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street & number Hulton Road \_ not for publication Oakmont Borough city, town Plum Borough vicinity of Pennsylvania state code Allegheny county code 3, Classification Status Category Ownership **Present Use** \_\_\_ district \_ public X occupied agriculture museum X private \_ building(s) unoccupied commercial \_\_ park \_ structure \_ both work in progress educational \_\_ private residence Х **Public Acquisition** Accessible entertainment site <u>N/A</u> in process X yes: restricted government \_ object \_\_ scientific being considered yes: unrestricted industrial \_ transportation no military  $\underline{x}$  other: recreation **Owner of Property** 

#### Oakmont Country Club name P.O. Box Golf street & number Oakmont state Pennsylvania 15139-1199 city, town vicinity of Location of Legal Description 5. courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Allegheny County Office Building street & number Ross Street Pittsburgh city, town state Pennsylvania 15219 **Representation in Existing Surveys** 6. Pennsylvania Historic Resources Survey/ has this property been determined eligible? yes title Allegheny County Survey no 1983 date federal X\_state \_\_ county local depository for survey records Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

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## 7. Description

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#### Summary

The Oakmont Country Club is located on an approximately 200-acre site in the Allegheny River valley, 12 miles northeast of Pittsburgh. An 18-hole championship calibre golf course is the primary feature of the property, but additional recreational facilities, a clubhouse, and auxiliary structures are also present. Club buildings are concentrated at the southwestern corner of the site. The golf course extends toward the east and north, and is bisected by a below-grade north-south corridor containing the right-of-ways of the Pennsylvania Turnpike and the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad. A Conrail right-of-way crosses the northern edge of the property.

#### The Course

The Oakmont golf course was laid out in 1903 and was built by 100-150 men and 25 horse teams on pastureland with a less-than-ideal base of gravel and clay. Native oaks were removed from the site so that the course would more closely resemble the barren courses of Scotland, and a "parkland" course 6,600 yards in length was created.<sup>1</sup> Fairways were built narrow and greens were built large. Rough was a minimal hazard and water hazards were absent, but a profusion of sand bunkers were clustered around greens and along fairways.

It is essentially these characteristics that distinguish the course today. In recent years the course has been extensively planted with trees and shrubs--including evergreens, pin oaks, dogwood, and a variety of fruit trees, but the plantings rarely come into play. At the current 6,989 yards, the course is of challenging length. Fairways are so narrow that they have actually been widened at the request of the United States Golf Association for championship events. The greens are large, hard, and in many cases canted or undulated, and are cut to a height of 3/32nds of an inch.<sup>2</sup> They are extremely fast, even though they are for the most part\_built over poor-draining clay, and generally measure over 11 feet on the strimpmeter.<sup>3</sup> The difficulty of the rough has been increased over the years, but bunkers are still the primary hazard. The number of sand traps has fluctuated from a high total of approximately 350 to the present 190, but their effect on play has remained relatively consistent. Two bunkers are particularly reknowned. The serried "church pews" bunker, between the third and fourth fairways, is 60 yards long and 40 yards wide at its broadest point, and is subdivided by seven grassy ridges. The "Sahara" bunker covers an expanse of a quarter acre along the fairway and green of the eighth hole.

The cumulative effect of these elements is a course where the route to the green is closely defined, and the errant or imprecise shot is severely punished. Oakmont was and is the epitome of penal golf course design.<sup>4</sup> An early wag wrote of the bunkering and of Grounds Committee Chairman William C. Fownes, Jr.:

Bill Fownes stood by a green one day When someone holed in four, "I'll put a stop to that," said he "I'll build two bunkers more." And sure enough he built them both Where they could sure be seen, The first one right before the tee, The other on the green.<sup>5</sup>

## 8. Significance

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Specific dates	1903	Builder Architect Henry	C. Fownes (golf co	ourse architect)

### Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

### Summary

The Oakmont Country Club is noted for its nationally significant golf course. The course is historically significant as the oldest top-ranked course in the United States, as the first comprehensive example of penal golf architecture in the world, and because 13 major national championships, including six U.S. Opens, have been played at Oakmont, more than at any other course in the country.<sup>1</sup> The course's original layout is virtually intact and is still in use for club and tournament play. Oakmont is generally considered to be among the most difficult golf courses in the world, and is consistently listed among the top ten courses in the United States.<sup>2</sup> Golf authority Herbert Warren Wind has written in <u>The New Yorker</u> that Oakmont is "without doubt the most historic and the most epitomical of all the courses over which the national championship [U.S. Open] has been played..." and is "so evocative of early American golf that it should be preserved as a national landmark."<sup>3</sup>

Oakmont's combination of age, innovation, tradition, integrity, and continued challenge is rivaled by few American courses. Nevertheless, a number of courses provide interesting points of comparison. Merion Golf Club, in Ardmore, PA, has a difficult shortyardage course with good integrity that dates to 1912 and has hosted 7 national championships. Pinehurst Country Club, Pinehurst, NC, has a distinguished history dating to the 1890s, but its primary course #2 dates only to 1925 and has hosted only two national championships. Baltusrol Golf Club in Springfield, NJ has hosted nine national championships including six U.S. Opens, but on three distinctly different courses. The 1922 course of the Pine Valley Golf Club of Clementon, NJ is laid out on natural sand and is the country's only penal course to rival Oakmont. But Pine Valley has no room for spectators and has hosted no national championships. Pebble Beach Golf Links, Pebble Beach, CA, is a top-rated oceanside course of 1919 famed from television exposure, but has hosted just four national championships. Augusta National Country Club, in Augusta, GA, is the site of the most storied American course, designed by golfing great Bobby Jones, and is the annual scene of the Masters tournament. But the course dates only to 1933 and has continually been tinkered with.<sup>4</sup>

### Golf History and Architecture

Although the origins of golf can be traced back to Roman times, the sport began to assume its recognizable modern form in fifteenth-century Scotland. The first known organized golf club was established in 1744, and the famed Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews dates its founding to 1754. Golf first appeared in the United States in the late eighteenth century, but the first American golf club was not founded until 1888 at Yonkers, NY. The first 18-hole American course was built in Chicago in 1894. Today, between 300 and 400 million rounds of golf are played in the United States each year.

# 9. Major Bibliographical References

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Another commentator once said of the greens that putting at Oakmont was like rolling the ball down a flight of marble steps and having it stop at the third step from the bottom. $^6$ 

Oakmont's golfing image has always been one of challenge and terror. Charles Price calls Oakmont's final four holes "positively heroic,"<sup>7</sup> and five holes(#s 1, 8, 10, 12, 18) were included in <u>Golf Magazine</u>'s 1983 list of the 18 toughest holes in the community, with Oakmont's #10 topping the entire list.<sup>8</sup>

#### Individual Holes

- #1 Par 4, 469 yards. Opening hole has narrow fairway and large green that slopes from front to back and from right to left.
- #2 Par 4, 343 yards. Narrow driving zone leads on to green that is offset from flightpath. Green slopes severely and is well-guarded by bunkers.
- #3 Par 4, 425 yards. Uphill hole to elevated green features famed "church pews" bunker in play to left.
- #4 Par 5, 561 yards. Dogleg to the right has numerous fairway bunkers, including "church pews," and large bunker at green mouth.
- #5 Par 4, 379 yards. Severely bunkered green slopes and undulates.
- #6 Par 3, 201 yards. Green is small, tilted, well-bunkered, and can entail difficult pin positions.
- #7 Par 4, 434 yards. A long tee shot is required to crest hill and have clear view of green that slopes severely from left to right.
- #8 Par 3, 240 yards. Long for a par 3, hole has huge "Sahara" bunker along fairway and large green.
- #9 Par 5, 480 yards. Hole faces clubhouse. Green is three levels on a lateral plane and also functions as a practice putting green.
- #10 Par 4, 462 yards. Downhill hole has narrow driving range among fairway bunkers, invariably entails sloping lies, and culminates in green that slopes from front to back and left to right.
- #11 Par 4, 371 yards. Fairway ditch and huge greenside bunkers provide hazard.
- #12 Par 5, 603 yards. Longest hole is slight dogleg to the right to huge green. Fairway falls away toward traps, rough, and ditches.
- #13 Par 3, 185 yards. Shortest hole has severely humped and slanted kidney-shaped green set in natural amphitheater.

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- #14 Par 4, 360 yards. Very deep green is made more difficult by varying pin placements.
- #15 Par 4, 453 yards. Fairway has "church pew"-like bunker. Offset green is elevated, well-guarded by bunkers, and is 65 yards deep.
- #16 Par 3, 228 yards. Strategically placed bunkers and woods provide hazard around large green on another very long par 3.
- #17 Par 4, 322 yards. Uphill dogleg to the left is only occasionally driven straight to the green, an achievement discouraged by the location of numerous bunkers in the straight flight-path. Plateau green is guarded by "big mouth" bunker, among others.
- #18 Par 4, 456 yards. Final test features a key bunker in driving range, and a deep rising and undulating green.9

#### Alterations to the Course

A golf course is organic and constantly undergoes changes in contour and vegetation. Most courses are also subject to ongoing "tinkering" with elements of play. Oakmont, however, has experienced minimal change in the primary play surfaces. Some tees have been added for championship play, but most original tees remain in use. One fairway has been partially reoriented, and three greens have been moved slightly. Alterations to the course have been:<sup>10</sup>

- 1903-1935 Sand traps are gradually increased in number to peak total of approximately 350.
- 1915,1922 Houses are demolished near 13th and 15th greens.
- 1926 #15 green is moved; #16 tee and green are moved; footbridge is built over Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad corridor.
- 1935-1986 Rough is increased in difficulty and sand traps are gradually decreased in number to current total of approximately 190.
- 1951-1953 Pennsylvania Turnpike is built through slightly enlarged railroad corridor requiring new footbridge and changes to three holes: tees are moved at #2 and #9; green is moved slightly at #8.
- 1954-1956 Fruit trees are planted.
- 1962-1973 Planting program adds over 3,200 trees and shrubs.
- 1964-1965 Sand in traps is changed from coarse Allegheny River sand to finely divided white sand.
- 1967 #17 fairway is reoriented and new tee is added.
- 1971 Underground irrigation system is installed.
- 1978 New championship tees are added at #4 and #7.

### Clubhouse and Other Facilities

The Oakmont clubhouse is a Tudor Revival structure emblematic of the architecture of turn-of-the-century semi-rural retreats for sportsmen. It is two-and-one-half stories, with two half-timbered forward-facing gables connected by a long cross-gabled section, and has a long veranda. Originally C-shaped when constructed in 1904, the building

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was expanded in 1919, 1920, and 1950, and is now L-shaped in plan. The veranda has been enclosed. The original first-story frame siding and second-story shingling have been covered with paneling custom designed to retain the building's original architectural appearance. Certain historic interior spaces remain. The Clubhouse is judged to contribute to the significance of the Oakmont Country Club.

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There are a few other buildings on the historic portion of the Oakmont Country Club's extensive grounds; they are concentrated in the southwest corner of the property. The Gatehouse/Manager's House, the Professional's Residence, and the Pro Shop, all of which date to the 1930s, follow the Tudor Revival style of the clubhouse and contribute to the significance of the property. The Gatehouse/Manager's house is a 2-1/2-story rectangular structure of brick with a gable roof; the Professional's Residence is 1-1/2 stories with a gable roof and is of frame construction; and the Pro Shop is a 1-story frame building with a gable roof. The swimming pool near the gatehouse was added in 1954.<sup>11</sup>

Other structures include the following minor intrusions of recent construction, which do not mar the historic scene to any extent: the Garage/Caretaker's Shed, a rectangular 1-story building of cinderblock with separate gable roofs on its three 1-bay sections; the 1-story rectangular cinderblock Garage; and five Rain Shelters (Service Huts), dispersed on the grounds, all of which are small timber shelters with pyramidal roofs.

### Footnotes

<sup>1</sup>A "parkland" course is an inland course with inland land forms, soil, vegetation, and weather conditions; as opposed to the primarily Scottish oceanfront "linksland" course built on natural dunes.

<sup>2</sup>The standard green height for a U.S. Open is 6/32nds of an inch.

 $^{3}$ A strimpmeter is a device for measuring green speed. A reading of 10 is standard for a U.S. Open.

<sup>4</sup>A "penal" course requires a golfer to play a particular shot or suffer a penalty; as opposed to a "strategic" course that gives a golfer a variety of options and rewards agressive play.

<sup>5</sup>Edward B. Foote, Oakmont Country Club: The First Seventy Seven Years, 15-16.

6"Oakmont--Where You Must Play Every Shot," The Golf Journal (May 1973), 7.

<sup>7</sup>The World Atlas of Golf, 127.

<sup>8</sup>Listing was based on 1983 U.S.G.A. statistics. Lew Fishman, "The Mean 18," <u>Golf Magazine</u> (January 1984), 56.

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 $^9 {\rm Information}$  on individual holes is derived from the U.S. Open Championship Annual, 68-104. The yardage figures are for championship play at the 1983 U.S. Open.

<sup>10</sup>Information on alterations to the course is derived from Edward B. Foote, Oakmont Country Club: The First Seventy Seven Years.

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<sup>11</sup>Additional areage not included in this nomination was added to the country club in 1950 (53 acres) and 1974 (8.5 acres). Additional recreational facilities on this property include a skeet range (1966), platform tennis courts (1971), and regulation tennis courts (1974). Information on the clubhouse and other facilities is derived from Edward B. Foote, <u>Oakmont Country Club</u>: The First Seventy Seven Years; and the Oakmont Country Club Historic District nomination to the National Register of Historic Places prepared by Lu Donnelly in 1983.

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Golf is one of the few sports in which the ground on which it is played is highly variable and is itself a major part of the contest. Golfers are challenged as much by a course as they are by each other. The first courses were essentially natural layouts of pre-existing coastal terrain. In the late nineteenth century, however, the creation of courses on easily contoured "parkland" sites gave birth to "golf architecture." Henceforth, courses were laid out with a combination of imagination and technology. Though in many ways patterned after the early Scottish courses, these courses assumed premeditated and distinctive personalities.<sup>5</sup>

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### Significance of the Course

Oakmont, laid out in 1903, was the first American parkland course of lasting significance, and a scene of innovation in golf course design. Built on a pastureland without natural hazards, it was solely a product of its architecture. Oakmont's rolling, barren character was based upon Scottish precedents. But its layout and land contours were carefully planned, and its devised hazards, in the form of numerous sand traps and treacherous greens, were so distinctive that Oakmont gave birth to a new style of golf architecture. As the first penal golf course, Oakmont added new dimensions to the game itself, as every drive and putt became a potential disaster, and served as a prototype for other penal courses.

Oakmont's greens are generally considered among the best groomed and most challenging in the world because of their tilted, undulated surfaces and sheer speed. They are the greens against which all others are compared. Oakmont's sand traps have been somewhat tamed since the years (c.1911-1954) that they held coarse sand furrowed in two-inch ridges, but the sand still makes headlines (e.g., "The Insatiable Sands of Oakmont," "Championship Trials on a U.S. Sahara") when the U.S. Open comes to Oakmont.

Oakmont was also one of the first courses to accommodate the technological transition from the gutta-percha golf ball to the rubber ball, which required additional course length. Oakmont was a very long course for its time. This length has enabled Oakmont to accommodate modern playing equipment without significant alterations. This fact and the loyalty of the Oakmont Country Club to the course's original conception have allowed the course to retain virtually its original form. Herbert Warren Wind asserts that "it is unlikely that any other championship course in our country has been altered as little as Oakmont."<sup>6</sup>

### Club History

The Oakmont Country Club was founded in 1903 by a group of golfers from Pittsburgh's Highland Country Club. The men located a site for a new 18-hole golf course near the town of Oakmont, organized the Oakmont Land Company to purchase the property, and began work on the course, all prior to the club's official incorporation on October 24, 1903. A story claims that the course was actually laid out before the site was determined!

The course designer, and leader of the entire effort, was Henry C. Fownes. Fownes had augmented an inherited fortune by speculating in the steel industry with the

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golfer, but a novice at golf course design.	
only design at Oakmont, Fownes is ranked am	nong the great amateur golf architects. <sup>7</sup>

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Fownes' son, William C. Fownes, Jr., refined his father's course in his positions as Chairman of the Grounds Committee and President of the Board of Governors between 1911 and 1948, particularly through the manipulation of bunkering. William C. Fownes, Jr., was an even better golfer than his father, qualifying for the National Amateur Tournament 21 times and winning it in 1910. Fownes served for many years on United States Golf Association committees, and was U.S.G.A. president in 1926-27.

The Oakmont Country Club was a successful venture from the beginning, and its prestige soon drew men such as George Westinghouse and Andrew W. Mellon as members. Three Oakmont golfers--Eben M. Byers (1906), Fownes (1910), and S. Davidson Herron (1919)--have been National Amateur Tournament champions. Lew Worsham, club pro at Oakmont in 1947-79, won the U.S. Open in June of 1947, a few weeks after his Oakmont appointment.<sup>8</sup>

### Tournament History

Oakmont attracted its first national tournament in 1919, and has hosted a total of 13 major national tournments including six U.S. Opens (1927, 1935, 1953, 1962, 1973, and 1983). Nearly every golfer of American or international importance has played at Oakmont, and the roster of Oakmont tournament winners includes most of the greatest names in golf: Gene Sarazen, Bobby Jones, Sam Snead, Ben Hogan, and Jack Nicklaus. (Sarazen was a local protege of William C. Fownes, Jr.) Arnold Palmer, of nearby Latrobe, PA, has never won a national tournament at Oakmont, but has played here often and has been a club member since 1973.

Oakmont's tournament history has been rich and eventful. The 1919 National Amateur Tournament was won by 20-year-old local boy S. Davidson Herron over a 17-year-old Bobby Jones in match play. Tommy Armour won the 1927 U.S. Open in an 18-hole playooff with Harry Cooper. In 1935 Pittsburgh pro Sam Parks upset a field of golfing greats to win the U.S. Open as only three below-par rounds were recorded in the entire tournament. Ben Hogan led all the way in the 1953 U.S. Open and established a new course record for four tournament rounds with a five-under-par 283, eleven strokes better than the previous record. Arnold Palmer and Jack Nicklaus both shot record-tying 283s in the 1962 U.S. Open, but the 22-year-old Nicklaus won an 18-hole playoff by three strokes for his first professional victory. In 1973 Johnny Miller came from six strokes behind on the final day of the U.S. Open to win with a final round of 63, the lowest round in the history of the U.S. Open up to that time, and an Oakmont record total of 279. The 1978 PGA Tournament culminated in a three-way playoff between John Mahaffey, Tom Watson, and Jerry Pate, won by Mahaffey.

Special tournaments at Oakmont have included a 1922 challenge match between Gene Sarazen and Walter Hagen--half of the 72 holes were played at Oakmont, and a 1945 Big Four War Bond Tournament featuring winner Byron Nelson, Sam Snead, Gene Sarazen, and Harold McSpaden.

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Major	national	tournament	played	at	Oakmont	and	their	champions	are:9

- 1919 National Amateur Tournament / S. Davidson Herron
- 1922 PGA Tournament / Gene Sarazen
- 1925 National Amateur Tournament / Bobby Jones
- 1927 United States Open / Tommy Armour 1935 United States Open / Sam Parks
- 1938 National Amateur Tournament / Willie Turnesa
- 1951 PGA Tournament / Sam Snead
- 1953 United States Open / Ben Hogan
- 1962 United States Open / Jack Nicklaus
- 1969 National Amateur Tournament / Steve Melnyk
- 1973 United States Open / Johnny Miller
- 1978 PGA Tournament / John Mahaffey
- 1983 United States Open / Larry Nelson

#### Footnotes

 $^{1}$ Oakmont is the oldest of the top 50 American golf courses as rated in Ross Goodner, "100 Greatest Courses...," Golf Digest (November 1983). "National championships" is here defined to include the major men's tournaments of long-standing significance: the National Amateur Tournament, the PGA Tournament, and the United States Open. The only other tournament that can be considered to fit this definition, The Masters, is played every year at Augusta National Country Club.

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<sup>2</sup>For example, see <u>The World Atlas of Golf</u>, 124; Ross Goodner, 100 Greatest Courses...," Golf Digest (November 1983).

<sup>3</sup>Herbert Warren Wind, "The Sporting Scene: The Miller's Tale," <u>The New Yorker</u> (July 9, 1973), 48; Wind, "The Sporting Scene: Oakmont and the Open," The New Yorker (July 25, 1983), 48.

<sup>4</sup>The World Atlas of Golf, 116-121, 128-130, 146-154, 158-161, 174-177.

 $^{5}$ Golf Magazine's Encyclopedia of Golf, 1-3; The World Atlas of Golf, 8-15.

<sup>6</sup>Herbert Warren Wind, "The Sporting Scene: The Miller's Tale." <u>The New Yorker</u> (July 9, 1973), 48.

<sup>7</sup>America's other significant amateur golf architects include Hugh Wilson (Merion), George Crump (Pine Valley), Jack Neville and Douglas Grant (Pebble Beach), and Bobby Jones (with help from Alister Mackensie, Augusta National).

<sup>8</sup> Club history is derived from Edward B. Foote, Oakmont Country Club: The First Seventy Seven Years.

<sup>9</sup>Tournament history is derived from Edward B. Foote, <u>Oakmont Country Club: The First</u> Seventy Seven Years.

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#### Verbal Boundary Description

The nominated property of the Oakmont Country Club consists of the original land purchased by the Oakmont Land Company in 1903 and recorded in Allegheny County deed book and page 1299:113, 119, 120 and 1307:58, and Plum Borough property map "A". (Plum Borough is not part of the Allegheny County block and lot system.) See sketch map.

Beginning at a point on the north curbline of Hulton Road at the boundary between Oakmont and Plum Boroughs, the west property line of the Oakmont Country Club, and the east property line of Allegheny County block and lot 443J-325; thence northeasterly approximately 1220 feet along municipal boundary and said property line to a point; thence northwesterly approximately 316 feet to a point in Oakmont Borough; thence north-northeasterly approximately 300 feet to a point; thence southeasterly approximately 316 feet to a point in Plum Borough; thence north-northeasterly approximately 1772 feet to a point at the south shore of the Alleghenv River and the north property line of the Oakmont Country Club; thence east-southeasterly approximately 2300 feet along the south shore of the Allegheny River and said property line to a point; thence south-southwesterly approximately 1095 feet to a point; thence east-southeasterly approximately 1100 feet to a point at the east property line of the Oakmont Country Club and the west property line of Oakmont East Course, Inc.; thence south-southwesterly approximately 1520 feet along said property line to a point; thence southwesterly approximately 845 feet along said property line to a point at the north curbline of Cox Comb Hill Road and the south property line of Oakmont Country Club; thence westnorthwesterly approximately 3300 feet along the north curbline of Cox Comb Hill and Hulton Roads and the said property line to the point of origin. Property within these boundaries that is devoted to right-of-ways of Conrail (formerly, the Pennsylvania Railroad), the Bessemer and Lake Erie Railroad, and the Pennsylvania Turnpike, is not to be considered to be part of the nominated property for the duration of the right-of-ways.



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