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USGA REAFFIRMS RULINGS ON GROOVES

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FAR HILLS, N.J. — The United States Golf Association has reaffirmed the 30-degree method of measuring grooves on iron clubs.

The Executive Committee also announced that it will seek input from the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland; golf club manufacturers; the professional tours; the PGA of America; and other interested persons, for the purpose of formulating tighter clubface specifications, to be included in the Rules of Golf, effective January 1, 1992.

The 30-degree method will become effective for all play on January 1, 1996 and for USGA championships in 1990.

The Royal and Ancient Golf Club and the European Tour also have approved the adoption of the 30-degree method for their competitions, beginning in 1990.

The text of the USGA Executive Committee resolution:

RESOLVED, (1) that the pre-existing actions with respect to U-grooves taken at the Executive Committee meetings of June 23, 1987 and January 29, 1988 will remain in effect; and (2) that the USGA will seek input from the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, Scotland; golf club manufacturers; the professional tours; the PGA of America; and other interested persons, for the purpose of formulating tighter clubface specifications, to be included in the Rules of Golf, effective January 1, 1992.

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