

LPGA PROFESSIONALS

National Championship

Policies and Procedures

Registration Fee

The professional registration fee for the LPGA Professional's National Championship is **\$395 / \$450** after **June 26th**. The registration fee includes three rounds of competition with golf carts, one practice round during the official practice round days, unlimited use of practice facility, an exclusive LPGA player gift package and an invitation to the Welcome Reception.

LPGA Eligibility

Eligible Players: Except as set forth below, all Master Professional, Class A, Class B, Apprentice, Life, Senior, Senior Life, Senior Master Life, Class A-2, and Class B-2 members, who are in good standing and are not suspended from membership privileges, shall be eligible to play in Membership tournaments.

The Senior Division includes members who are age 50 and older by the first day of competition. The Super Senior Division includes members who are age 62 and older by the first day of competition.

Ineligible Players: Notwithstanding anything to the contrary contained in the LPGA Professionals Bylaws, the following members are not eligible to play in Membership tournaments:

1. LPGA A-T, Honorary, Retired, Alumni, Affiliate, Inactive and Active Association Tournament Division members;
2. Any member who has competed in eight or more LPGA Tour co-sponsored or approved tournaments, Epson Tour sanctioned tournaments, Legends Tour tournaments or tournaments on any professional tour outside the United States, in each case excluding qualifying tournaments (all of the foregoing collectively referred to as "Counted Tournaments"), in the aggregate, during the twelve months immediately preceding the tournament in which she is seeking entry

PGA of America Eligibility

All female PGA of America Members and Associates will be eligible to compete within the National Championship under the current PGA Eligibility requirements as stated below.

Eligible: All female PGA Members and Associates of the Association are eligible (except Class A-3, Honorary Members, Reserve (formerly Inactive), Retired Members (RM), Class F Members, and/or suspended Members/Associates) - provided they have not played in more than eight (8) combined Adams Pro Tour (ATP), Asian Tour, Dakotas Tour, European Challenge Tour, European Senior Tour, European Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), Epson Tour (LPGA), LPGA Tour, Mackenzie TOUR-Canada, PGA Australia Tours, PGA New Zealand Tours, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR-China, PGA TOUR Latino America, Swing Thought Tour, The Safari Tour, The Sunshine Tour and Korn Ferry TOUR tournaments **between July 25, 2022 and July 24, 2023**.

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Entry Procedures

- The Championship, Challenge, Senior, and Super Senior Division fields are open to the **first 144** completely executed entries **from all division** received at LPGA Headquarters by no later than 5:00pm EST on **Friday, July 7, 2023**.
- Only completely executed entries with the division marked and full payment enclosed will be accepted.

Waiting List

A full field is anticipated, so please make your registration plans accordingly. Once the field is full, a waiting list will be established based on date of receipt of entry.

Participant Cancellation and No-Show Policy

1. Participants who wish to cancel from the Championship must do so in writing sent via e-mail to LPGA Headquarters at Lillie.seymour@lpga.com
2. All written cancellations received prior to Friday, July 14, 2023 will incur a \$75.00 cancellation processing fee.
3. **If a written cancellation is received after 5:00pm EST on Friday, July 14, 2023 the member will incur 100% forfeiture of their total professional registration fee.**
4. No-shows at the LPGA Professionals National Championship will incur 100% forfeiture of the professional registration fee and are subject to fine.

Tournament Cut and Purse

TOTAL PURSE – TBD

- **Purse will be distributed based on the percentage of participants within each division.**
- Each division will be cut proportionately to equal Top 70 and ties after 36 holes.

Exemptions

KPMG PGA Women's Championship

- Top-eight (8) finishers in the Championship Division will receive exemptions into the next year's KPMG PGA Women's Championship
- There will be a playoff related to the 8th spot in the case of ties.
- **Note:** Top-eight finishers must be a member in good standing of the LPGA or PGA at the time of the KPMG PGA Women's Championship.

Senior LPGA Championship (Must be Age 45+)

- Top-eight (8) finishers and ties in the Senior Division at the 2023 LPGA Professionals National Championship

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- Winner of the Senior Division of the 2021, 2022, and 2023 LPGA Professionals National Championships
- Players who finish in positions #1-15 (and ties) in the Championship Division at the 2023 LPGA Professionals National Championship

U.S. Senior Women's Open

- Winners of the LPGA Professional Championship (Championship Division) the last five years (2018-2023) and the five lowest scorers and ties from the most recent Championship (2023).
- From the 2023 LPGA Professional Championship (Senior Division), the three lowest scorers

NOTE: Exemption categories for USWO are finalized prior to release of the applications in late February/early March each year.

Practice Rounds

To reserve a practice round for Saturday, July 22, please email KMGolfpracticrounds@kingsmill.com and identify yourself as a participant in the LPGA Professional National Championship.

To reserve a practice round in the Sunday afternoon shotgun, please sign up by emailing Lillie Seymour at Lillie.seymour@lpga.com.

Each professional receives one complimentary practice round on one of the official practice round days (see below).

- Saturday, July 22 - Tee Times at 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Sunday, July 23 – Shotgun Start at 2:00 p.m.
 - ❖ ***Any additional professional practice rounds are reserved at the discretion of the golf course at the player's expense of \$100 + tax per person. Pro-Am participants may book practice rounds at a rate of \$130 + tax per person.***

Professional Registration*

All Championship participants must register prior to participating in the event. Professional registration will be open on Saturday, July 22, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and Sunday, July 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Caddies

Championship participants may bring their own caddie. **Players bringing caddies must notify LPGA Headquarters by Friday, July 7, 2023.**

Please review the cart and caddie rules for more information.

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National Championship Pro-Am

Championship participants are encouraged to bring a team to compete in this year's Pro-Am event, to be held Sunday, July 23. Professionals will participate at no charge and will have the opportunity to play for a separate "Pro-Am Purse" in addition to earning LPGA Certification Units.

Pro-Am team registrations are due to LPGA Headquarters no later than 5:00pm EST on Friday, July 7, 2023.

Stance on Conforming Clubs (Groove and Punch Mark Specifications)

REMINDER - The LPGA **ADOPTED** the "new conforming grooves rule" for ALL LPGA EVENTS in 2014. It is stated on the LPGA Hard Card but because it is a condition of EVERY competition for 2023, it will not be listed on every Local Rules Sheet.