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# 43<sup>RD</sup> NEBRASKA MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

*conducted by the Nebraska Golf Association  
Omaha Country Club  
June 28-July 2, 2010*

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COMPLETELY EXECUTED ENTRY MUST BE **RECEIVED** BY NO LATER THAN **5 P.M. C.D.T. ON TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010**, AT THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS: **NEBRASKA GOLF ASSOCIATION, 6618 SOUTH 118TH STREET, OMAHA, NE 68137.**

(ENTRIES BY TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH, OR FAX ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE.)

**APPLICATION FOR ENTRY – PRE-QUALIFYING FEE: \$65; EXEMPT FEE: \$125**

Please print name by which you wish to be identified. Fill in every applicable blank, or entry may be rejected.  
Entry fee payable to the Nebraska Golf Association.

**Pre-Qualifying Sites: (Maximum field size per site: 60 players)**

\_\_\_\_\_ Thursday, June 17 – Wild Horse Golf Club, Gothenburg  
\_\_\_\_\_ Saturday, June 19 – Oakland Golf Club, Oakland  
\_\_\_\_\_ Monday, June 21 – Ashland Country Club, Ashland  
\_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday, June 22 – The Pines Country Club, Valley  
  
\_\_\_\_\_ Exempt Player \*\*

Please number (1-3) your top three choices for pre-qualifiers. If a site is filled prior to the close of entries, the NGA will assign entrants to their next available site of choice. Exempt players please check the spot allocated for exempt players.

\*\* See attached document for complete information on exemptions.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Select the fee that applies: Pre-Qualifying Fee: \$65 or Exempt Fee: \$125  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Donation to the Nebraska Golf Association  
\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total

**NAME** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP CODE** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-MAIL** \_\_\_\_\_

**GHIN NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_

**HOME CLUB or COURSE** \_\_\_\_\_

I want information sent to me via (circle one):            U.S. Mail            E-mail

\_\_\_\_\_ **RESERVE CART – PRE-QUALIFIER**

\_\_\_\_\_ **RESERVE CART - CHAMPIONSHIP**

**By submission of this entry I agree to the following:**

I agree to the Championship regulations included herewith. I have noted requirements for notice of withdrawal and registration at the Pre-Qualifying and/or Championship site.

I agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal and sole liability for all such risks.

I agree that this entry is subject to rejection at any time (including during the Championship) by the NGA. The reason for rejection may include unbecoming conduct.

I agree that the responsibility for ensuring this application is received by the NGA by no later than 5 P.M. C.D.T. on Tuesday, June 15, 2010, is mine alone and that this application will be automatically rejected if received by the NGA after such date and time. I agree that the risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with me and that the NGA has no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences therefrom, including rejection of this entry.

**PLAYER'S SIGNATURE** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_

## ELIGIBILITY

Entrant must be an amateur golfer who is a resident of Nebraska and a member of the Nebraska Golf Association.

## Pre-Qualifying

Unless exempt, an entrant must qualify for the Championship Proper through Pre-Qualifying. The number of qualifier's places at each location will be determined by the NGA after entries close, based on size and playing quality of the field. A tie for the last qualifier's place or an alternate's place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off. A contestant may enter only once and attempt to pre-qualify only one day, at one site.

If a pre-qualifying site has more than 60 players the excess players will be transferred to another pre-qualifying site. The date of the alternate pre-qualifying site may be different than the original requested date. Excess players will be determined based on order of entry.

Qualifiers that withdrawal from the championship proper will be replaced by alternates from the same qualifying site. The order of alternates selected will be based upon pre-qualifying score and performance in any subsequent play-off at the pre-qualifying site. If an exempt player withdraws after the entry deadline, the open spot will be filled by a pre-qualifying alternate. The pre-qualifying site used to fill the open spot will be based upon the NGA's re-allotment list published following the close of entries.

**Exempt Players:** Refer to exemption list attached to this application.

**Exception:** If less than 180 entries are received by the June 15, 2010 deadline, the Nebraska Golf Association will cancel pre-qualifying and the non-exempt field will be limited to the players with the lowest active USGA Handicap Indexes as of the fifth revision, dated June 9, 2010.

The championship field will be limited to 144 players.

**Amateur Status:** All players must conform with the USGA Rules of Amateur Status as specified in the USGA Rules of Golf.

## ENTRIES; FORM, FEE, CLOSING DATE

All players shall apply on NGA forms. Forms may be obtained from the NGA office or NGA web site, [www.nebgolf.org](http://www.nebgolf.org).

*Players attempting to pre-qualify must pay a \$65 fee. All successful pre-qualifiers must pay an additional \$60 prior to the championship. Exempt players must pay an entry fee of \$125. Entry fee will be refunded regardless of reason if the NGA (402-505-4653) is notified before the close of entries. After the close of entries, fee will be refunded in the case of injury or illness, if requested by the first day of competition. No refund for any reason after the first day of competition. A \$25 service charge will be deducted from all refunds.*

## ENTRY APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY NGA NO LATER THAN 5 P.M. CDT ON TUESDAY, JUNE 15, 2010.

Late applications are not acceptable and will be automatically rejected. (Entries by telephone, telegraph, or FAX not acceptable.) Time limit for entries means time of receipt at NGA (not time entry is sent to NGA). Entries should be submitted early to allow ample time for delay or error in transmission. The risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with the entrant and the NGA shall have no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences therefrom, including rejection of the entry.

## SCHEDULE

Competition will be in two stages.

### 1. Pre-Qualifying

18-holes stroke play. For all except exempt players listed herein. Schedule of pre-qualifying sites is listed on the application.

### 2. Championship

A) Stroke Play – 18 Holes stroke play to determine 62 qualifiers for match play. The 2009 champion and runner-up are exempt from qualifying. A tie for the last qualifier's place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off.

MONDAY, JUNE 28, 18-holes.

B) Match Play – General numerical draw will be used. For purposes of determining places in the draw, ties in qualifying rounds will be decided by a blind draw, except that places of those participating in a play-off will be determined by the order on the public scoreboard summary and by performance in the play-off.

TUESDAY, JUNE 29, First Round, 18-holes.

WEDNESDAY A.M., JUNE 30, Second Round, 18-holes.

WEDNESDAY P.M., JUNE 30, Third Round, 18-holes.

THURSDAY A.M., JULY 1, Quarterfinal Round, 18-holes.

THURSDAY P.M., JULY 1, Semifinal Round, 18-holes.

FRIDAY, JULY 2, Final, 36-holes.

*In the event of a tied match, (a) the winner will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off and (b) the stipulated round is deemed to extend to as many holes as are required for a match to be won.*

## PRIZES

**WINNER:** Custody of championship trophy and commemorative framed bracket.

**RUNNER-UP:** Crystal trophy.

**LOWEST QUALIFYING SCORE:** Silver medal; if a tie, duplicate medals will be awarded.

**MATCH PLAY QUALIFIERS:** Gold medal.

**MERCHANDISE PRIZES:** TBA

## PRE-QUALIFYING ROUNDS

Lowest Score: Silver medal; if a tie, duplicate medals awarded.

## RULES OF GOLF; CLOSE OF COMPETITION

Play will be governed by the Rules of Golf as approved by the USGA. Questions shall be settled by the Nebraska Match Play Championship Committee, whose decision shall be final. Competition shall be deemed to have closed when the Championship trophy has been presented.

## GOLF BALLS

Only brands of golf balls on the most current USGA List of Conforming Golf Balls may be used. This list is updated monthly and may be found on the USGA web site at [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org) or by contacting the USGA technical Department at (908) 234-2300.

## FOOTWEAR

It is a condition of the competition that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION.

## CADDIES

A player may provide his own caddie. If he wishes the host club to furnish a caddie, he should ask the NGA because sufficient caddies may not be available at the host club.

## PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION

By submitting an application, the player agrees to allow the NGA to use the player's photographic/video image for any NGA media related use(s).

## SCORE POSTING

All qualifying scores will be posted for handicap purposes. Players should not post these scores individually.

## TRANSPORTATION

Automotive transportation is permitted.

## TIME OF STARTING

Note under Rule 6-3 and Optional Condition as prescribed in Appendix I shall be in effect.

## PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Pre-Qualifying Rounds

Practice Rounds may be available for a fee at the discretion of the host facility.

Championship

Information regarding championship practice rounds may be found on the championship web site beginning April 1, 2010.

## CONDITIONS; SCHEDULES

The NGA Tournament Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions and schedules herein. The decision of the NGA Tournament Committee in any matter shall be final.

## PERSONAL APPEARANCE

Players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. The Committee in charge shall decide whether this requirement has been met, and has authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply.

## TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

A memo to contestants including groupings and starting times will be mailed or e-mailed after the close of entries. If you have not received a memo within three days of the Pre-Qualifier or Championship, it is your responsibility to contact the NGA Championship Department. Tournament information will also be available at [www.nebgolf.org](http://www.nebgolf.org).

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**2010 EXEMPTIONS FROM PRE-QUALIFYING**

Players in the following categories will be exempt from pre-qualifying.

A complete list of exempt players is available on the Nebraska Match Play Championship web site at [http://www.nebgolf.org/Tournaments/matchplay/players\\_exemptions.html](http://www.nebgolf.org/Tournaments/matchplay/players_exemptions.html).

Exempt players who wish to participate in the championship must file an entry no later than 5 p.m. C.D.T. on Tuesday, June 15, 2010.

**NEBRASKA GOLF ASSOCIATION**

- A. Winners of the Nebraska Match Play Championship for the last five years (2005-2009)
- B. Winners of the Nebraska Amateur Championship for the last five years (2005-2009)
- C. Winners of the Nebraska Mid-Amateur Championship for the last three years (2007-2009)
- D. Winner of the Nebraska Senior Amateur Championship for the last three years (2008-2010)
- E. Winner of the Nebraska Four-Ball Championship for the last three years (2008-2010)
- F. Low Amateur at the 2009 Nebraska Open
- G. Winner of the 2009 Nebraska Junior Amateur Championship
- H. Winner of the 2010 Nebraska Junior Match Play Championship
- I. Round of 32 Participants from the 2009 Nebraska Match Play Championship
- J. From the 2009 Nebraska Amateur Championship, the lowest 20 scorers and anyone tying for 20th place
- K. From the 2009 Nebraska Mid-Amateur Championship, the lowest 10 scorers and anyone tying for 10th place
- L. From the 2010 Nebraska Senior Amateur Championship, the lowest 5 scorers and anyone tying for 5th place
- M. From the **NGA PLAYER RANKINGS**, the top 50-point leaders and ties as of Monday, June 14, 2010.
- N. Playing members of the 2009 Nebraska Cup Team
- O. Playing members of the Nebraska Directors Cup Team for the last two years (2008-2009)
- P. Playing members of the 2009 Nebraska Junior Cup Team
- Q. Nebraska Amateur Golfer of the Year Award recipients for the last five years (2005-2009)
- R. Nebraska Junior Amateur Golfer of the Year Award recipients for the last two years (2008-2009)
- S. Host Club Exemptions (2)
- T. Special Exemptions selected by the NGA Board of Directors

**NEBRASKA JUNIOR GOLF TOUR**

- U. 2009 NJGT Overall Boy's All-Star Team honorees

**UNITED STATES GOLF ASSOCIATION**

- V. Qualifiers for a U.S. Open Championship Sectional for the last three years (2008-2010)
- W. Qualifiers for the U.S. Senior Open for the last three years (2007-2009)
- X. Qualifiers for the U.S. Amateur Championship for the last three years (2007-2009)
- Y. Qualifiers for the U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship for the last three years (2007-2009)
- Z. Qualifiers for the U. S. Amateur Public Links Championship for the last three years (2007-2009)
- AA. Qualifiers for the U.S. Junior Amateur Championship for the last three years (2007-2009)
- BB. Qualifiers for the 2009 USGA Senior Amateur Championship
- CC. Playing members of the Nebraska USGA State Team for the last two years (2008-2009)