies will **NOT** be available at Duke University Golf Club. Players may carry their own bag without the use of a caddie during the qualifying round. Club has 10 pull-carts available on a first come-first serve basis and personal pull-carts are allowed. Caddies will be allowed to rent a cart for the qualifying round at this site for \$25.00. However, caddies may have to share carts during the qualifying round as not more than two carts are allowed per group. Check in the golf shop to rent a caddie cart.

**The USGA prohibits the use of cellular phones and distance measuring devices during qualifying and championship rounds.** Also, the USGA does not allow spectator carts or spectators to ride in a caddie cart during qualifying rounds or the championship proper. Spectators with a bona fide handicap must request a cart in advance of the qualifier. A limited number will be available. Requests must be sent to Chris Zeh at the CGA office.

Traditional metal spikes are **NOT** allowed. The penalty for non-compliance is disqualification. The "One-Ball" rule will be in effect.

USGA Hard Card rules sheet is available online at: [Rules Sheet](#)

## New Grooves Rule Condition of Competition in Effect for U.S. Open Local Contestants

In Local Qualifying (first stage), Sectional Qualifying (second stage) and in the Championship proper, the player's clubs must conform to the groove specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from January 1, 2010. The condition of competition is available for review on the U.S. Open Championship entry application. The USGA and R&A have created a reference resource called the Informational Club Database to assist golfers in determining whether their irons, hybrids and fairway woods comply with the New Grooves Rule Specifications. For information about and to access the database, please use the following link: <http://www.usga.org/InfoClubsDB/intro.html>

\*Penalty for Carrying, But Not Making Stroke with, Club or Clubs in Breach of Condition: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.

\*Penalty for Making Stroke with Club in Breach of Condition: Disqualification

## Qualifying Spots and Playoffs

5 qualifying spots and 2 alternate positions are available at this site. The number of qualifying spots will be updated at [www.carolin'sgolf.org](http://www.carolin'sgolf.org) if necessary. There are 84 competitors in the field. An on-course playoff is used to determine the last qualifying spot or an alternate position. Players are responsible for making themselves available at the scoreboard for playoff instructions.

## Duke University Golf Club Information

Address: 3001 Cameron Blvd, Durham, NC 27705

Director of Golf/General Manager: Ed Ibarguen; Head Golf Professional: Brent Bowen; Superintendent: Billy Weeks

Golf Shop Phone: 919-681-2288. Golf Shop Hours: 7:00am-7:00pm

Practice Facility Hours: 7:00am-7:00pm; Website: [www.golf.duke.edu](http://www.golf.duke.edu)

Map to Club: <https://goo.gl/maps/9nVIS>

Locker Room: Players will have access to the men's locker room.

Dress Code: Shirts must have collars and be tucked-in; shorts are allowed but must be Bermuda length, and no denim. The policy is for both players and caddies.

## Practice Round/Qualifying Round Fees

You are entitled to one practice round on May 2-3 (anytime) or Sunday, May 8 (Sunday must be after 2:00pm) when tee times are available. There is a **mandatory** \$35.00 cart/range fee for the practice round. You may call the Duke University GC golf shop 7 days in advance to schedule a practice round tee time. Make sure to identify yourself as a U.S. Open Championship qualifying participant. It would be helpful if you make your own game before calling.

Any caddie that rents a cart is subject to a \$25.00 cart fee on May 9. No other fees are due to the club. Range balls are complimentary.

Duke University GC accepts **Cash, MasterCard, Visa, Discover and American Express** for cart/range fees and golf shop purchases.

Play the course yardage denoted below during your practice round. Note that tee locations are subject to change.

## Course Set-Up and Yardage (Course Rating: 73.9/141) Note: Yardage is subject to change.

Hole	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Out	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	In	Total
Yardage	443	430	395	160	399	400	573	173	493	3466	441	573	181	405	550	216	402	439	455	3662	7128
Par	4	4	4	3	4	4	5	3	5	36	4	5	3	4	5	3	4	4	4	36	72

**Food and Beverage**

The club's turn house window at the clubhouse will be open for food and beverage service. More formal dining options are available inside the Washington Duke Inn. Club accepts cash, MasterCard, Visa, Discover, and American Express for food and beverage purchases.

**Lodging**

There are several lodging options in the Duke University area. The closest hotel is the Washington Duke Inn (800-443-3853) located adjacent to the golf course. A discounted rate of \$139.00+ is available on May 8 based upon availability for either a King or 2 Queen room. Ask for the "USGA" rate.

**Qualifying Schedule****May 2-3, or 8**

Tee times available for practice round. Call golf shop 7 days in advance for a starting time.

**Monday, May 9**

Qualifying round: 18 holes of stroke play. Playoffs for qualifying spots and alternates immediately following play.

**Wednesday, May 11**

Rain Date (if necessary)

**Pace of Play Policy**

A player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds is subject to a warning and will be so advised. The player will be notified that exceeding 40 seconds on one more occasion will result in a penalty of one stroke. A third violation will result in a two stroke penalty, followed by disqualification. A player's time to play begins when he has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball and when it is the player's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than one competitor in a group may be penalized.

Call me at the CGA office at 910-673-1000 or e-mail me at [Chris.Zeh@carolinasgolf.org](mailto:Chris.Zeh@carolinasgolf.org) if you have any questions. Good luck!

**Important Phone Numbers**

Duke University Golf Club	919-681-2288
United States Golf Association	908-234-2300
Carolinas Golf Association	910-673-1000