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**PLAYER HANDBOOK & TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**



Dear PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member:

Welcome to the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Season. Members of our staff compiled the *Player Handbook and Tournament Regulations* to assist you in your preparation for the upcoming PGA TOUR Latinoamérica season.

As you read this, you will note a wide variety of topics that will help you navigate PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, the oldest of our International Tours, now in its tenth season. This publication is also a handy guide to specific rules pertaining to PGA TOUR Latinoamérica play. These rules and regulations are the final authority on the operations and policies of PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. I encourage you to become familiar with this book, which will prove invaluable to you this season as you continue with your professional career in an exciting part of the world.

Best wishes for a successful 2021-22 season.

A handwritten signature of Jay Monahan in black ink, enclosed in a thin rectangular border. The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jay Monahan  
Commissioner  
PGA TOUR

## **SIGNIFICANT CHANGES FOR THE 2021-2022 SEASON**

The following changes were approved by the Policy Board beginning with the 2021-2022 season and beyond:

- PGA Tour University Category is now included in the Eligibility for Tournament Play.
- The Top 5 Players (Los Cinco) from the 2019 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Order of Merit Category, are now in a higher category right before the Qualifying Tournaments Conditionals.
- A new Pace of Play policy will be in effect which include number of warnings, bad time penalties and excessive times.
- A new regulation for Tournaments about Sponsor Exemptions.
- Clubs must conform to Model Local Rule G-2, regarding grooves and punch mark specifications.

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## **PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS**

### **115 VISA Open de Argentina presentado por Macro**

- Field expanded to 156 players.
- Sponsor Exemptions (Maximum of 30 spots)
- Open Qualifying (Minimum of 6 spots)

### **The Tour Championship**

Eligible players are:

- The Top 60 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List, through the completion of the immediately preceding tournament.

Note: Monday Qualifying will not be held for this event.



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## **PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA DUES AND FEES**

Annual Dues	\$750*
Entry Fees	\$200 per event
Open Qualifying Entry Fees**	\$200 per event maximum
Insurance	\$20

Annual Dues for PGA TOUR & Korn Ferry Tour Members***	\$50
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\* Dues, fees and purses are in U.S. Dollars

\*\* The open qualifying fee for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions (Regular Members), Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Canada members is \$100.

\*\*\* PGA TOUR & Korn Ferry Tour members required to pay this fee will not be required to pay an additional fee should they choose to join PGA TOUR Canada.

*Note: PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members are entitled to a reduced fee of \$300 for PGA TOUR pre-qualifying and Korn Ferry Tour open qualifying.*

## **PURSE DISTRIBUTION CHART**

The PGA TOUR Policy Board establishes distribution of purses for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournaments. Events with special or small fields may use other purse distribution formulas.

The standard formula for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events provides a first prize of 18 percent of the total purse. Following is the standard distribution formula for an event with a purse of \$175,000

<u>Place</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Prize</u>		<u>Place</u>	<u>Percent</u>	<u>Prize</u>
1	18.000%	\$31,500.00		28	0.800%	\$1,400.00
2	10.800%	\$18,900.00		29	0.760%	\$1,330.00
3	6.800%	\$11,900.00		30	0.720%	\$1,260.00
4	4.800%	\$8,400.00		31	0.680%	\$1,190.00
5	4.000%	\$7,000.00		32	0.650%	\$1,137.50
6	3.600%	\$6,300.00		33	0.620%	\$1,085.00
7	3.350%	\$5,862.50		34	0.600%	\$1,050.00
8	3.100%	\$5,425.00		35	0.580%	\$1,015.00
9	2.900%	\$5,075.00		36	0.565%	\$988.75
10	2.700%	\$4,725.00		37	0.550%	\$962.50
11	2.500%	\$4,375.00		38	0.540%	\$945.00
12	2.300%	\$4,025.00		39	0.530%	\$927.50
13	2.100%	\$3,675.00		40	0.520%	\$910.00
14	1.900%	\$3,325.00		41	0.510%	\$892.50
15	1.800%	\$3,150.00		42	0.500%	\$875.00
16	1.700%	\$2,975.00		43	0.490%	\$857.50
17	1.600%	\$2,800.00		44	0.480%	\$840.00
18	1.500%	\$2,625.00		45	0.470%	\$822.50
19	1.400%	\$2,450.00		46	0.460%	\$805.00
20	1.300%	\$2,275.00		47	0.450%	\$787.50
21	1.200%	\$2,100.00		48	0.440%	\$770.00
22	1.125%	\$1,968.75		49	0.430%	\$752.50
23	1.055%	\$1,846.25		50	0.425%	\$743.75
24	0.995%	\$1,741.25		51	0.420%	\$735.00
25	0.935%	\$1,636.25		52	0.415%	\$726.25
26	0.880%	\$1,540.00		53	0.410%	\$717.50
27	0.840%	\$1,470.00		54	0.405%	\$708.75
				55	0.400%	\$700.00

# **PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA POINTS SYSTEM**

## **PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points System**

The PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points System is a season-long system in which players accumulate points in each eligible official money event.

## **PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points Distribution**

- Official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events each award 500 points to first place.
- The Tour Championship will award 600 points to first place.

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points are awarded by finish position as defined in the point distribution tables. Limited field events during the season will not redistribute the points for places that do not play. For example, if an event has a field size of 50 players, the points awarded will be based on the points that would be awarded to each individual position in a full-field event from positions 1 to 50. This will result in points that would have otherwise been awarded from positions 51 to 55 not being awarded in the tournament.

## **Points Distribution by Finish Position**

The table below shows the rounded number of points awarded to each position in each of the two types of PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events.

<b>Position</b>	<b>Official Season Events</b>	<b>The Tour Championship</b>
<b>1</b>	500	600
<b>2</b>	300	330
<b>3</b>	190	210
<b>4</b>	135	150
<b>5</b>	110	120
<b>6</b>	100	110
<b>7</b>	90	100
<b>8</b>	85	94
<b>9</b>	80	88
<b>10</b>	75	82
<b>11</b>	70	77
<b>12</b>	65	72
<b>13</b>	60	68
<b>14</b>	57	64
<b>15</b>	55	61
<b>16</b>	53	59
<b>17</b>	51	57
<b>18</b>	49	55
<b>19</b>	47	53
<b>20</b>	45	51
<b>21</b>	43	48.73
<b>22</b>	41	46.47
<b>23</b>	39	44.2
<b>24</b>	37	41.93
<b>25</b>	35.5	40.23
<b>26</b>	34	38.53
<b>27</b>	32.5	36.83
<b>28</b>	31	35.13
<b>29</b>	29.5	33.43
<b>30</b>	28	31.73

<b>Position</b>	<b>Official Season Events</b>	<b>The Tour Championship</b>
<b>31</b>	26.5	30.03
<b>32</b>	25	28.33
<b>33</b>	23.5	26.63
<b>34</b>	22	24.93
<b>35</b>	21	23.8
<b>36</b>	20	22.67
<b>37</b>	19	21.53
<b>38</b>	18	20.4
<b>39</b>	17	19.27
<b>40</b>	16	18.13
<b>41</b>	15	17
<b>42</b>	14	15.87
<b>43</b>	13	14.73
<b>44</b>	12	13.6
<b>45</b>	11	12.47
<b>46</b>	10.5	11.9
<b>47</b>	10	11.33
<b>48</b>	9.5	10.77
<b>49</b>	9	10.2
<b>50</b>	8.5	9.63
<b>51</b>	8	9.07
<b>52</b>	7.5	8.5
<b>53</b>	7	7.93
<b>54</b>	6.5	7.37
<b>55</b>	6	6.8
<b>56</b>	5.8	6.57
<b>57</b>	5.6	6.35
<b>58</b>	5.4	6.12
<b>59</b>	5.2	5.89
<b>60</b>	5	5.67
<b>61</b>	4.8	5.44
<b>62</b>	4.6	5.21
<b>63</b>	4.4	4.99
<b>64</b>	4.2	4.76
<b>65</b>	4	4.53
<b>66</b>	3.8	4.31
<b>67</b>	3.6	4.08
<b>68</b>	3.4	3.85
<b>69</b>	3.2	3.63
<b>70</b>	3	3.4
<b>71</b>	2.9	3.29
<b>72</b>	2.8	3.17
<b>73</b>	2.7	3.06
<b>74</b>	2.6	2.95
<b>75</b>	2.5	2.83

Note: Positions 56 – 75 are shown to represent possible ties for 55<sup>th</sup> position or no cut events with field sizes larger than 55 players.

*Ties* – Points will be distributed to those in tying positions using the same method currently used to distribute prize money when there is a tie. That is, the total points for each tying position will be averaged and that average will be distributed to each player in the tying position.

**Other Notes**

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points are distributed to players earning official money. Amateurs will not be eligible to earn PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points. For example, if an amateur finishes 3<sup>rd</sup> at an event and a professional finishes 4<sup>th</sup>, the professional will receive 4<sup>th</sup> place points – 3<sup>rd</sup> place points will not be awarded at all.

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points will be awarded at official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events where official money is earned. For example, if an event is shortened to 36 holes, it is listed as an unofficial victory but awarded official money, so it would award PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points.

All PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points will be calculated out to three decimals.

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## **PERFORMANCE BENEFITS**

- A. Any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member who wins three events in the same season becomes eligible immediately for Korn Ferry Tour membership in the current year and is exempt from reshuffle the following year.
- B. The Points Leader from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List earns an exempt card (not subject to reshuffle) on the following season's Korn Ferry Tour.
- C. Finishers 2-3 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are elevated to the first conditional category on the Korn Ferry Tour for the following season (subject to first reshuffle). Finishers 4-5 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List will be placed first in the zippered category that includes 76-100 Prior Season's Korn Ferry Tour Points List Finishers and Additional Finishers from the Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament (subject to first reshuffle).
- D. Finishers 2 through 5 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are exempt via special eligibility category into the Korn Ferry Tour events played in Latin America (currently events in Colombia and Panama).
- E. Winners of PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events are exempt for the remainder of the season during which they win and the following season. Winners in the second year following the year of their win are eligible for conditional status.
- F. Players within the Top-60 on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are exempt for the Season 2022-23.
- G. Finishers 2 through 10 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are exempt into the Final Stage of the Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament.
- H. Finishers 11 through 25 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are exempt into the Second Stage of the Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament.
- I. PGA TOUR Latinoamérica is recognized as part of the Official World Golf Rankings system. At a minimum, 6 points are awarded to the winner of each PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event with points awarded through 6<sup>th</sup> position in accordance with the OWGR system.
- J. Players 61-75 from the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List are exempt for the Developmental Series Final.

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## **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

### **PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members receive a personal photo ID and money clip which serve as identification at all cosponsored tournaments. If lost, replacement photo IDs are available through PGA TOUR Headquarters at a cost of \$50 per photo ID or money clip.

### **BAD WEATHER GUIDELINES**

The PGA TOUR Policy Board has approved these guidelines for use by tournament officials in case of bad weather:

1. Every effort should be made to finish each round as scheduled.
2. When unplayable conditions occur, play will be suspended. Play will resume when conditions improve, even when that round cannot be completed that day.
  - (a) Where daylight permits, play may resume the following day, to include completion of the next scheduled round.
  - (b) Where daylight does not permit, the suspended round may be completed the next day. Thus, one round might be completed over a two-day period, depending on how many players had played from the starting tee(s).
3. When the first, second and/or third rounds are cancelled or suspended beyond the third scheduled day, with only one day remaining, every reasonable effort will be made to complete the next scheduled round (first round, or in the event it is the completion of the second round and daylight and conditions permit, determine the cut and complete the 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> rounds).
4. In the event of a suspension during the final round, the round will be cancelled if more than half of the field cannot complete the round. If more than half the field completes the round, play should be temporarily suspended and completed when conditions permit. No completion should extend past Monday. In no situation would play resume in order to have at least half the field complete play on Sunday so that play may be extended to Monday. If a competition is scheduled to finish on Saturday, no completion should extend past Sunday. In no situation would play resume in order to have at least half the field complete play on Saturday so that play may extend to Sunday.
5. For the Tour Championship event, play may be extended to Monday at the discretion of the Chief Referee if golf course conditions and weather permit. However, in no case shall play extend beyond Monday (with the exception of a sudden-death Playoff to determine the winner).

### **SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO DANGEROUS SITUATIONS**

Play may be suspended for such dangerous situations as lightning, tornadoes, etc. If the players in a match or group are between two holes, they must not resume play until the Rules Committee so orders. Players who are playing a hole must discontinue immediately and not resume play until the Committee orders. THE PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS CONDITION IS DISQUALIFICATION.

All practice areas shall be closed during a suspension for a dangerous situation until the Rules Committee has declared them open for use. Players who disregard such closing shall be subject to disciplinary action.

**NOTE:** One prolonged siren or horn note signals suspension for a dangerous situation. Several short intermittent horn or siren notes signal all other types of suspension.

## **LOCKER ROOM**

When locker room facilities are available, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica reserves the right to restrict locker room access.

Locker room access is limited to:

Tournament week:

Players, player's sons when accompanied by the player, PGA TOUR staff, instructors, and working media and a limited number of the host organization's committeemen.

Practice and Pro-Am days:

Tournament representatives, player managers, golf apparel and manufacturer representatives.

Weather delays:

Players, essential locker room staff and PGA TOUR Latinoamérica staff.

**Caddies DO NOT have access to player locker rooms. Players whose caddies enter locker rooms initially will be fined \$50. Subsequent fines during a year will be \$100 and \$250, respectively.**

Except during weather suspensions, golf bags must be put away in lockers or appropriate bag storage areas provided by the tournament. Golf bags must be put away over-night and shall not be left out in the locker room.

**When locker room facilities are available for the exclusive use of the tour, players in the starting tournament field who use the facilities at the host clubhouse should pay the attendant a minimum of \$10 for service.**

Smoking is not permitted in the player locker room.

## **PLAYER EQUIPMENT**

To help ensure that players competing in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments use equipment that conforms with the USGA/R&A Rules of Golf, players are encouraged to:

1. Confirm with equipment manufacturers or club maker that all equipment or samples have been submitted and approved by the USGA/R&A. Any new equipment must be formally approved by the USGA/R&A prior to putting the equipment in play.
2. Confirm that driving clubs are on the USGA/R&A List of Conforming Driver heads. Any modified club head or club face must conform as if new and may need to re-tested.
3. Have any altered or unusual clubs checked by a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Official before tournament use.
4. Verify that the ball chosen to be played is on the USGA/R&A's Conforming Golf Balls list.
5. Confirm that clubs conform to Model Local Rule G-2, regarding groove and punch mark specifications and are listed on the USGA Equipment Database. The Exception does not apply.

If a player fails to submit his equipment prior to competition, he assumes all risk of a ruling that equipment does not conform



with the USGA/R&A Rules of Golf. Additionally, if required by a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica official, a player is obligated to surrender any equipment if it is determined that additional off-site testing is necessary to rule on conformity. Failure to do so will result in withdrawal from the tournament and subsequent disciplinary action. From time-to-time, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica officials, at the request of the USGA/R&A, collect ball and club samples for testing by the USGA/R&A.

## **PRACTICING**

The PGA TOUR Policy Board has adopted the following policy:

Only contestants, their caddies, instructors, managers, media, golf equipment manufacturer (when invited by contestants) tournament representatives and PGA TOUR staff are permitted onto any area designated for practice, (e.g., range, practice putting green, chipping or pitching greens, bunkers and the tournament golf course) during practice rounds.

**NOTE: Family members and friends are not permitted inside the ropes on the golf course at any time.** Family members are permitted on other designated practice areas when accompanied by the player. Players are expected to use good judgment and discretion when inviting family members onto designated practice areas. Players are responsible for their minor children and their conduct. Only one tournament representative is allowed access to designated practice areas at a time.

On pro-am days, practice by professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am in designated practice areas is prohibited from 30 minutes prior to the first pro-am starting time through the final pro-am starting time, for each segment/wave of tee times. For shotgun starts, practice is prohibited for one hour prior to the shotgun start.

On practice days, after 8:30 a.m. all play must begin from the first tee unless expressly approved by a member of the Rules Committee.

During tournament week practice facilities and the tournament course are for qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list unless approved by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee. Qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list shall not practice with ineligible players. The use of permanent markers, paint or other similar products to create lines on the practice putting and chipping greens is not permitted. If marks or lines are created on these surfaces, they must be done with a non-permanent material, such as a chalk line, which will not damage the turf and will disappear in a short period of time.

## **GOLF COURSE PREPARATION & SET UP PHILOSOPHY**

### **GENERAL**

Golf course preparation and set-up is critical to the PGA TOUR's core mission and has significant ramifications for our players, television partners, tournaments, sponsors and fans.

For each tournament the objective is to provide a level of difficulty and excitement which identifies the world's best players while 1) maintaining fairness, 2) respecting the features and capabilities of the venue, and 3) providing a dramatic stage for the PGA TOUR. Throughout the season, the objective is to provide a variety of golf course set-ups, in conjunction with assessment of the TOUR's evolving business needs as well as monitoring of relevant statistics.

The PGA TOUR's Rules & Competitions and Agronomy Staff are responsible for golf course preparation and set-up, with the PGA TOUR Chief Referee having final authority. A Golf Course Review Committee, reporting to the Commissioner, will be maintained for the purpose of approving new venues and changes to existing venues, as well as reviewing relevant data and feedback on course preparation and set-up.

Course preparation and set-up is subjective, and situations will occur where objectives are unable to be met. Professional observations and constructive criticism on the preparation and set-up of courses is welcome, and should be directed to the Tournament Staff.

## **PREPARATION**

Although abnormal conditions, adverse weather, or venue capabilities will sometimes prevent establishing the desired course conditions, the following will normally be objectives for tournament sites:

Tees: Firm, closely-mown, level and adequately-sized (to the extent possible), in order to provide flexibility.

Fairways: Firm and closely-mown, varying in width according to course and year-long variety.

Greens: Closely-mown with firmness and speed varying for contours, grass-type and conditions, and predicted weather.

Rough: Varying in length and penalty according to course and year-long variety.

Bunkers: Prepared each day in a timely manner with well-defined edges.

Maintenance & Irrigation: Undertaken to achieve the above, but modified as necessary for consistency, adverse conditions, and predicted weather.

## **SET-UP**

Tee placements and hole locations should take into account the following:

- Hole type, difficulty and length (including forced-carries)
- Design features
- Course conditions
- Predicted weather
- Variety of shot-making and shot-lengths required during the round
- Creation of excitement and drama for television partners, sponsors, and fans, particularly on the finishing holes.
- Weather Guidelines (with respect to completing the competition)
- Pace of play (this will not be a primary consideration)
- Tournament operations & logistics (this will not be a primary consideration)

On par-4's and par-5's one or more teeing grounds may be used. Back tees will not necessarily be used every round or at all. Creation of drama will weigh heavily in identifying holes suitable for set-up as either reachable par-5's or drivable par-4's. On par-3 holes, tee market placement should vary (if possible) to encourage broader shot selection both on all par-3's during each round and on each par-3 for the week.

Hole locations will generally be a reasonable distance from the green's edge and from contours. However, some hole locations may not be easily accessible, requiring judgement and skill.

## **ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM**

All contestants in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events are subject to the terms and conditions of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program. The full terms of the Anti-Doping Program may be found at [www.drugfreesport.com/rec](http://www.drugfreesport.com/rec) or [pgatourlinks.com](http://pgatourlinks.com). Questions regarding the Anti-Doping Program should be directed to Andy Levinson at PGA TOUR Headquarters.

## **INTEGRITY PROGRAM**

All contestants in PGA TOUR events are subject to the terms and conditions of the PGA TOUR Integrity Program. The Integrity Program among other things prohibits players from betting on professional golf and engaging in other betting-related activities and requires players to complete certain educational requirements, in an effort to maintain integrity and

prevent betting-related corruption in PGA TOUR events. The full terms of the Integrity Program may be found at [pgatourlinks.com](http://pgatourlinks.com). Questions regarding the Integrity Program should be directed to Andy Levinson, Senior Vice President, Tournament Administration, at PGA TOUR Headquarters.

## **PGA TOUR ALCOHOL POLICY**

Any member found to have violated any of the following provisions relating to the use of alcohol shall be considered to have engaged in conduct unbecoming a professional and shall be subject to a significant penalty:

- A. Consuming an alcoholic beverage during any practice round or tournament round (whether a pro-am round or a tournament competition round), on the practice tee or putting green.
- B. Moderate, responsible consumption of alcoholic beverages after play or during social functions is permitted. But players should know that alcohol related unprofessional incidents will constitute conduct unbecoming a professional.
- C. A PGA TOUR member's responsibility to conduct himself in a professional manner and lend credit to himself and his organization extends beyond the time that the member is engaging in tournament play at the tournament site. Accordingly, the Membership should be aware that, depending on the circumstances, being under the influence of alcohol at any time in a public place, whether at a tournament site or otherwise, may constitute conduct unbecoming a professional.

The Commissioner will conduct such inquiries and investigations as shall be appropriate to determine whether a member has violated the alcohol policy or any interpretations thereof.

## **PACE OF PLAY POLICY**

Rule 5.6b states, in part: "The player shall play at a prompt pace throughout the round. To encourage and enforce prompt play, the Committee shall set a Pace of Play Policy." The following pace of play guidelines, penalties and fines, for stroke play competitions have been adopted. In the administration of these pace of play guidelines, a member of the Rules Committee shall not tolerate abuse, oral or otherwise, by a player. Such abuse may constitute conduct unbecoming a professional.

## **DEFINITION OF "OUT OF POSITION"**

The first group to start will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, they exceed the time allotted to play, as detailed on the applicable course's Pace of Play Chart.

Any subsequent group will be considered out of position if, at any time during the round, they (a) exceed the allotted time to play and (b) reach a par-3 hole that is open and free of play, reach a par-4 hole and have not played a stroke from the teeing ground before the hole is open and free of play, or reach a par-5 hole and all players have not played a stroke from the teeing ground before the hole is open and free of play.

**NOTE: The Committee reserves the right to time a group when the Committee deems it necessary. Further, if a player is determined by the Rules Committee to be unreasonably slow, he may be timed individually at the Rules Committee's discretion, regardless of whether his group is out of position.**

## **TIMING**

When the Rules Committee determines that a group is starting to fall behind, or is just out of position, the group will receive an official warning. Such warning will be given as soon as possible, and given only once during a round. In some circumstances, the Rules Committee may commence timing without having given such a warning, including when a group has already fallen significantly behind and is affecting other groups. Warnings given to players in the lead groups will not count towards their cumulative warnings for the season.

Once a group (or certain players within the group) has been warned, the Rules Committee (if available to do so) will monitor the pace of individual players in the group to determine if any players should be timed individually, as opposed to the entire

group, in the case the group does not regain its position on the course.

When the Rules Committee determines that a group or an individual out of position will be timed, all players in the group, or the specific individual, will be informed they are being timed. Such timing could occur on any hole, including the finishing holes of a round.

Other than on the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is his turn to play and he can play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining yardage will count as time taken for the next stroke. On the putting green, timing will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to mark, lift, clean and replace his ball, repair his ball mark and other ball marks on his line of putt and remove loose impediments on his line of play.

**NOTE:** A player is permitted 40 seconds to play a stroke, and an extra 10 seconds (for a total of 50 seconds) will be allowed for:

- (a) the first player to play a stroke on a par-3 hole;
- (b) the first player to play a second stroke on a par-4 or par-5 hole;
- (c) the first player to play a third stroke on a par-5 hole;
- (d) the first player to play around the putting green;
- (e) the first player to play on the putting green.

Any player in a group being timed, who exceeds the applicable time to play a stroke, will be informed as soon as practicable.

## **PENALTIES DURING ROUND**

First Offense: One (1) timing exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (1 bad time) - no penalty.

Second Offense: One more timing (total of two) exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (2 bad times) - a one (1) stroke penalty.

Third Offense: One more timing (total of three) exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (3 bad times) - a two (2) stroke penalty.

Fourth Offense: One more timing (total of four) exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (4 bad times) - disqualification.

**NOTE:** Any timing exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (bad time) will be carried over throughout the tournament

## **EXCESSIVE SHOT TIME**

If any player in the field is observed by a Rules Official to take more than 120 seconds on a shot in the absence of a good reason for doing so, he will be given an Excessive Shot Time.

If an Excessive Shot Time is observed by an official, the official will notify the player as soon as is practical. This could be immediately after a shot if on a tee shot or approach shot, or at the conclusion of the hole if around or on the green.

## **FINES CUMULATIVE DURING SEASON**

All warnings, bad times, excessive shot times and timings accumulate throughout the season.

## **WARNINGS**

First through Twenty-fourth (24th) Offense:

First through Twenty-fourth (24th) occasion of being warned that your group is out of position - no fine.

Twenty-fifth (25th) Offense:

Twenty-fifth (25th) occasion of being warned that your group is out of position – a fine of \$500 and an additional \$125 for each 5 additional warnings received.

**NOTE:** Warnings will accumulate throughout the season. Warnings given to players in the lead groups will not count towards their cumulative warnings for the season.

## **BAD TIMES AND EXCESSIVE SHOT TIMES**

First Offense:

First timing exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (1 bad time) - no fine.

One (1) timing exceeding 120 seconds to play a stroke (1 excessive shot time) – no penalty.

Second Offense:

Second timing exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (2 bad times) - a fine of \$250. One more timing (total of two) exceeding 120 seconds to play a stroke (2 excessive shot time) – a fine of \$250.

Third and Subsequent Offenses:

Third and subsequent timings exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (3 or more bad times) - a fine of \$500 for each offense.

Third and subsequent timings exceeding 120 seconds to play a stroke (3 or more excessive shot times) – a fine of \$500 for each offense.

NOTE 1: Timings exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (bad times) and timings exceeding 120 seconds to play a stroke (excessive shot times) will accumulate throughout the season.

## **TIMINGS**

First through Ninth Offense:

First through ninth occasion of being out of position and timed - no fine.

Tenth Offense:

Tenth occasion of being out of position and timed - a fine of \$500.

Eleventh and Subsequent Offenses:

Eleventh and subsequent occasion of being out of position and timed - a fine of \$125 for each offense.

**NOTE:** Timings will accumulate throughout the season.

## **REPEAT OFFENSES**

Any player that receives a fine under this policy for any reason will be subject to double the existing fine structure the following season. For each consecutive season beyond one season in which the player is subject to fines under the policy, the fine amount will continue to double from the previous season.

## **APPEALS**

Any appeal of a bad time or excessive shot time must be referred to the on-site Chief Referee immediately upon completion of the player in question's round. The Chief Referee's decision shall be final. **If the player in question does not appeal immediately upon conclusion of his round, any penalties and fines shall stand.**

For excessive shot times, a provision has been added to account for "a valid reason for taking longer" on an individual shot. This is purposely broad in order to account for the wide range of situations a player can encounter on the course and will be interpreted in a fair way by the Rules Committee.

**NOTE: A player may not appeal an occasion of being warned or timed.**

## **CADDIE REGULATIONS**

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica reserves the right to determine the mandatory usage of caddies on a week to week basis. The policy could include mandatory use of caddies for all or any portion of a tournament week. Golf carts may occasionally be authorized by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee for practice or Pro-Am rounds, whereby caddies are not required.

When caddies are used they shall be paid promptly. The fee is to be resolved early in the week between the player and caddie. The PGA TOUR Latinoamérica reserves the right to establish minimum fees for caddies. Players who wish to bring their own caddies to PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments may do so. Players shall be responsible for the conduct and behavior of their caddies at tournaments.

The following shall be adhered to in all PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments.

1. All caddies must complete the caddie registration form each week. The Caddie Chairman and/or Caddie Master will supervise caddies and provide an area for caddies to rest while not on duty.
2. Caddies shall wear uniforms and identification badges as prescribed by the host tournament and PGA TOUR. Caddies shall wear smooth rubber-sole shoes, preferably tennis or basketball shoes. GOLF SPIKES soft or metal are prohibited.
3. Caddies clothing must conform to the Player Endorsement policy as stated in the – PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Player Handbook and Tournament Regulations.
4. Caddies may walk unaccompanied on putting greens during practice round days if play is not disrupted. Caddies may not walk on putting greens on any day, at any time, before or after a Pro-Am or official tournament round.
5. Caddies credentials provide clubhouse access as designated by tournament host.
6. Caddies are not permitted in the locker room at any time.
7. Caddies shall not be permitted on practice greens except to retrieve pitch and run shots or putts.
8. Caddies shall assist in maintaining the course by REPLACING DIVOTS AND RAKING BUNKERS as soon as practical after their player has played.
9. Caddies shall not hit shots or putts anywhere on the practice areas or course except in specially approved competitions.
10. Caddies shall not falsely register for accommodations or leave unpaid bills.
11. Caddies shall not engage in any conduct that is prohibited for players under the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program.
12. Caddies shall not engage in any conduct that is prohibited under the PGA TOUR Integrity Program.
13. Caddies shall not engage in conduct unbecoming a professional caddie on the PGA TOUR as determined in the sole discretion of the PGA TOUR.
14. Caddies must carry their player's clubs. Pull carts or the like are not permitted.

Personal information collected from you will be used by PGA TOUR for the purpose of administering the tournaments on the tours operated and/or sanctioned by PGA TOUR and providing you with information relating to products, services, news and promotions of PGA TOUR and affiliates of PGA TOUR. PGA TOUR shall not sell, share or otherwise disclose your personal information of applicants with third parties, other than to third parties engaged by PGA TOUR to fulfill the above purposes or as otherwise consented to by the applicant. To view PGA TOUR's Privacy Policy, visit [www.pgatour.com/company/privacy.html](http://www.pgatour.com/company/privacy.html).

A caddie who does not comply with these Caddie Regulations will be subject to losing the privilege to caddie on the PGA TOUR. Also, for any violation of these regulations which affect play, a fine will be levied against the player of the caddie.

## **PGA TOUR POLICY FOR PAYMENT OF PRIZE MONEY TO PLAYERS WHO MAKE THE CUT BUT ARE UNABLE TO COMPLETE THE TOURNAMENT**

Any professional who is disqualified or withdraws for any reason from an official money tournament after making the cut shall be paid last place, unofficial prize money. A professional who begins play at an official money event without a cut and is disqualified or withdraws for any reason shall be paid last place, unofficial money.

Any professional who has qualified for an official money event without a cut or an alternate list, but is unable to play due to a serious personal emergency, injury or other disability which requires ongoing medical attention will receive last place, unofficial money without being required to register on-site. The Commissioner, in his discretion, may require a player to provide medical reports or other documentation substantiating the seriousness of his injury or other medical disability.

## **MOBILE AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY FOR CONTESTANTS AND OTHERS WITH ACCESS TO PRACTICE AREAS OR GOLF COURSE**

### **On Practice Days**

- Players may use a mobile device in designated practice areas or on the golf course for calls, data services and capturing content. As a courtesy to fellow competitors, players must step away from the hitting line on the range when using a mobile device and keep the device in the “vibrate” or “silent ring” mode.
- Other electronic devices (rangefinders, launch monitors, video cameras for instruction, heart monitors, pedometers, etc.) may be used in designated practice areas and on the golf course, but only with proper etiquette and in a manner that does not distract or slow other players.

### **During Pro-Ams**

- Players may use a mobile device in designated practice areas only. Players are prohibited from using a mobile device for calls on the golf course during any official pro-am round. Players may use a mobile device for data services and capturing content in designated practice areas and on the golf course.
- Other electronic devices, as defined above, may be used in designated practice areas but are prohibited on the golf course unless approved by the Rules Committee.

### **During Official Competition**

- Mobile devices are strictly prohibited in all designated practice areas and on the golf course during official competition rounds. On designated practice areas only, data services and capturing content are allowed if done in a courteous and silent manner.
- Mobile and other electronic devices are prohibited for all purposes on the golf course for use by players and caddies unless approved by the Rules Committee. In addition to being considered conduct unbecoming a professional, the use of such devices may also be a violation of the Rules of Golf.
- Rule 4.3a(4) of the Rules of Golf states, in part: “Not Allowed: The use of equipment to listen to music or other audio to eliminate distractions or to help with swing tempo, or to view video showing play of a player during the competition that helps the player in choosing a club, making a stroke, or deciding how to play the round.” Penalty for first breach is the General Penalty, for second breach penalty is Disqualification.

**NOTE:** The use of mobile devices by players for capturing and distributing social media content must comply with the PGA TOUR Official Policy for Players Posting/Streaming to Social Media on Site at Events.

## **GUIDELINES OF PLAYERS' USE OF SOCIAL MEDIA AT EVENTS**

All contestants in PGA TOUR events are subject to the terms and conditions of the PGA TOUR Official Policy for Players Posting/Streaming to Social Media on Site at Events. The full terms of the Policy may be found at [pgatourlinks.com](http://pgatourlinks.com).

## **INTERNET POLICY**

The PGA TOUR creates a section within PGA TOUR.COM with information about each member.

Each player's site consists of players photos, a biography consisting of data similar to the information found in the Media Guides, statistics, results from the current year's tournaments, a scorecard from the most recent tournament played, and related stores and content.

The PGA TOUR recognizes that in the age of the internet, PGA TOUR members may be launching or re-launching their **own web sites to support their fans, their sponsors, and their personal business ventures.**

At the written request of a PGA TOUR member, PGA TOUR.COM will link to such player's "official player site" from that particular player's page on PGA TOUR.COM so long as there is a reciprocal link back to PGA TOUR.COM from the "official player site" home page.

Keep in mind that a PGA TOUR member's marketing rights have specific parameters regarding the use of the PGA TOUR name, marks, or logo. These parameters also apply to online usage.

In addition to linking capabilities and the use of TOUR marks, PGA TOUR.COM will attempt to assist any member in his online ventures. Please contact the Player Relations Department or the PGA TOUR.COM department (Scott Gutterman – x4892) with additional questions.

## **DATA PROTECTION & PRIVACY**

The protection of our players' personally identifiable information is of the utmost importance at the PGA TOUR. Such information is used by PGA TOUR to administer the tournaments operated and/or sanctioned by PGA TOUR, provide membership benefits, and provide PGA TOUR players with information relating to membership, products, services, news and promotions of PGA TOUR and its affiliates. In light of new laws coming into effect such as the European Union's General Data Protection Regulation, the PGA TOUR has developed a Data Protection & Privacy Compliance Working Group to focus on the safeguards and best practices for the collection and processing of personal data. If at any time, you would like to access or correct any of your personally identifiable information, please contact [datacompliance@pgatourhq.com](mailto:datacompliance@pgatourhq.com).

## **PLAYER ENDORSEMENT POLICY**

All sponsorships, endorsements, name and likeness arrangements and promotional activities (collectively, "sponsorships") of members, whether during or outside PGA TOUR competitions, are subject to this policy. When playing in PGA TOUR co-sponsored, sanctioned or approved events, non-member contestants are subject to this policy as well. Generally, all sponsorships must be tasteful and in accordance with standards of decorum expected of professional golfers. Sponsorships that may reflect adversely upon the image and reputation of the PGA TOUR, cast the PGA TOUR in an unfavorable light, insult or offend the community or any group within the community or be viewed as hateful, abusive, obscene or divisive, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR, are prohibited. Further, the following addresses categories of special concern:



*Season-Long Points Competition Sponsor FedEx.* In recognition of the unique standing of FedEx as the sole sponsor of a season-long points competition on the PGA TOUR, so long as FedEx is the season-long sponsor of the PGA TOUR, no sponsorships are allowed by FedEx competitors United Parcel Services (“UPS”) or DHL Express (“DHL”) that involve displaying the name, logo or any product likeness of either company on a player’s apparel, headwear, golf bag or golf equipment. Such provision shall apply during PGA TOUR co-sponsored, sponsored and sanctioned events to members only. Players with existing sponsorship agreements as of January 1, 2017 with either UPS or DHL will be allowed to continue or extend such relationship but may not expand upon the contractual branding or endorsement obligations in such relationships.

*Tobacco / Marijuana.* No sponsorships of any sort are permitted by companies selling tobacco products (including, starting March 1, 2019, cigars and tobacco smoked in pipes), smokeless tobacco products (including e-cigarettes and vaping products) and marijuana products (recreational and medicinal). However, a player may make appearances for any such company as long as the appearances are private and not promoted or covered publicly. Players with existing sponsorships by companies selling cigars and tobacco smoked in pipes as of March 1, 2019 will be allowed to continue or extend such sponsorships after such date but may not expand such sponsorships after such date.

*Alcohol.* A player may have a sponsorship by a beer, wine, distilled spirit or other alcohol company, subject to the following terms and conditions:

- . Any ads and other promotions (using a player’s name or likeness) for any alcohol company must include a social responsibility message and cannot include a direct call to action (e.g. “Call 1-800-555-5555 or visit us at [www.xyz.com](http://www.xyz.com)” or “Drink XYZ Distilled Spirit”).
- . A player may not display more than one name, brand, logo or other mark or identifier of any alcohol company on the player’s apparel, headwear, golf bag and golf equipment in the aggregate at any time.
- . No visual representation of any alcohol product (e.g., liquor bottle, etc.) may appear on a player’s headwear, apparel, golf bag or golf equipment.

*Gambling and Casinos.* A player may have sponsorships by casinos and other legal gambling companies, except for a sponsorship in the United States by a company whose primary purpose is sports betting, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR. For example, a player may have a worldwide sponsorship by MGM Resorts or Caesars, or a sponsorship outside the United States by Bet365, but not a sponsorship in the United States by Bet365 (to illustrate, a player could have an agreement for Bet365 to use his name and likeness in an ad for its sportsbook that runs in Asia, as long as it does not run in the United States and there is no promotion or activation in the United States). Sponsorships by gambling companies are further subject to the following terms and conditions:

- . All sponsorships by gambling companies require the prior approval of the PGA TOUR. All sponsorships must be submitted to the PGA TOUR Competitions department in advance for review and approval.
- . The gambling company must be in compliance with all applicable gambling laws.
- . Daily fantasy companies (e.g., DraftKings and FanDuel) are treated as “gambling companies” for purposes of this policy, but not companies “whose primary purpose is sports betting.” Accordingly, DraftKings and FanDuel are treated for purposes of this policy like MGM Resorts and Caesars, not Bet365 and William Hill.
- . On a worldwide basis, a player may display on the player’s apparel, headwear, golf bag or golf equipment any name, brand, logo or other identifier of a gambling company, excluding a gambling company whose primary purpose is sports betting, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR. For example, a player may display “MGM Resorts,” “MGM Casinos,” “playMGM” (the brand of MGM’s mobile betting app), “Foxwoods Resort & Casino,” “FanDuel,” or “FanDuel Sportsbook,” but not “William Hill” or “Bet365” (inside or outside the United States).

- . No visual representation of any gambling-related product (e.g., cards or dice) may appear on a player's headwear, apparel, golf bag or golf equipment.
- . A player may not display on the player's apparel, headwear, golf bag or golf equipment more than one gambling-related identifier in the aggregate at any time.
- . A player may publicly appear and otherwise be used in ads and other promotions for sports betting and daily fantasy generally, excluding ads and other promotions in the United States if the company's primary purpose is sports betting, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR. Further, the player may promote daily fantasy golf but may not promote betting on golf anywhere in the world. For example, a player may appear in a worldwide ad for MGM Resorts encouraging consumers to download the MGM mobile betting app, or a worldwide ad for DraftKings encouraging consumers to play daily fantasy golf, but not an ad to bet specifically on golf (and not an ad in the United States for Bet365). Further, the ad or promotion must include a responsible gambling or social responsibility message (e.g., "Please remember to bet responsibly").
- . A player may not have a sponsorship in the United States by a company whose primary purpose is sports betting, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR. However, a player may make appearances in the United States for any such company as long as the appearances are private and not promoted or covered publicly.
- . A player may not enter into any sponsorship or other agreement that provides compensation to the player based on any sports betting activity (e.g., a player may not receive a revenue share based on the "handle" or revenues from sports betting).
- . A sponsorship may not have a term that extends past December 31, 2021 (unless otherwise approved by the PGA TOUR in its sole discretion).

*Logo / Mark Size, Location and Quantity.* All names, brands, logos and other marks and identifiers ("marks") on a player's apparel, headwear, golf bag and golf equipment must be in good taste as to content, size, location and quantity, as reasonably determined by the PGA TOUR. Further, all marks must satisfy the following specific terms and conditions:

- . A mark (other than a mark on a golf bag) may not exceed three by five inches (3"x5").
- . Marks on upper torso apparel (including shirts, sweaters, outerwear and upper torso underwear, but excluding, for clarity, belts and headwear) may appear only at the following seven locations: right and left breast, right and left sleeve, right and left collar, and the yoke of the back (i.e., just below the collar). Only one mark may appear at each such location (i.e., seven logos total are permitted for upper torso apparel).
- . Marks on belts may appear only on the buckle or front buckle area. Only one mark may appear on a belt.
- . Marks on lower torso apparel (including pants and outerwear, but excluding, for clarity, belts and footwear) may appear only at the following locations: the right or left back pocket area (but not both back pocket areas) and below the right or left knee (but not below both knees). Only one mark may appear at each such location (i.e., two logos total are permitted for lower torso apparel).
- . The location of marks is otherwise not restricted, but all marks must satisfy the good taste requirement set forth above.

*Golf Outings.* Golf outings for all companies are subject to the conflicting events terms set forth in Section A-2 of Article V.

## **MEASURING CONDITION OF PUTTING GREENS**

The Rules of Golf state that before a round or playoff on any day of a stroke play competition, a competitor must not practice on the competition course or test the surface of any putting green on the course by rolling a ball or roughing or scraping the surface.

The PGA TOUR has adopted the following policy which applies to PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica and PGA TOUR Canada:

- . Contestants and caddies ARE NOT permitted to use a device that measures the condition (i.e. slope, texture, firmness or moisture level) of any putting green on the course on any day of a stroke play or match play competition. The use of such device is only permitted on practice days.
- . A contestant or caddie who does not comply with this policy is subject to disciplinary action under Article VII. DISCIPLINE, PENALTIES & APPEALS, Section C: Conduct Unbecoming a Professional of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations.

## **MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

### **ANNUAL MEETING(S)**

The Annual Meeting(s) of the members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica will be held annually at a place and time determined by the Commissioner at least 60 days prior to the holding thereof. Players invited to attend will include all regular members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. All PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members in the field shall be required to attend this meeting. Failure to do so will result in a fine.

### **SPECIAL MEETINGS**

Special meetings of members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica will be held whenever called by the Commissioner upon the written request of two or more of the Player Directors of the PGA TOUR Policy Board, or upon the filing with the Commissioner of a petition signed by not less than 25 percent of the regular members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. Within 30 days of the receipt of the petition, the Commissioner will schedule and give notice of such meeting.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

### **Roberto De Vincenzo Award**

Awarded annually to the leading player on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica official Points List. Roberto De Vincenzo earned the most international wins of any other Latin American player and is considered one of the greatest ambassadors the sport has ever produced from the region.

## **NATIONALITY POLICY**

### **I. General**

Any Athlete in an International Golf Competition (Section II) must be a national of the country which the Athlete is representing or under which the Athlete is eligible for the competition.

The IGF publishes this policy (“**Nationality Policy**”) as it pertains to matters relating to the determination of the country which an Athlete may represent in an *International Golf Competition* listed below, and from time-to-time will advise sanctioning organizations of *International Golf Competitions* as to guidelines and standards on making determinations on an Athlete’s nationality.

Each sanctioning organization has adopted the Nationality Policy and shares decisions based on nationality with the IGF and other sanctioning organizations. All matters relating to the determination of the country which an Athlete may represent in an *International Golf Competition* listed below shall be resolved by the sanctioning organization for that event, in its sole discretion.

### **II. International Golf Competitions**

For the purposes of this policy, International Golf Competitions are as follows:

#### **Women’s Competitions**

#### **Sanctioning Organization**

Espirito Santo Trophy

International Golf Federation

Solheim Cup

LPGA

International Crown

LPGA

Olympic Games

International Golf Federation

Youth Olympic Games

International Golf Federation

#### **Men’s Competitions**

#### **Sanctioning Organization**

Eisenhower Trophy

International Golf Federation

Ryder Cup

European Tour & PGA of America

Presidents Cup

PGA TOUR

Olympic Games

International Golf Federation

Youth Olympic Games

International Golf Federation

World Cup

International Federation of PGA Tours

### **III. Nationality**

An Athlete will be considered a national of a country if the Athlete is a citizen of the country, as defined by the laws of such country.

An Athlete who is a national of two or more countries at the same time may represent either one of them, as the Athlete may elect. However, after having represented one country in an International Golf Competition, the Athlete may not represent another country unless first meeting the conditions set forth below that apply to persons who have changed their nationality or acquired a new nationality.

An Athlete who has represented one country in an International Golf Competition, and who has changed nationality or acquired a new nationality, may participate in another International Golf Competition representing the new country provided that, as of the start of the qualification period for such event, at least four years have passed since the Athlete last represented his/her former country. This period may be extended, reduced or even cancelled, with the agreement of the sanctioning organization, which takes into account the circumstances of each case and any applicable guidelines and standards provided by the IGF.

If an associated state, province or overseas department, a country or colony acquires independence, if a country becomes incorporated within another country by reason of a change of border, or if a country merges with another country, an Athlete may continue to represent the country to which the Athlete belongs or belonged. However, if the Athlete prefers, the Athlete may elect to represent the new country. This particular choice may be made only once for any other International Golf Event including future Olympic Games.

Furthermore, in all cases in which an Athlete would be eligible to participate in an *International Golf Competition*, either by representing another country than his/hers or by having the choice as to the country which such Athlete intends to represent, the sanctioning organization may take all decisions of a general or individual nature with regard to issues resulting from nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of any Athlete, including the duration of any waiting period, taking into account the circumstances of each case and any applicable guidelines and standards provided by the IGF.

#### **IV. Countries and Continents**

For the purposes of defining a country (or territory, if applicable) of which an Athlete is a national, the current list of National Olympic Committees as recognized by the International Olympic Committee will be used. For International Golf Competitions other than the Olympic Games and Youth Olympic Games, England, Scotland and Wales will be considered to be separate countries.

For the purposes of defining the continent of Europe as it relates only to certain International Golf Competitions which either include all countries within Europe as a team or exclude all countries within Europe from a team, the following countries will be considered to be within Europe and not part of regions other than Europe:

Albania	Estonia	Liechtenstein	Russian Federation
Andorra	Finland	Lithuania	San Marino
Armenia	France	Luxembourg	Serbia
Austria	Georgia	Macedonia	Slovak Republic
Azerbaijan	Germany	Malta	Slovenia
Belarus	Greece	Moldova	Spain

Belgium	Hungary	Monaco	Sweden
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Iceland	Montenegro	Switzerland
Bulgaria	Ireland	The Netherlands	Turkey
Croatia	Israel	Norway	Ukraine
Cyprus	Italy	Poland	United Kingdom
Czech Republic	Kazakhstan	Portugal	
Denmark	Latvia	Romania	

## **V. Rankings**

An Athlete should ensure that his/her nationality is correctly listed on the appropriate world golf ranking system. For women's International Golf Competitions, this shall be the Rolex Women's World Rankings. For men's International Golf Competitions, this shall be the Official World Golf Rankings. For the purposes of applying this policy, the Athlete will be presumed to be a national of the country listed on the appropriate world rankings system, subject to verification in accordance with this policy. Any decisions taken related to an Athlete's nationality in accordance with this policy shall be referred by the IGF to the appropriate ranking system, who shall display the correct nationality of each Athlete within the rankings.

An Athlete eligible to participate in an International Golf Competition by representing another country to the one previously represented (by either changing nationality or acquiring a new nationality) in accordance with this policy will only be eligible for International Golf Competitions for which the qualification period has not yet started, unless otherwise allowed by the sanctioning organization.

An Athlete eligible to participate in an International Golf Competition by having the choice as to the country which such Athlete intends to represent in accordance with this policy will only be eligible for International Golf Competitions for which the qualification period has not yet started, unless otherwise allowed by the sanctioning organization.

An Athlete who changes his nationality for an International Golf Competition prior to the qualifications and eligibility period beginning for such event, yet subsequently fails to qualify for the competition, is subject to the provisions of this policy including the time periods prescribed herein.

**2021-22**

**PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA**

**TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**



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## **PGA TOUR LATINOAMÉRICA TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**

These Tournament Regulations shall govern the operation and administration of PGA TOUR Latinoamérica golf tournaments cosponsored by the PGA TOUR.

These Regulations may be amended or repealed from time to time as provided in Article IX, Section D hereof.

The Commissioner of PGA TOUR shall interpret and apply these Regulations and, in the interim between meetings of the PGA TOUR Policy Board, if he deems it in the interest of the game of golf, the sponsors, the public or the players, may waive or suspend the application of any one or more of the regulations.

No right or privilege pursuant to these Regulations shall be denied on the basis of race, religion, sex, sexual orientation or national origin.

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## I. DEFINITIONS

- A. “PGA TOUR Latinoamérica” events mean those tournaments or events for which the eligible players are as described in Article III of these Regulations.
- B. A “cosponsored” PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament or event is a golf competition for which PGA TOUR contracts with a cosponsor. The respective responsibilities of PGA TOUR and the cosponsor with respect to such an event shall be as set forth in the tournament agreement for such event.
- C. An “open event” is a cosponsored tournament or event for which all players eligible under these Regulations may apply to enter.
- D. “Exempt” (e.g., an “exempt player”) means automatically eligible to compete in particular events without additional (i.e., event-by-event) qualifying, subject to the availability of space in the tournament field and to these Regulations.
- E. The “Official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Tour Points List” is the list of players ranked according to the amount of official points (see Article IV, Section B-6 of these Regulations) each has won in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored events in the applicable time period. For the purposes of determining the top-5 players on the Points List at the conclusion of the season who gain Korn Ferry Tour membership for the following season, PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour members who are exempt for the following season will not be counted. For the purposes of determining the players 2 through 5 on the Points List at the conclusion of the season who gain Korn Ferry Tour membership for the following season, any player already in a higher priority category will not be counted. However, all players will be counted on the Points List for the purposes of determining membership on the following year’s PGA TOUR Latinoamérica via any eligibility category and will be listed on the Points List as used to determine any other performance benefit.

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## **II. TOURNAMENT AGREEMENT**

All PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments shall be conducted pursuant to a written contract between PGA TOUR and the host organization (the “Tournament Agreement”). The Commissioner of PGA TOUR as its chief executive officer, or his designated representative, is authorized to execute tournament agreements on behalf of PGA TOUR. The tournament agreements shall be in conformance with these Regulations, which shall be incorporated by reference therein and be a part thereof.

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### III. ELIGIBILITY FOR TOURNAMENT PLAY

- A. Subject to the approval of PGA TOUR and to the availability of places in particular tournament fields as determined by PGA TOUR, players eligible to compete in cosponsored events shall be PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members, Korn Ferry Tour members, PGA TOUR University members and qualified amateurs in the following categories:

1. **Eligible Players** (listed in order of the priority that shall be used to complete the starting field in open events):

(a) **Tournament Winners**

Winners of TOUR PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored events, whose victories are considered official, during the current season year and the previous season.

**NOTE:** If a player under 18 years of age wins a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored or approved event, such player, upon reaching age 18 and joining PGA TOUR Latinoamérica would be entitled to the remainder of the exemption provided as a result of such win, which shall be determined as if it commenced on the date of such win.

(b) **PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List**

The top 60 players on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List from the previous season.

(c) **Winners from Qualifying Tournaments**

The Winners from each of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournaments held in Argentina, Mexico, Ocala and Mission Inn.

(d) **Top 5 Finishers – PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Developmental Finals**

The Top-5 finishers from the most recent PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Developmental Finals event.

(e) **Top 5 Finishers – PGA TOUR University Ranking List**

Finishers 1 – 5 from the current season’s Final PGA TOUR University Ranking List.

(f) **2-12 Finishers from Qualifying Tournaments**

Finishers 2-12 from each of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournaments held in Argentina, Mexico, Ocala and Mission Inn.

Note: After the completion of the first portion of the season, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica points earned to that point in the season. The reorder will also include conditional finishers from the qualifying tournaments, the top 5 finishers from the 2019 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Order of Merit, finishers 6-20 plus ties from the Developmental Finals, the top 3 non-members on the 2021-22 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List from the first portion of the season, 3<sup>rd</sup> year past champions, Korn Ferry Tour members in the current Top 60 that are not otherwise exempt.

For the purposes of reordering 2-12 Finishers from the Qualifying Tournaments and who have not earned official points as of the reordering, players will be ranked according to finish position at Argentina, Mexico, Ocala and Mission Inn (in alternating order at the same position).

(g) **Open Qualifying**

A minimum of 6 low scorers at open qualifying for each open cosponsored event held in accordance with

applicable PGA TOUR Latinoamérica policies and procedures. Such open qualifying shall normally be held on Monday of tournament week and shall be open to all amateurs with handicaps of 4 or less and to all professional golfers.

**NOTE:** The final number of open qualifying spots will be determined as of the commitment deadline on the Wednesday preceding the tournament.

**NOTE:** PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members who have not committed to the tournament by the commitment deadline may enter open qualifying.

**NOTE:** Open Qualifying spots are at the discretion of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee and shall be based on a competitor returning a competitive score as determined by the Chief Referee.

**(h) Sponsor Exemptions**

On invitation of the tournament sponsor, a maximum of 24 players, including up to a maximum of 7 amateurs with handicaps of 2 or less, provided that any such player selected shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioner or his designee.

Further, on the invitation of the umbrella sponsor, a maximum of one (1) player, including amateurs with handicaps of 2 or less, provided that any such player selected shall be subject to the approval of the Commissioner or his designee.

**NOTE:** At official money tournaments, a member who failed to commit to the tournament by the commitment deadline and who would not have been part of the eligible field at such deadline may accept an unrestricted sponsor exemption after the deadline.

**NOTE:** A tournament sponsor may not (i) hold a fundraising qualifying event for the purpose of determining a sponsor exemption or (ii) directly or indirectly award, offer or sell a sponsor exemption in exchange for any cash, in-kind or other consideration from a player, agency, sponsor, intermediary or any other person or entity. Without limitation, a tournament sponsor may not offer or sell a sponsorship, including any local sponsorship, pro-am or hospitality package, that is conditioned (in writing or implicitly) on the sponsor having the authority to directly or indirectly award a sponsor exemption. Further, without limitation, a tournament sponsor may not facilitate or enter into any arrangement whereby a player directly or indirectly provides cash, in-kind assets (e.g., an appearance), a share or the player's prize money, a commitment from the player to engage the tournament sponsor for representation (where the tournament sponsor is also a player management group) or other consideration for a sponsor exemption. In the event of a potential violation, the PGA TOUR may request, and the tournament sponsor must provide, copies of contracts and other communications, financial reports, interviews and other information relating to the potential violation. A violation of the provisions of this paragraph will result in such sanctions determined by PGA TOUR, which will depend on the severity of the violation, whether the violation is a first or repeated offense and other factors. The sanctions may include a warning, loss of PGA TOUR accreditation for the Chief Referee, the loss of financial support from the PGA TOUR including loss of its annual cash contribution contingent on compliance and/or the loss of one or more sponsor exemptions for the current and/or future years. Further, a violation of these provisions would be a breach of the tournament agreement and could result in the termination of the tournament agreement. Further, a player who violates the provisions set forth in Article VI. Section B (No Guarantee for Appearance) of these Regulations will be deemed to have engaged in conduct unbecoming a professional and may be subject to a fine, suspension from play in PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved tournaments, permanent disbarment from such play, an appropriate combination thereof or other discipline.

**(i) Current Korn Ferry Tour Members**

Up to 10 players who are currently members of the Korn Ferry Tour and/or PGA TOUR and who have joined

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, in order of current eligibility on the Korn Ferry Tour as prescribed by the Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations.

(j) **Top 20 from Previous Event**

If not otherwise exempt under Sections A.1(a)-(j) of this Article III, the top 20 finishing players (including amateurs) and those tied for 20th place in the order of finish in the immediately preceding PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event awarding official points (excluding co-sanctioned events) and on a space-available basis (i.e., such number as shall be needed to fill the field). In cases of total-score ties, the priority order will be established by matching round scores, beginning with the final round of the event in which the players finished in the top 20, and working backward. If needed, the last round hole-by-hole scores will be used starting on 18 and going backwards. To be exempt pursuant to this Section A.1(i), a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member or non-member shall have committed by the commitment deadline set forth in Section A.2 of Article IV or to an onsite PGA TOUR Latinoamérica official within one-half hour after the conclusion of such immediately preceding event. The winner of the tournament, whether or not a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member, may also commit onsite as provided above.

**NOTE:** Those players in the top 20 and tied for 20th place in the last open PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event shall not be exempt pursuant to this Section A.1(i) into the first PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event of the next season, if not otherwise exempt.

**NOTE:** Amateurs that finish in the top 20 plus ties may utilize this eligibility even if they turn professional for the next event.

(k) **Finishers 6 through 10 – Developmental Finals**

Finishers 6-10 from the most recent PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Developmental Finals. Priority is based on finish position.

(l) **Top 3 Non-Members** - Following the conclusion of the first portion of the season, the top 3 non-members from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List to a floor of 60<sup>th</sup> position, who choose to join PGA TOUR Latinoamérica.

(m) **Top 5 Finishers from the 2019 Season PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Order of Merit (Los Cinco)**

Finishers 1 – 5 from the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica 2019 season's Final Order of Merit.

(n) **Next 13-40 Finishers & Ties from the Qualifying Tournaments and Finishers 11 through 15 Developmental Finals.**

The Next 13-40 finishers and ties from each of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournaments and Finishers 11 through 15 – Developmental Finals in alternating order, as follows: Beginning with the first conditional finisher from Argentina, the first conditional finisher from Mexico, the first conditional finisher from Ocala, and the first conditional finisher from Mission Inn to a floor of 7<sup>th</sup> position on each list. Following this, the 11<sup>th</sup> finisher at Developmental Finals will also alternate after the 8<sup>th</sup> conditional finishers from the Qualifying Tournament.

(o) **Past Champions Year Three**

Tournament winners whose victories are considered official, within 2 seasons prior to the current season.

(p) **Additional Korn Ferry Tour Members**

Additional players who are currently members of the Korn Ferry Tour and/or PGA TOUR who have joined PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, in order of current eligibility on the Korn Ferry Tour as prescribed by the Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations, that are not otherwise exempt.

(q) **Finishers 16-20 and Ties – Developmental Finals**

If needed to fill the field, finishers 16 – 20 and ties from the most recent PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Developmental Finals. Priority is based on finish position.

(r) **Additional Open Qualifiers**

(If needed to fill the field to 132 players) - Any additional tournament spots or tournament alternate positions are at the discretion of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee and will be based on a competitor returning a competitive score as determined by the Chief Referee.

2. **Qualifying**

(a) **PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournament**

PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournament may consist of pre-qualifying, in addition to the Final Qualifying competition if applicable. Applicants for the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Qualifying Tournament must apply on forms furnished by PGA TOUR and must pay the application fee prescribed by PGA TOUR. Successful contestants in the qualifying tournament also shall be required, as a condition of application for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica membership, to attend classroom instruction in subjects pertaining to professional golf.

(b) **Nonmember Qualifying**

If a nonmember of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica who is a professional wins a cosponsored event, then he shall be eligible to compete in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events as provided in Section A.1(a) of this Article III, provided that he joins the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica as a regular member within 60 days after his win. If a nonmember of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica who is an amateur wins a cosponsored event, then he shall be eligible to compete in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events as provided in Section A.1(a) of this Article III as an amateur or he may join the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica as a regular member at any time during the year in which the win occurred.

B. **OTHER ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

In any cosponsored event, eligibility of a player to participate also shall be conditioned on the following:

1. **Entry Form and Fee**

No player shall be eligible to participate in a cosponsored event unless he has executed an entry form as prescribed in Section B.1 of Article IV of these Regulations, and he has paid the required entry fee, the amount of which shall be set from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

2. **PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Dues**

Every regular member of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica shall pay annual dues of \$750, or such other amount as shall be determined by the PGA TOUR Policy Board from time to time.

3. **Insurance**

As a further condition of entry in any cosponsored tournament, each player must furnish evidence acceptable to PGA TOUR that he has obtained personal liability insurance covering any liability or claim that may arise from his participation in such tournament in minimum amounts of \$1,000,000 for each occurrence, with PGA TOUR, Inc., the Professional Golfers' Association of America, and such other affiliated entities as shall be designated from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board, shall be named additional insured under such policy, indicating the name of the insurance company and the number of the policy by which he is insured. In addition, nonmembers of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica or the PGA who enter a cosponsored tournament may be required as a condition of entry to pay a fee to PGA TOUR for the cost of personal liability insurance covering participation in such tournament.

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## IV. CONDUCT OF TOURNAMENTS

The management and conduct of all PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments, pro-am events and other golf events shall be under the direction of PGA TOUR, and such events shall be played in accordance with these Regulations and the tournament agreements applicable thereto.

### A. MATTERS RELATING TO PLAY

#### 1. Starting Fields

The starting field in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica open cosponsored tournaments shall consist of those players listed in Section A of Article III (in the order in which listed). Except if specified otherwise in the tournament agreement, the number of players in the starting field of an open tournament shall be 144 players. The Chief Referee may, however, amend the starting field to such number as he determines in his discretion to be required by the circumstances (e.g., due to lack of available daylight, to incorporate all exempt players, etc.).

**NOTE:** In the event that a player is incorrectly included in a starting field, he shall be removed as soon as practical, and be reimbursed for reasonable travel expenses by PGA TOUR.

#### 2. Commitments and Personal Registration

Eligible players wishing to participate in a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored event must commit to such event in accordance with the terms of this Subsection A.2. Advance commitments by players shall be made by committing electronically via the Player LINKS website, as prescribed by PGA TOUR Latinoamérica from time to time.

While advance commitments may be made at any time, the deadline for all players to commit to PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored events shall be 5 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the Wednesday of the week prior to the tournament, provided, however, that any Latinoamérica member or nonmember eligible for a Latinoamérica event by reason of finishing in the top 20 of the previous event [see Article III, Section A.1(j)] and the winner of the previous week's event may commit for the next event by notifying the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee on site at the event where such person won or finished in the top 20 within 30 minutes after the conclusion of such event.

A player must register personally at the tournament site prior to any practice or pro-am round at the tournament course or in any case by Tuesday at 5 p.m. local time. Players may request permission for late registration, provided such request is made to a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament official on-site by 5 p.m. local time on the day of such deadline. Failure to register (or request late registration) as specified will result in disciplinary action. Furthermore, a player failing to register prior to his first tournament round shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament unless satisfactory evidence of mitigating circumstances has been provided to the Chief Referee.

Korn Ferry Tour members in categories (a) through (e), (h), and (i) of Article III, Section A-1, are eligible for and may commit to both PGA TOUR Latinoamérica and Korn Ferry Tour events scheduled for the same week. If any such player is in the field of both events at the Korn Ferry Tour commitment deadline, he shall notify PGA TOUR Headquarters of his intention to play either the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event or the Korn Ferry Tour event in the following week not later than 3 p.m. (Eastern Time) on Monday of the tournament week in question. Failure to notify PGA TOUR of his intentions by the 3 p.m. Monday deadline, will cause the player to be placed in the Korn Ferry Tour tournament field (provided he is still eligible).

#### 3. Groupings



Groupings in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments shall be by threes (3s) to the extent possible, prior to reduction of the field. Following the reduction of field, groupings shall be by pairs or as otherwise determined by the Chief Referee due to existing circumstances (e.g., lack of daylight). Subject to the discretion and under the supervision of the Chief Referee, groupings of players for the first two (2) rounds shall be made by draw in the following categories:

- (a) All members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions and PGA TOUR Canada.
- (b) All others including open qualifiers and sponsor exemptions.

Groupings for rounds 3 and 4 after a reduction of field shall be made on the basis of tournament standings at the conclusion of the preceding round. The lowest finishers at the end of such round will be grouped together. Groupings for the third and fourth rounds shall be fixed on the basis of tournament standings at the conclusion of the preceding round.

The remainder of the field will likewise be grouped in similar sequence. Ties shall be decided by the order of starting the round last played, with the later starting time assigned to the earlier starter in the previous round.

**4. Starting Times**

Starting times for the first and second rounds shall be assigned by draw, and shall be fixed for the round after a reduction of field on the basis of current standings at the conclusion of the preceding round, consistent with weather conditions and available daylight hours, with the highest scorers starting first and the lowest scorers starting last. However, in unusual circumstances the Chief Referee at his discretion may change this sequence. All starting times shall be fixed under the supervision of the Chief Referee. Starting times for the third and fourth rounds will be fixed on the basis of tournament standings at the conclusion of the preceding round.

**5. Reduction of Field (Cuts)**

Unless otherwise provided in the tournament agreement or unless otherwise determined by the Chief Referee at his discretion (e.g., due to weather), in accordance with Article IV, Section A.9 below, the starting field in a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournament shall be reduced to the 55 professional players having the lowest scores at the conclusion of 36 holes of tournament play, including any players tied for 55th place, plus amateurs with scores not higher than that of the 55th professional. Once a reduction of field has been made after 36 holes and the next round groupings have been approved by the Rules Committee, no withdrawal or disqualification will affect the calculation of the cut line.

**6. Substitutions and Alternates**

After the commitment deadline but before 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) on the third day preceding the first scheduled day of official tournament competition (usually Monday), any player who withdraws or is elevated to a higher eligibility category will be replaced by the highest ranking alternate on the applicable alternate list. At and after 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) on the third day preceding the first scheduled day of official tournament competition (usually Monday), any player who withdraws or who is disqualified, or is elevated to a higher eligibility category prior to starting will be replaced by the highest ranking alternate on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list, except that a player who withdraws, is disqualified or is elevated to a higher eligibility category and is an unrestricted sponsor exemptions may be replaced, at the discretion of the sponsor, by another sponsor exemption prior to 12:00 noon (local time at the tournament site) two days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Tuesday).

Sponsor exemptions must be named by 12:00 noon three days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Monday).

**NOTE:** After 5 pm (local time at the tournament site) on Monday of tournament week, any player in the Current

Korn Ferry Tour Member category (III.A.1.i) who withdraws or who is disqualified, or is elevated to a higher eligibility category prior to starting will be replaced by the highest ranking alternate on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list

**NOTE:** When the previous week's tournament concludes on Monday, the deadline above shall be extended to 12:00 noon on the second day preceding the first scheduled round of official tournament competition (usually Tuesday).

**NOTE:** Concurrently with a withdrawal, the highest ranking alternate from the applicable alternate list automatically becomes a contestant in the tournament and is subject to the same rules, regulations and guidelines as other contestants in the tournament field, including the obligation to begin play at an assigned starting time nor as otherwise determined by the Rules Committee.

**NOTE:** It is an alternate's responsibility to know his position on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list. It is the responsibility of the contestant or an alternate when he becomes a contestant to know his starting time. An alternate that is not available to replace the withdrawal is disqualified from that tournament.

## **7. Professional-Amateur Events**

Unless otherwise provided in the tournament agreement, the host organization of any cosponsored tournament may sponsor and conduct a professional-amateur golf event (a "pro-am") in conjunction with the tournament, to be played on the day immediately preceding the tournament unless otherwise approved by PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. The pro-am shall be played in groups no larger than four (4); each group must include at least one (1) professional or amateur who is inside the starting field (Such player will not be eligible for prize money).

**NOTE:** The host organization may also request that an unsanctioned pro-am be played on the tournament course on Monday. Schedules and formats for play of such pro-am events shall be subject to the prior written approval of the Commissioner, and PGA TOUR shall have no obligation with regard to providing professionals for such pro-ams. A maximum of 28 teams will be permitted for such pro-ams. Such pro-am will not be allowed if the open qualifying is conducted at the tournament course.

Amateur players shall be selected or approved by the host organization. Amateurs shall have up-to-date handicaps computed under the handicap procedure. They shall use their full handicaps or 21 strokes, whichever is lower, except that a plus handicap shall be changed to scratch or zero (0).

In any pro-am, the number of teams shall be limited to 52 professionals and two (2) or three (3) amateurs, including shotgun starts. The number of pro-am teams may be reduced by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee in his discretion, due to lack of available daylight, weather conditions or other contingencies.

The professionals eligible for the pro-am shall be determined as follows and in the following order of priority, provided, however, that if the number of pro-am teams is reduced to less than 52, the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee shall determine which professionals are eligible to compete.

**NOTE:** Professionals must be in the field at the commitment deadline in order to be eligible for the pro-am unless otherwise approved by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee.

- (a) The tournament winner from the previous week.
- (b) Previous season champion of current event.
- (c) The top available PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members from the current season's PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List, in order of their standings on such list, as of the commitment deadline for that event.

**NOTE:** The sum of players eligible for the pro-am from these three categories (a), (b) and (c) shall be 44 players.

- (d) The host organization shall have the right to choose the remaining professional players to fill the pro-am field without regard to the current season's Points List.

For events in which there is no official points list as of the respective commitment deadline (i.e. early season tournaments), the professionals eligible for the pro-am shall be determined as follows and in the following order of priority:

- (a) PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament winners from the previous season.
- (b) The top available PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members from the previous season's final Official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List, to a floor of 60th position, and in order of their standing on such list.
- (c) Additional PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members from the qualifying tournament (in alternating order if more than one site is used in the current season)

**NOTE:** The sum of players eligible for the pro-am from these three categories (a), (b) and (c) shall be 44 players, regardless of format.

- (d) The host organization shall have the right to choose the remaining professional players to fill the pro-am field without regard to the current season's Official Points List.

**NOTE:** Professionals playing in the pro-am in the current season's official PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Points List category, who are required to play in all pro-ams, may be excused at the discretion of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee twice per season (a player may use only one pro-am excused absence in each of the first and last portions of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica season). A player wishing to be excused from the pro-am must submit his request to PGA TOUR Latinoamérica by 5 p.m Eastern Time Wednesday of the week preceding tournament week. Players may not use an excused absence for The Tour Championship.

A commitment to enter a tournament is also a commitment to play in a related pro-am at the tournament course, if the player is so eligible for the pro-am. A player failing to meet any such pro-am obligation shall incur an automatic penalty of \$250. Repeated failure of a professional player to participate in a pro-am field for which he is eligible shall be considered conduct unbecoming a professional golfer and subject to disciplinary action by PGA TOUR.

The prize monies specified in the tournament agreement shall be paid to the professional players in the pro-am on the basis of low finishing professional scores therein.

If, in the judgment of the Chief Referee, adverse weather conditions or any other occurrence or condition beyond the control of PGA TOUR or the host organization renders commencement or continuation of the pro-am inadvisable in its originally scheduled format, the Chief Referee in his discretion may postpone, cancel or alter play therein. In the event of cancellation of the pro-am, prize monies shall be distributed equally among the professionals, provided at least 50 percent of the field has started.

The preferred format for the pro-am competition is one (1) best-ball of the team. In no case shall two (2) or more best-balls of the team be used. At the option of the host organization, the pro-am may be conducted using the scramble format or the select-drive format. Other general terms and conditions of such pro-am as described herein shall be applied, provided that each professional player in the pro-am will play the stroke play format and will not be a part of the amateur scramble competition other than the use of his score on a hole.

#### 8. **Best Efforts; Withdrawals**

In making a commitment to participate in a cosponsored event, a player thereby obligates himself to attempt to exercise his maximum golf skill and to play in a professional manner.

After making a commitment to participate in a tournament, a player shall not withdraw, either before or after signing an entry form for such tournament, except that:

- (a) Prior to the commitment deadline, a player may withdraw for any reason.
- (b) After the commitment deadline and before the tournament has commenced, a player may withdraw because of injury or other disability which requires medical attention, or serious personal emergency. The player shall immediately notify PGA TOUR of his reason for withdrawal, and within a period of 14 days submit written evidence supporting such reason to the Commissioner.
- (c) During a round, a player may withdraw because of injury or other disability which requires medical attention, or serious personal emergency. The player shall notify the Chief Referee of his reason for withdrawal, and within a period of 14 days submit written evidence supporting such reason to the Commissioner.
- (d) Upon completing any round of 18 holes a player may withdraw, upon notifying the Chief Referee and returning a signed score card.

A player who breaches the provisions of this section shall be subject to a fine or suspension from play, or both, in cosponsored events.

#### 9. **Postponements and Cancellations**

If, in the judgment of the Chief Referee, adverse weather conditions or any other occurrence or condition beyond the control of PGA TOUR render commencement or continuation of tournament play inadvisable, play shall be postponed until such time as the Chief Referee, after consultation with the host organization, determines that such weather conditions or other occurrence have improved sufficiently for play to commence or resume, provided that no such postponement shall extend the tournament beyond the scheduled conclusion of the tournament (normally Sunday), except that in the event of a suspension during a final round played on Sunday, when at least half of the field has completed play, the final round will be completed when conditions permit, but no later than Monday. In no situation would play resume in order to have at least half the field complete play on Sunday so that play may be extended to Monday. If a competition is scheduled to finish on Saturday, no completion of the final round should extend past Sunday (in accordance with the above guidelines). In no situation would play resume in order to have at least half the field complete play on Saturday so that play may extend to Sunday (in accordance with the above guidelines).

In the event of cancellation of any part of a tournament, prize money shall be distributed among the lowest scorers after the last completed round of play in the same number, amounts and order as for the originally scheduled number of holes. If a tournament is shortened to less than four (4) official rounds and there is a tie for first place, there will be a playoff at a convenient time as determined by the Chief Referee. The tournament will be considered "official" for purposes of determining official money if at least two (2) official rounds have been completed. The tournament will be considered "official" for purposes of determining official wins if at least three (3) rounds have been completed.

If less than one official round of the tournament is completed as the result of any cancellation, the host organization and PGA TOUR shall not be required to pay any prize money. In an open tournament, the host organization shall refund all tournament entry fees paid.

If, however, at least one official round is completed, the host organization and PGA TOUR shall pay 50 percent of

the purse, which shall be divided equally among all players in the starting field. In the case of only one official round being completed, there will be no playoff conducted. If at least two official rounds are completed, the host organization and PGA TOUR shall pay 100 percent of the purse, which shall be distributed among the lowest scorers after the last completed round of play in the same number, amounts and order as for the originally scheduled number of holes.

**B. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

The following general provisions relating to the conduct of tournaments apply to co-sponsored PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events.

**1. Entry Forms**

All entry forms for cosponsored tournaments shall be prepared by PGA TOUR and furnished to the host organization. All entries shall be subject to acceptance by the host organization and PGA TOUR, and may be rejected or revoked by either without liability at any time before or after commencement of tournament play if the entrant fails to meet the eligibility requirements set forth in the entry form and these Regulations, violates any of the regulations or otherwise conducts himself in a manner unbecoming a professional golfer. If a player's tournament entry is revoked, he shall not be entitled to share in the prize monies thereof.

All players in cosponsored PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournaments shall grant and assign to PGA TOUR through their entry forms, without limitation, their individual television, radio, motion picture, photographic and similar rights (including all forms of television and other electronic media) with respect to their participation in such tournaments, provided that PGA TOUR's use thereof shall be limited to advertising, promoting or publicizing PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR golf events or broadcasts related thereto, and provided further that in no case shall such rights be used in any broadcast, motion picture or other program on an electronic medium that is for instructional purposes without the express written consent of the player(s) involved.

Players also shall agree in such entry forms to: (1) refrain from any action that will interfere with PGA TOUR's ownership and exercise of the rights granted and assigned to it hereunder, including any use by other parties of such rights that is authorized by PGA TOUR; (2) abide by these Regulations, including any amendments thereto as may be adopted from time to time; and (3) abide by the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association and the R&A, subject to any modifications thereof approved by PGA TOUR.

A player who has incorporated may enter cosponsored events in the name of his corporation and any money winnings will be paid directly to such corporation, provided that the beneficial interest in such corporation is owned entirely by the player (and/or members of his immediate family). The player shall give a personal guarantee of all obligations of the corporation on a form prescribed by PGA TOUR, and the player shall remain personally subject to all requirements applicable to players who enter such events in their own names.

**2. Course Preparation**

Preparation of the course shall be subject to approval of the Chief Referee. Locations of teeing grounds and hole positions on putting greens shall be selected by the Chief Referee.

The Chief Referee may direct growing, cutting and watering of grass as he may deem advisable to provide appropriate playing conditions. Unnatural substances such as artificially colored sand-like material in bunkers are prohibited.

**3. Playoffs**

In the event of a tie for first place at the conclusion of the scheduled number of holes in a cosponsored tournament at stroke play, a playoff shall be conducted for the purpose of determining the tournament winner. Such playoff

shall be on a “hole-by-hole” basis immediately following the conclusion of the final round, or on the following day if the Chief Referee determines that darkness, weather or other conditions preclude conducting a playoff on the day of the final round.

Tournaments shall begin playoffs on the 18th hole unless the Chief Referee determines that another hole should be used because of mitigating circumstances.

The winner of any playoff shall be deemed to have placed first in the tournament and his prize money determined accordingly. The loser of any playoff involving two players shall be deemed to have placed second and shall be entitled to second-place prize money. If a playoff involves more than two (2) players, those other than the winner shall be deemed to have tied for second place regardless of their scores in the playoff, and their prize monies shall be apportioned accordingly. The determination of all prize monies shall be under the direction of the Chief Referee.

4. **Distribution of Purses**

The purses of all cosponsored tournaments shall be distributed to the low finishers therein as determined or approved from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

5. **Other Prizes**

Prizes of any nature for other than total score shall be subject to approval by the Commissioner.

6. **Official Money**

Official money shall be awarded to individual prize winners in cosponsored tournaments and such other events as the PGA TOUR Policy Board may designate, provided that at least two official rounds have been completed and provided that official money shall not be awarded in any team competition or pro-am tournament. The breakdown of official money will be determined from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

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## **V. CONFLICTING EVENTS; MEDIA AND MARKETING RIGHTS**

### **A. CONFLICTING EVENTS**

#### **1. Obligations of PGA TOUR**

On a date on which any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored event is being played, PGA TOUR will not cosponsor or approve any other similar golf event without the advance written consent of the host organization of the first scheduled PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. “Similar golf event” means a tournament of the same type (i.e., PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event). For example, PGA TOUR shall not be prohibited under this section from holding a PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR), PGA TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry Tour or PGA TOUR Canada event on the same dates as a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Tour event.

#### **2. Obligations of PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Members**

In any week when a PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR Canada or PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournament is scheduled, no PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member shall participate in any golf activity (including public exhibitions, clinics and pro-ams) in the same geographic area as such PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR Canada, or PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament without the prior approval of the Commissioner. Nothing in the foregoing shall preclude PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members from playing in “outings” during the week of a cosponsored tournament. As used herein, an “outing” refers to an event in which a player or players are invited by a company to entertain its customers, without any broadcast or electronic portrayal of play and without public gallery.

### **B. MEDIA AND MARKETING RIGHTS**

#### **1. Media Rights**

The television, radio, motion picture and all other media rights of all players participating in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournaments, pro-ams or any other golf event conducted in conjunction with cosponsored events (e.g., clinics, long-drive contests, etc.), or any portion thereof, shall be granted and assigned to PGA TOUR. Based upon this grant and assignment, all such rights shall be the property of and expressly reserved by and to PGA TOUR, and any use thereof without the express written consent of PGA TOUR shall be forbidden.

No PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member shall participate in any live or recorded golf program without the prior written approval of the Commissioner, except that this requirement shall not apply to PGA TOUR cosponsored, coordinated or approved tournaments, wholly instructional programs\* or personal appearances on interview or guest shows. “Golf program” for purposes of this section means any golf contest, exhibition or play that is shown anywhere in the world in any form of media now known or hereinafter developed. The Commissioner’s approval of any members(s) participating in any golf program covered by this rules may be subject, without limitation, to the sponsor, promoter, television producer and/or other parties involved in the golf program entering into a sanctioning or other agreement with the PGA TOUR, including an acknowledgement of PGA TOUR’s media rights and the payment of rights fees to PGA TOUR, therefore, and to such other conditions as are designated by the Commissioner.

\*While wholly instructional programs have been exempted from the scope of this rule by the PGA TOUR Policy Board, any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member participating in such a program is nonetheless required to obtain an agreement from the producer of the program or other appropriate party that the program will not be shown or distributed at the same time as any scheduled live coverage of a PGA TOUR cosponsored, approved or

coordinated tournament. The “on-demand” distribution of a wholly instructional program will not violate this rule as long as the program is not debuted during live coverage.

**2. Marketing Rights**

- (a) Aside from the assignment of individual television and similar rights provided for herein, nothing in these Regulations or in marketing programs adopted by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica shall be deemed to restrict any member’s individual marketing rights (e.g., promotions, endorsements, licensing, etc.).
- (b) In addition, no person shall make any commercial use of the name, likeness or identity of any member of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica without the advance written approval of such member.
- (c) Similarly, no individual PGA TOUR Latinoamérica member, tournament sponsor or other person or entity is authorized to make any commercial use of the PGA TOUR or PGA TOUR Latinoamérica name, marks or logo without the advance written approval of PGA TOUR.

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## **VI. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS**

Players participating in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored events and related activities shall observe these Regulations and the applicable rules of play while engaged in tournament play, and at all times shall conduct themselves in a manner becoming professional golfers that will not reflect unfavorably on PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, its members, officers or representatives, tournaments or sponsors.

To this end, players shall use their best efforts to play golf of the caliber and with the skill befitting professionals, and to show respect for the game of golf.

Any player who violates any of the foregoing or any of the provisions of this Article VI may be subject to a fine, suspension from play in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica and other PGA TOUR cosponsored and coordinated events, permanent disbarment from such play or any appropriate combination thereof.

**A. ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM**

All players shall comply with the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program, as amended from time to time.

**B. NO GUARANTEE FOR APPEARANCE**

Neither players nor other individuals acting on such players’ behalf shall solicit or accept any compensation, gratuity or other thing of value offered for the purpose of guaranteeing their appearance in any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored golf event, including any pro-am event played in connection therewith, except as may be specifically authorized by the Policy Board prior to the event.

Conversely, neither players nor other individuals acting on such players’ behalf shall offer anything of value to a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored event in return for an invitation to the tournament as described in Section A.1(j) of Article III (i.e., a sponsor exemption).

Neither a players nor other individuals acting on such players’ behalf shall promise or guarantee such player’s appearance in any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored event upon the grant of a sponsor’s exemption to a different player.



**C. INTEGRITY PROGRAM**

All players shall comply with the PGA TOUR Integrity Program, as amended from time to time, which prohibits betting on professional golf and other betting-related activities among other things.

**D. FINANCIAL INTEREST BY A PLAYER IN ANOTHER PLAYER: GAMBLING; DOPING**

A player shall not have any financial interest, either direct or indirect, in the performance or the tournament winnings of another player, whether through purse-splitting, prize money “insurance,” financial assistance, bets or otherwise. Any player who violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be subject to a suspension from tournament play for a minimum period of two (2) years.

A player shall not do any of the following:

1. Gamble or play cards on the premises where a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournament is being played.
2. Associate with or have dealings with persons whose activities have involved trafficking or administration of substances or methods prohibited by the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program, or other forms of doping.

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS, PUBLIC ATTACKS**

The favorable public reputation of PGA TOUR, its players and its tournaments are valuable assets and create tangible benefits for all PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members. Accordingly, it is an obligation of membership to refrain from making comments that unreasonably attack or disparage others, including, but not limited to tournaments, sponsors, fellow members, players and or PGA TOUR. Speech that could be reasonable viewed as hateful, abusive, obscene and/or divisive is expressly prohibited. Responsible expressions of legitimate disagreement with PGA TOUR policies are not prohibited. However, public comments that a member knows, or should reasonable know, will harm the reputation or financial best interest of PGA TOUR, a fellow member/player, a tournament sponsor or a charity are expressly covered by this section. Any violation of this section shall be considered conduct unbecoming a professional.

**F. WORTHLESS CHECKS**

If any player issues a worthless (dishonored) check in payment of entry fees or otherwise in connection with a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournament, he shall be penalized as follows:

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| First Offense:  | \$200 fine.   |
| Second Offense: | \$200 fine and loss of check-cashing privileges for six months. |
| Third Offense:  | \$500 fine and loss of check-cashing privileges for one year.   |

Repeated instances of the issuance of worthless checks by a player shall be grounds for suspension or permanent disbarment from tournament play, as may be determined by the Tournament Policy Board.

**G. USGA/R&A Rules of Golf**

Play in all PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournaments shall be conducted in accordance with the United States Golf Association Rules of Golf and the R&A, as modified by PGA TOUR. Players will be furnished a copy of such modifications, including local rules, prior to their starting times.

**H. PRACTICING**

Only contestants, their caddies, instructors, media, golf equipment manufacturers (when invited by contestants), tournament representatives and PGA TOUR staff are permitted onto any area designated for practice (e.g. range, practice putting greens, chipping or pitching greens, bunkers and the tournament golf course during practice rounds.)

**NOTE:** Family members and friends are not permitted inside the ropes on the golf course at any time. Family members are permitted on other designated practice areas when accompanied by the player. Players are expected to use good judgment and discretion when inviting family members onto designated practice areas. Only one tournament representative is allowed access to designated practice areas at any time.

Practicing shall be permitted only in areas specifically designated practice. On pro-am days, practice by professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am in designated practice areas is prohibited from 30 minutes prior to the first pro-am starting time through the final pro-am starting time, for each segment/wave of tee times. For shotgun starts, practice is prohibited for one hour prior to the shotgun start. On practice days, after 8:30 a.m., all play must start from the first tee, unless approved by a member of the Rules Committee.

During practice rounds, the following shall govern certain types of strokes:

1. Only one stroke, including a stroke from a bunker, may be aimed for the putting green, except as follows:
  - (a) If such stroke does not land or stop on the putting green, only one additional stroke may be played.
  - (b) More than one chip shot outside a bunker may be played, provided such practice does not damage the course unduly.
2. Not more than three bunker strokes may be played in directions other than toward the putting green, provided the bunker is not thereby damaged unduly.
3. More than one (1) stroke may be played on the putting green.

In any case, a player must not delay any following players. No practice strokes shall be permitted if a player of a group behind the player is waiting to play.

During tournament week, practice facilities and the tournament course are for qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list unless otherwise approved by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee. Qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica alternate list shall not practice with ineligible players.

#### **I. CADDIES AND GOLF CARTS**

Players in cosponsored PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events shall not use automotive transportation unless otherwise determined by the Chief Referee, and then in accordance with procedures established by the Chief Referee. Unless otherwise determined by the Chief Referee, caddies must be employed for all practice rounds, qualifying rounds, pro-am rounds and tournament rounds.

Caddies shall be paid promptly. PGA TOUR shall determine who is eligible to be employed as a caddie and shall further determine uniforms to be worn by a caddie including headwear, shirts and slacks. Caddies shall present a neat appearance in both clothing and personal grooming. When accompanied by his player, a caddie may enter the locker room at the end of the player's week (i.e. after a missed cut or completion of the event) to assist the player in loading the player's golf bag with contents from his locker. Caddies are not allowed in the locker room at any other time. Players who wish to bring their own caddies to a cosponsored event shall so indicate at the time they commit to participate in such event and shall be responsible for the conduct and behavior of such caddies at such events.

#### **J. LOCKER FEES**

If locker facilities are available, players in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament starting fields shall use such locker room facilities and should pay a minimum fee of \$10 to the locker attendant for such service.

**K. APPEARANCE OF PLAYERS**

Players shall present a neat appearance in both clothing and personal grooming. Clothing worn by players shall be consistent with currently accepted golf fashion. The Chief Referee shall interpret this regulation, subject to the approval of the Commissioner.

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## **VII. DISCIPLINE, PENALTIES AND APPEALS**

Each player, by participating in cosponsored PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events, acknowledges the right and authority of the PGA TOUR Policy Board, the Commissioner and the Appeals Committee (a) to fine and suspend the player from tournament play, and/or (b) to fine and permanently bar the player from tournament play in cosponsored, coordinated or approved golf events of PGA TOUR for violation of these Tournament Regulations.

Any such participating player, if involved or affected in any manner whatsoever by a decision of the PGA TOUR Policy Board, the Commissioner or the Appeals Committee with respect to any such violation, hereby releases the PGA TOUR Policy Board, the Commissioner or the Appeals Committee, PGA TOUR, Inc. the Professional Golfers' Association of America, and each director, officer, member, employee, agent or representative of any of the foregoing jointly and severally, individually and in their official capacity, of and from any and all claims, demands, damages and causes of action whatsoever, in law or equity, arising out of or in connection with any such decision or action by the PGA TOUR Policy Board, the Commissioner or the Appeals Committee.

Fines are due and payable within 30 days unless the member has made a written appeal. Should the appeal be denied, the fine will be due and payable within 30 days of such denial of appeal and, notwithstanding such 30-day period, until such fine is paid the player will be ineligible for competition.

**A. ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Except for penalties under the Rules of Golf (including pace of play) and for minor penalties, any players subject to disciplinary action or penalty defined as intermediate or major penalties shall first be notified of such proposed action in writing. Such notice may be presented to the player by a tournament official or the Chief Referee, except that any notice of a proposed major penalty shall be executed by the Commissioner.

Within 14 days of such notice of proposed disciplinary action or penalty, the player shall submit to the Commissioner such facts or evidence of mitigating circumstances as may apply.

Within 14 days of receipt of such information from the player, the Commissioner shall notify the player in writing of the imposition of the proposed disciplinary action or penalty, or that the proposed action has been dismissed. After imposition of any penalty hereunder, the player shall have the right of appeal as set forth in Section D of this Article VII.

**B. RULES OF GOLF**

Any player who, while participating in any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored tournament, breaches the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, R&A, or local rules in effect for the conduct of such tournament, shall be subject to the penalties provided in such Rules as well as any other penalties determined by the PGA TOUR Policy Board. The decision of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Rules Committee for the tournament with respect to such breach shall be final and conclusive.

**NOTE:** PGA TOUR pace of play rules constitutes supplemental local rules.

**C. CONDUCT UNBECOMING A PROFESSIONAL**

Any player who shall be deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming a professional golfer while participating in a tournament cosponsored, coordinated or approved by PGA TOUR Latinoamérica or activities related thereto (e.g., practice rounds, hospitality events, etc.), or who otherwise violates the provisions of Articles VI and VII of these Regulations, and/or the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program relating to Drugs of Abuse, shall be subject to fine, suspension and/or permanent disbarment from tournament play as provided in these Regulations.

In any instance where a member of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica has for any reason been placed on probation for an infraction of any rule of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, then and in that event, if at any time during the probation period that member shall violate any rule of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica, irrespective of whether that violation carries with it a penalty designated minor, intermediate or major as described under Sections D-1, 2 and 3 of this Article VII, the Commissioner may immediately suspend the member's playing privileges. The Commissioner shall inform the member of the decision to revoke the probation within 14 days.

Prior to imposition of any intermediate or major penalty (except under the Rules of Golf), the player shall be notified orally, if possible, and in writing signed by the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Chief Referee or by the Commissioner. In the case of minor penalties, notification may be by any - PGA TOUR Latinoamérica tournament official. Such written notifications shall specify the precise charges or violations. To the extent practicable, such written notifications shall be given before noon of the day following such violation.

Any written notification required by this section to be given to a player shall be hand-delivered or sent to him via registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the address of the player as shown in the records of PGA TOUR, provided that delivery to a player's locker at a tournament site shall constitute hand delivery under this section.

**D. CLASSES OF PENALTIES**

**1. Minor Penalties**

A minor penalty is a fine of not more than \$250. A minor penalty may be imposed by the President, or his designee.

**2. Intermediate Penalties**

An intermediate penalty is a fine of between \$251 and \$1,000 and/or suspension from play for not more than three (3) tournaments, including the tournament then in progress or scheduled for the calendar week in which the alleged violation occurred. For violations of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program related to Drugs of Abuse, an approved plan of treatment and rehabilitation to be conducted at the player's expense, in addition to or in lieu of other penalties may be imposed. An intermediate penalty may be imposed by the Commissioner or, if the Commissioner is not readily available, by the President.

**3. Major Penalties**

A major penalty is a fine in excess of \$1,000, suspension from tournament play for more than three (3) tournaments and/or permanent disbarment from tournament play in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events and other PGA TOUR cosponsored or coordinated events. For violations of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program related to Drugs of Abuse, an approved plan of treatment and rehabilitation to be conducted at the player's expense, in addition to or in lieu of other penalties may be imposed. A major penalty may be imposed only by the Commissioner except as otherwise specified in these Regulations.

**E. APPEALS**

**1. Minor Penalties**

Appeals from minor penalties shall be to the President or his designee. Such appeal may be in writing or oral and may include defenses or mitigating circumstances, including written statements or witnesses. Such appeal shall be received no later than 14 days after the date of the written notification of imposition of the penalty. The President or his designee shall render his decision on the appeal, in writing, within 14 days of his receipt of the appeal, and such decision shall be final.

**2. Intermediate and Major Penalties**

Within 14 days from the date of notification of an intermediate or a major penalty, the player may submit a written appeal to the Commissioner, provided, however, that if the initial penalty was imposed by the Commissioner and the Commissioner deems it in the best interest of PGA TOUR.

**F. ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM**

The provisions of this Article shall only be applicable to violations of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program relating to Drugs of Abuse, as determined in the sole discretion of the Program Administrator for the PGA TOUR anti-Doping Program.

**G. INTEGRITY PROGRAM**

The provisions of this Article shall not be applicable to violations of the PGA TOUR Integrity Program. Such violations shall be subject to the disciplinary and appeals terms and processes set forth in the PGA TOUR Integrity Program Manual.

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## VIII. RESPONSIBILITIES OF TOURNAMENTS

### A. FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Commissioner may, at his option, require the host organization of any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event to furnish evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of the host organization's financial responsibility, either:

1. By posting a bond in an amount equal to the sum of the prize monies to be provided by the sponsor for such event plus an additional sum to cover the entry fees or the service fee payable to PGA TOUR, guaranteeing such performance, or
2. By providing some other form of financial guarantee or arrangement assuring the host organization's performance of its financial obligations under the tournament agreement.

### B. NO GAMBLING

Neither the host organization of any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica event nor any of its employees, agents or representatives shall be associated with any form of organized or unorganized gambling at the time of the tournament or pro-am, if any, either at or removed from the site thereof. If such provision is violated, PGA TOUR shall have the right to terminate all or any portion of such events without liability to the host organization, and any PGA TOUR Latinoamérica player may withdraw from participation therein without liability to the host organization and without penalty under these Regulations or other PGA TOUR rules.

### C. SALE ON GROUNDS OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OTHER THAN WINE OR BEER

The host organization will insure that alcoholic beverages other than wine and beer will not be sold on the grounds (excluding the clubhouse and hospitality areas) without the prior written approval of PGA TOUR.

### D. SIGNS AND BANNERS

The host organization will ensure that signs and banners will not be allowed on the course except as specifically approved by the Chief Referee.

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## **IX. MEMBERSHIP MATTERS**

### **A. DUES AND FEES**

Members shall pay such dues and fees as may from time to time be prescribed by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

### **B. TERMINATION AND REINSTATEMENT OF MEMBERSHIP**

#### **1. Termination**

A player shall cease to be a member of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica:

- (a) If he resigns;
- (b) If he fails to pay required dues or fees within the time specified by PGA TOUR;
- (c) If he loses his eligibility to compete in PGA TOUR Latinoamérica events as provided in Sections A.1(a) through (m) of Article III, as applicable; or
- (d) If in the judgment of the PGA TOUR Policy Board he commits a serious breach of these Tournament Regulations, the Rules of Golf, the PGA Code of Ethics, or conducts himself in a manner unbecoming a professional golfer.

#### **2. Reinstatement**

A player whose PGA TOUR Latinoamérica membership is terminated for playing performance reasons (i.e., for failing to retain his exempt status) shall be eligible for reinstatement to such membership if he subsequently becomes eligible under Section A of this Article IX.

If a player's membership in the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica shall be terminated for any reason other than the foregoing, he shall not be eligible for reinstatement to membership for at least six (6) months from such termination, except on the affirmative vote of two-thirds of the members of the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

### **C. MEETINGS OF PLAYER MEMBERS**

#### **1. Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica shall be held annually, on a date and at a place to be determined by the Commissioner at least 60 days prior to the holding thereof. Players invited to attend shall include all regular members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. All PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members in the field shall be required to attend. Failure to do so will result in a fine.

#### **2. Special Meetings**

Special meetings of members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica shall be held whenever called by the Commissioner upon the written request of two (2) or more of the Player Directors of the PGA TOUR Policy Board or upon the filing with the Commissioner of a petition signed by not less than 25 percent of the regular members of the PGA TOUR Latinoamérica. Within 30 days of the receipt of such request or petition, the Commissioner shall schedule and give notice of such meeting.

**3. General Provisions**

- (a) So far as practicable, meetings shall be scheduled at a place and time convenient to the members, preferably at the site of and within two (2) days of the commencement of a PGA TOUR Latinoamérica cosponsored event.
- (b) Notice of each meeting of the members shall be mailed to each member, addressed to such member at his address as it appears on the records of PGA TOUR, not less than 10 nor more than 30 days before the scheduled date of such meeting. Each such notice shall state the place, date and hour of the meeting and the purpose called. No notice of any meeting need be given, however, to any member who personally appears thereat or signs a written waiver thereof, whether before or after such meeting, and no notice need be given of any adjourned meeting of the members if the time and place of such adjourned meeting are announced at the meeting at which the adjournment is taken, provided the adjournment is not for more than 21 days. Any business may be transacted at any adjourned meeting which might have been transacted at the meeting as originally scheduled.
- (c) The presence, in person, at any meeting of a majority of all the regular members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. In the absence of a quorum, a majority of the members present or, if no member is present, any officer of PGA TOUR present, may adjourn the meeting for a period not exceeding 21 days in any one case.
- (d) Each member present at meetings of members shall be entitled to one (1) vote in person on all matters with respect to which members may vote. All matters voted upon by the members at any meeting of the members shall be decided by the vote of a majority of the members present.
- (e) Nothing herein shall preclude the scheduling by PGA TOUR of additional informal player meetings.

**D. AMENDMENTS**

These Tournament Regulations may be amended or repealed at any meeting of the PGA TOUR Policy Board as provided in Article IX, Section H of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations.



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## **X. COSTS AND EXPENSES OF LITIGATION**

If any member of PGA TOUR shall institute any legal action or other proceeding against PGA TOUR and such member does not obtain the relief requested in such action, such member shall reimburse PGA TOUR for all costs and expenses incurred by PGA TOUR in connection with such action, including without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, whether incurred in preparation of trial, at trial, on appeal or in bankruptcy proceedings.

If such member does obtain the relief requested in such action, PGA TOUR shall reimburse such member for all costs and expenses incurred by such member in connection with such action, including without limitation, reasonable attorneys' fees, whether incurred in preparation of trial, at trial, on appeal or in bankruptcy proceedings.

In the event any such action or proceeding is settled or resolved other than by a final determination of a court or other tribunal, such member shall not be entitled to recover costs, expenses or attorneys' fees against PGA TOUR unless PGA TOUR expressly agrees otherwise as part of such settlement or resolution.

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