



## 2019 United States Golf Challenge™ – Local Qualifier Overview

### Format

Local Qualifiers are two player 18-hole Best-ball competitions with Net scoring.

### Participating Sites

We are presently accepting Host Sites for 2019 Local Qualifiers.

### Registration

Teams will register on the USGC™ website for tournament fees and green fees. USGC will pay green fees to course.

### Entry Fees

The entry fee for the Local Qualifiers is \$90 per team plus green fees. Host Course sets green fees and will receive 100% of Green Fees.

### Tournament Dates

Local Qualifiers should be scheduled between February 1, 2019 and August 15, 2019. The **USGC King's Cup National Qualifier** will be hosted September 12-14, 2019 at Legends Resort, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

### Prizes

Teams are competing for the opportunity to qualify for the **USGC King's Cup National Qualifier**. The top 30% teams and ties in the field will earn invitations to the **USGC King's Cup National Qualifier**.

Winning teams at a Local Qualifier with at least 15 teams will earn a **free** entry into the **USGC King's Cup National Qualifier** compliments of Tito's Handmade Vodka. Every 15 teams will create a new flight and another **free** entry into the **USGC King's Cup National Qualifier**.

\$20 per team entry will be allocated to purchasing gift cards from the host course pro shop. These gift cards will be used for the prize pool and distributed as the host course chooses. The host course may add to the prize pool or add F+B in the course fee. Cash side games are permitted. (Minimum 8 teams)

### Local Qualifier Format

Local Qualifiers are one-day 18-hole tournaments. Two-person teams compete in Best Ball stroke play with Net Scoring. The top 30% of the field and ties earn invitations to the USGC King's Cup National Qualifier at Legends Resort, Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

There are no flights at the Local Qualifier level, unless 30 or more teams are entered. However, each team must conform to one of the Divisions and Flights below.

See below for the USGC Divisions and Flights at the USGC King's Cup National Qualifier.

### **Divisions**

There are two divisions - Open Division and Senior Division. The Open Division is open to all ages. The Senior Division is for Players 55 years of age and above prior to their Local Qualifier. A Player that is 55+ is allowed to compete in the Open division, but a player that is under 55 is not allowed to compete in the Senior Division.

While there is not a separate Women's Division, women will compete from the same tees from which their index was established.

### **Flights**

Both the Open and Senior Divisions have the same 4 flights based on the **Team Index** as follows:

**Championship** – under 5.0

**A Flight** – 5.0-9.9

**B Flight** – 10.0-14.9

**C Flight** – 15.0 and above

The official USGA handicap indexes of both players are added together and divided by two. The resulting number is their Team Index and places them within a flight in their age division. The USGC recognizes any official USGA index that is current and verifiable online.

No team can have a handicap index differential greater than 8, i.e. a player with a 10.0 can play with a player with a 24.0, but in calculating their Team Index the 24.0 must be reduced to a 18.0 the Team Index would be 14.0

### **Course Registration**

Courses wishing to participate as a Local Qualifying Host Site may register using our online registration form at [www.usgolfchallenge.com](http://www.usgolfchallenge.com).

### **Contact**

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