

95th NYS Men's Amateur Championship
Bethpage Black (Farmingdale, NY)
August 8-10, 2017



FORMAT & CUT INFORMATION

This championship is a three-day 72-hole stroke play competition. The field will be cut after 36 holes to the low 40 players and ties.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Listed below is the tentative schedule of events for this year's championship at Bethpage. Please note that this schedule is subject to change. Any changes will necessitate an email to the field with an update.

Monday, August 7 - Registration and Practice Round

9:30am - 5:00pm..... Player registration
10:30am - 4:00pm..... Practice rounds

Tuesday, August 8 - Round 1

7:30am - 9:30am..... **Round 1** (morning wave) from tees #1 and #10
11:00am - 3:00pm..... Complimentary lunch for contestants
12:30pm - 2:30pm..... **Round 1** (afternoon wave) from tees #1 and #10

Wednesday, August 9 - Round 2

7:30am - 9:30am..... **Round 2** (morning wave) from tees #1 and #10
11:00am - 3:00pm..... Complimentary lunch for contestants
12:30pm - 2:30pm..... **Round 2** (afternoon wave) from tees #1 and #10
Cut after 36 holes to low 40 players and ties, and anyone within 10 strokes of the lead.

Thursday, August 10 - Rounds 3 & 4

7:30am - 9:30am..... **Round 3** from tees #1 and #10
11:00am - 3:00pm..... Complimentary lunch for contestants
12:30pm - 2:30pm..... **Round 4** from tees #1 and #10

PAIRINGS

Pairings for Rounds 1 & 2 will be available and emailed to players on Monday, July 31. If you have a tee time request (AM/PM or PM/AM for R1/RD), we will do our best to accommodate you, but you must email it to Brandon Grzywacz at brandon@nysga.org. All tee time requests must be received by July 28 at 5:00pm.

START OF PLAY & 10TH TEE SHUTTLE

Contestants are to report to their assigned starting tees, ready to play, 10 minutes before their scheduled starting times. Caddie arrangements should be completed before players report.

The 10th tee shuttles will depart from the forecourt outside the main clubhouse entrance. Shuttle vans will leave for the 10th tee 20 minutes prior to your tee time. Shuttle vans will not wait for you or your caddie.

REGISTRATION

It is requested that players register in-person at Bethpage on Monday, August 7. At registration players will receive important information for the event, receive their tee gift and yardage book, and have their profile picture taken for online scoring. Registration, which will take place from 9:30am – 4:00pm, will be located on the first tee at Bethpage Black.

If a player cannot register in person on Monday, please register by calling Deb Spilman, NYSGA Administrative Assistant, at (315) 471-6979.

PRACTICE ROUNDS

Practice rounds are available for registered players on Monday, August 7 from 10:30am until 4:00pm. Players will not

be able to schedule tee times until July 21, 2017. An email will be sent out to players shortly before this date with instructions on how to secure a practice round tee time. DO NOT CALL BETHPAGE TO SCHEDULE A PRACTICE ROUND ON AUGUST 7.

CADDIES

To secure a caddie through the club, call the pro shop at Bethpage (516-249-4040) and identify yourself as a participant in the 2017 NYS Men's Amateur and that you'd like to reserve a caddie. The fee is \$80 per round plus gratuity.

A player may provide his own caddie, but will be required to rent a Bethpage caddie bib through the Bethpage pro shop. The fee is \$5 per round, payable in the pro shop. A deposit of \$20 and a license is required.

RANGE

The pro shop and driving range will open at 6:30am. Practice balls will be provided complimentary to all players. The driving range at Bethpage is a limited distance range (no drivers!) with all practice from range mats.

HANDICAP CARTS

There are no golf carts permitted on Bethpage Black for spectators. If a spectator has limited mobility, they may request special assistance through the NYSGA to provide shuttling to viewing areas on the golf course. Please send a request to Deb Spilman at deb@nysga.org.

FOOD SERVICE

The halfway house on hole #6 will be open to play throughout the week. Water bottles and fruit/snacks will be provided on the golf course for players/caddies. The restaurant at the state park, Carlyle on the Green, will be open for the duration of this championship.

CONTESTANT LUNCHES

Lunch will be provided for all contestants on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11:00am until 3:00pm. Contestants must check-in at the registration table at lunch to receive this complimentary meal. Lunch will be served in the Bethpage clubhouse.

Lunch for spectators and caddies will be available for purchase at \$25 per person (cash/check).

ACCOMODATIONS

Due to low pickups in past years, the NYSGA does not have a room block with a hotel for this championship. A wide array of hotel options are available within a 10-15 minute drive of the golf course. Listed below is a small sampling of the hotels available close to the park:

Hotel	Distance	Website (Clickable)
Hilton Garden Inn Melville	4.7 miles	Website
Holiday Inn Plainview-Long Island	6.2 miles	Website
Hilton Long Island/Huntington	5.2 miles	Website
Courtyard by Marriott Farmingdale	3.4 miles	Website
TownPlace Suites by Marriott Farmingdale	3.4 miles	Website
Bethpage Hotel	2.4 miles	Website
Extended Stay America - Bethpage	4.0 miles	Website

If you need assistance locating a hotel, feel free to contact the NYSGA office.

LOCAL RULES AND CONDITIONS

Listed below are a number of important Conditions of Competition and Local Rules for this championship:

- **Local Rules and Conditions of Competition for 2017 NYSGA Championships:** See attached.
- **Notice to Players and Hole Locations:** Will be available at the starter's box on the 1st and 10th tees at Bethpage. The hole locations will remain the same for both stipulated rounds.

- **Conforming Clubs and Balls:** Visit the USGA website (www.usga.org) for a list of approved golf balls and drivers for the competition.
- **Distance-Measuring Devices:** The Local Rule allowing the use of distance-measuring devices will be in effect.
- **One Ball Rule:** The “One Ball Rule”, requiring the use of a single brand/model golf ball for the entire stipulated round, will not be in effect.

GOLF COURSE SETUP

The golf course will be setup to approximately 6,850-7,000 yards depending on weather conditions. A scorecard with estimated hole yardages will be provided during registration on Monday.

PACE OF PLAY

It is a condition of this competition that the player shall play without undue delay and in accordance with any pace of play guidelines that the “Committee may establish” and with the prescribed penalties for slow play. The NYSGA will be closely monitoring the pace of play in this championship. NYSGA Pace of Play Policy will be sent directly to players in the field as a separate email and will be available at registration.

WITHDRAWALS

If you must withdraw, please contact the NYSGA at (315) 471-6979.

CLUB INFORMATION

Bethpage State Park Golf Course
99 Quaker Meeting House Road
Farmingdale, NY 11735
<https://parks.ny.gov/golf-courses/11/hours-of-operation.aspx>

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