



PLAYER HANDBOOK



KORN FERRY  
TOUR



2025

& TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS



**KORN FERRY  
TOUR**



**2025 TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS  
AND PLAYER HANDBOOK**

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Dear Korn Ferry Tour Members:

Welcome to the Korn Ferry Tour. This directory was compiled to assist you in your preparation for a season on the Korn Ferry Tour.

The Player Handbook includes the 2025 schedule and covers topics such as special eligibility, performance benefits and special awards.

The Tournament Regulations are the guide to the specific rules pertaining to Korn Ferry Tour play. We have incorporated changes made to the Tournament Regulations for last season into this season's book.

I encourage every member to become familiar with these rules, as they are the final authority on the operations and policies of the Korn Ferry Tour.

I wish you the best on a successful 2025 season!

Jay Monahan  
Commissioner  
PGA TOUR

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# SIGNIFICANT CHANGES TO THE 2025 KORN FERRY TOUR

- Commitment deadlines for the first six events of the 2025 Korn Ferry Tour season have been adjusted and combined as follows:
  - **Commitment Deadline for the following two events: Friday January 3rd**  
Bahamas Golf Classic at Atlantis Paradise Island (Sun 1/12 – Wed 1/15)  
Bahamas Great Abaco Classic at The Abaco Club (Sun 1/19 – Wed 1/22)
  - **Commitment Deadline for the following two events: Friday January 24th**  
The Panama Championship (Thurs 1/30 – Sun 2/2)  
Astara Golf Championship (Thurs 2/6 – Sun 2/9)
  - **Commitment Deadline for the following two events: Friday February 21st**  
Visa Argentina Open (Thurs 2/27 – Sun 3/2)  
Astara Chile Classic (Thurs 3/6 – Sun 3/9)
- LECOM Suncoast Classic will be contested from Wednesday through Saturday, April 16 – 19, 2025, rather than the typical Thursday through Sunday competition days.
- Amateurs will be included in the cut beginning in 2025, aligning with the PGA TOUR Policy.
- The Top 10 Finishers from the Final PGA TOUR University Ranking will be awarded Korn Ferry Tour Membership exempt from reshuffle beginning with the 2025 season, an increase from the Top 5 available finishers to a floor of 10th position in previous years.
- The Top Finishers from the Prior Season's PGA TOUR University Ranking List based on their combined points total from events played on the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour will be expanded from the top 3 to the top 5 players, beginning in the 2026 season.
- The Pace of Play Policy now includes the addition of an Excessive Average Stroke Time (EAST). If at the conclusion of a tournament a player has an average stroke time of 12 seconds or more above the field average, an EAST will be received. The 3rd EAST results in a fine of \$500, and 4th and subsequent offenses result in a \$1,000 fine per infraction.
- The composition and election guidelines of the Korn Ferry Tour Player Advisory Council (PAC) have been updated for the 2025 season and are explained in detail in Section IX. E.
- The Club Repair Truck Fee paid weekly at tournament registration will increase from \$15 per event to \$25 per event.
- To align with the PGA TOUR policy regarding practice rounds, when the 9&9 format is being utilized for Pro-Am events, practice rounds may begin off #1 and #10 tees with not time restrictions off the 10th tee. Practice rounds beginning on #10 must yield in all instances to players making the turn and must not delay practice rounds at any time.

- With the absence of a Korn Ferry Tour event opposite the U.S. Open in the 2025 season, cross-over points will not be awarded for Korn Ferry Tour Members playing in the U.S. Open.
- Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron has moved to the last regular-season event immediately preceding Korn Ferry Tour Finals and will have revised eligibility, with the field made up of the top 156 available players from the Korn Ferry Tour Points List through the event immediately prior (Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse). The event will fill in with an alternate should a player choose not to compete or is eligible for a PGA TOUR event in the corresponding week.
- Compliance Solutions Championship has moved from a regular-season event to the third Korn Ferry Tour Finals event and will have revised eligibility, with the field made up of the top 120 players and ties from the Korn Ferry Tour Points List through the event immediately prior (Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship). Similar to the other three Korn Ferry Tour Finals events, the event will not fill in with an alternate should a player choose not to compete or is eligible for a PGA TOUR event in the corresponding week.
- Due to the movement of Albertson Boise Open presented by Chevron to a regular-season event and Compliance Solutions Championship to a Finals event, the four Korn Ferry Tour Finals events will be played in the following order:
  - Sept 12-15, 2025 - Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation (Top 156 + ties)
  - Sept 19-22, 2025 - Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship (Top 144 + ties)
  - Oct 3-6, 2025 - Compliance Solutions Championship (Top 120 + ties)
  - Oct 10-13, 2025 - Korn Ferry Tour Championship presented by United Leasing & Finance (Top 75 + ties)
- 2025 Korn Ferry Tour access for 2024 PGA TOUR Americas members is as follows:
  1. Leading Finisher from 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season-long points list receives a fully exempt Korn Ferry Tour card (no reshuffle)
  2. 3-Time Winners from the 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season receive a fully exempt Korn Ferry Tour card (no reshuffle)
  3. Finishers 2-10 from 2024 PGA TOUR Americas season-long points list receive an exempt Korn Ferry Tour card (subject to 3rd reshuffle)
  4. Leading 2 finishers from Segment I of PGA TOUR Americas points list receive a conditional Korn Ferry Tour card (subject to the first reshuffle)
  5. Leading 3 finishers from Segment II of PGA TOUR Americas points list receive a conditional Korn Ferry Tour card (subject to the first reshuffle)
  6. Finishers #1 through #5 from the previous season's PGA TOUR Americas Segment I Points List are exempt into The Panama Championship, the Astara Golf Championship presented by Mastercard, the 118 Visa Argentina Open presented by Mastercard, and the Astara Chile Classic presented by Macro
- The Mobile and Electronic Device Policy has been updated. These revisions will more accurately reflect how these devices may be used prior to, and during a competition. The revised policy has been amended in the regs book and players are encouraged to become familiar with the policy.

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# **2025 KORN FERRY TOUR TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

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## **JAN 9–15 THE BAHAMAS GOLF CLASSIC AT ATLANTIS PARADISE ISLAND (144 PLAYERS)**

The Ocean Club Golf Course at Atlantis  
1 Ocean Club Drive  
Paradise Island, Nassau, Bahamas  
Club: (242) 363-6682  
Commit Deadline: 01/03/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Josh Franklin – Tournament Director  
Email: jf@bdglobalsports.com / Phone: (859) 494-3932  
**NOTE:** Competition days are Sunday - Wednesday.

## **JAN 16–22 THE BAHAMAS GREAT ABACO CLASSIC AT THE ABACO CLUB (144 PLAYERS)**

The Abaco Club on Winding Bay  
Marsh Harbor  
Great Abaco, Bahamas  
Club: (242) 336-3862  
Commitment Deadline: 01/03/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Josh Franklin – Tournament Director  
Email: jf@bdglobalsports.com / Phone: (859) 494-3932  
**NOTE:** Competition days are Sunday - Wednesday.

## **JAN 27–FEB 2 THE PANAMA CHAMPIONSHIP (144 PLAYERS)**

Club de Golf de Panamá  
Corredor Norte – Fase II Ave. Manuel F. Zárata Panamá  
San Miguelito, República de Panamá  
Club: +507-266-7777 ext. 202  
Commitment Deadline: 01/24/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Roberto "Chico" Duran – Tournament Director  
Email: rduran@consultenos.net / Phone: +507-300-4111

## **FEB 3–9 ASTARA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY MASTERCARD (156 PLAYERS)**

Country Club de Bogotá – Lagos & Pacos y Fundadores  
Calle 127c #15-02  
Bogotá, Colombia 110121  
Club: +57 1658 2700  
Commitment Deadline: 01/24/25, 5:00 pm Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Eileen Vargas – Tournament Director  
Email: eileen.vargas@countryclubdebogota.com/Phone: +57 3103099413

**FEB 24–MAR 2 118 VISA ARGENTINA OPEN PRESENTED BY MACRO  
(156 PLAYERS)**

Jockey Club - Cancha Colorada  
Avenida Alvear 1345  
C1014, Ciudad Autonoma de Buenos Aires, Argentina  
Club: +54 11 4815 0022  
Commit Deadline: 02/21/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Mike Leeson - CEO & Executive Director  
Email: leesonm@aag.org.ar / Phone: +54 9 11 5327 9720

**MAR 3–9 ASTARA CHILE CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SCOTIABANK  
(156 PLAYERS)**

Prince of Wales Country Club  
Las Arañas 1901  
Santiago, La Reina, Chile  
Club: +56 2 275 75 700  
Commit Deadline: 02/21/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Alejandro Peric – Tournament Director  
Email: aperic@chileclassic.cl / Phone: +56 9 9225 6068

**MAR 31–APR 6 CLUB CAR CHAMPIONSHIP AT THE LANDINGS GOLF & ATHLETIC  
CLUB  
(156 PLAYERS)**

The Landings Golf & Athletic Club – Deer Creek Course  
25 Deer Creek Drive  
Savannah, GA 31411  
Club: (912) 598-8050  
Commit Deadline: 03/28/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Cheyenne Overby – Tournament Director  
Email: coverby@hnssports.com / (813) 230-1433

**APR 14–19 LECOM SUNCOAST CLASSIC  
(156 PLAYERS)**

Lakewood National Golf Club – Commander Course  
17605 Lakewood National Parkway  
Lakewood Ranch, FL 34211  
Club: (941) 900-2424  
Commit Deadline: 04/11/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Justin Kristich – Tournament Director  
Email: jkristich@globalgolfmanagement.com / Phone: (941) 456-0734  
**NOTE:** Competition days are Wednesday - Saturday

**APR 21–27**

**VERITEX BANK CHAMPIONSHIP**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

Texas Rangers Golf Club

701 Brown Boulevard

Arlington, TX 76011

Club: (817) 275-5941

Commit Deadline: 04/18/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time

Key Contact: Richie Sapp – Tournament Director

Email: richie.sapp@sportfive.com / Phone: (972) 841-8394

**APR 28–MAY 4**

**PGA RIVIERA MAYA CHAMPIONSHIP**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

PGA Riviera Maya

Carretera Chetumal Benito Juarez, Km 250

77760 Akumal, Quintana Roo, Mexico

Club: +52 984 378 0979

Commit Deadline: 04/25/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time

Key Contact: Sergio Gonzalez – Tournament Director

Email: operaciones@pgarivieramaya.com / Phone: +52 984 249 8117

**MAY 12–18**

**ADVENTHEALTH CHAMPIONSHIP**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

Blue Hills Country Club

777 West Burning Tree Drive

Kansas City, MO 64145

Club: (816) 942-3292

Commit Deadline: 05/09/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time

Key Contact: Rick Amos – Tournament Director

Email: Rick.Amos@adventhealth.com / Phone: (913) 579-2826

**MAY 19–25**

**VISIT KNOXVILLE OPEN**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

Holston Hills Country Club

5200 Holston Hills Road

Knoxville, TN 37914

Club: (865) 523-4119

Commit Deadline: 05/16/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time

Key Contact: Patrick Nichol – Executive Director

Email: pnichol@tourvisionpromotions.com / Phone: (904) 910-2690

**MAY 26–JUN 1 UNC HEALTH CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY STITCH  
(156 PLAYERS)**  
Raleigh Country Club  
400 Donald Ross Drive  
Raleigh, NC 27610  
Club: (919) 231-5501 Office : (919) 784-4718  
Commit Deadline: 05/23/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Brian Krusoe – Tournament Director  
Email: brian.krusoe@unchealth.unc.edu / Phone: (919) 771-9705

**JUNE 2–8 BMW CHARITY PRO-AM PRESENTED BY TD SYNTEX  
(160 PLAYERS)**  
Thornblade Club (Host Course) & Carolina Country Club  
1275 Thornblade Blvd  
Greer, SC 29650  
Club: (864) 234-5100 Office: (614) 206-2479  
Commit Deadline: 05/30/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Michael McGovern – Tournament Director  
Email: mmmcgovern@sccharities.org / Phone: (864) 297-1660

**JUNE 9–15 BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF KANSAS WICHITA OPEN  
BENEFITTING KU WICHITA PEDIATRICS  
(156 PLAYERS)**  
Crestview Country Club - North Course  
1000 North 127th Street, East  
Wichita, KS 67206  
Club: (316) 733-1344 Office: (316) 219-9046  
Commit Deadline: 06/06/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Dusty Buell – Tournament Director  
Email: dusty@wichitaopen.com / Phone: (316) 209-0907

**JUNE 23–29 MEMORIAL HEALTH CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY LRS  
(156 PLAYERS)**  
Panther Creek Country Club  
3001 Panther Creek Drive  
Springfield, IL 62711  
Club: (217) 546-4431  
Commit Deadline: 06/20/25, 5 p.m. Eastern time  
Key Contact: Kate Peters – Tournament Director  
Email: kate@memorialhealthchampionship.com / Phone: (217) 416-1535

**JULY 7-13**

**THE ASCENDANT PRESENTED BY BLUE**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

TPC Colorado  
2375 TPC Parkway  
Berthoud, CO 80513  
Club: (833)446-7600 Office: (910) 690-6537  
Commit Deadline: 07/04/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Cory Brougham – Tournament Director  
Email: cbrougham@outlyr.com / Phone: (614) 329-5652

**JULY 14-20**

**PRICE CUTTER CHARITY CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY HILAND**

**DAIRY FOODS**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

Highland Springs Country Club  
5400 Highland Springs Boulevard  
Springfield, MO 65809  
Club (417) 886-0408  
Commit Deadline: 07/11/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Byron Shive – Tournament Director  
Email: byron@mosportshalloffame.com / Phone: (417) 887-3400

**JULY 21-27**

**NV5 INVITATIONAL**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

The Glen Club  
2901 West Lake Avenue  
Glenview, IL 60026  
Club: (847) 724-7272  
Commit Deadline: 07/18/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Chris Montagano – Tournament Director  
Email: montagano@wgaesf.org / Phone: (219) 921-3367

**JULY 28-AUG 3 UTAH CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY ZIONS BANK AND**

**INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH**

**(156 PLAYERS)**

Ogden Golf & Country Club  
4197 South Washington Boulevard  
Ogden, UT 84403  
Club: (801) 621-2060  
Commitment Deadline 07/25/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Jeff Robbins – Executive Director  
Email: jrobbins@utahsportscommission.com / Phone: (801) 328-2372

**AUG 4-10**

**PINNACLE BANK CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY WOODHOUSE  
(156 PLAYERS)**

The Club at Indian Creek - Black Bird & Gray Hawk Courses  
3825 North 202nd Street  
Elkhorn, NE 68022  
Club: (402) 289-0900 Office: (515) 418-0175  
Commit Deadline: 08/01/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Jessica Brabec – Tournament Director  
Email: jessicabrabec@thepinnaclebankchampionship.com  
Phone: (402) 991-2525

**AUG 11-17**

**ALBERTSONS BOISE OPEN PRESENTED BY CHEVRON  
(156 PLAYERS)**

Hillcrest Country Club  
4610 Hillcrest Drive  
Boise, ID 83705  
Club: (208) 343-5425 Office: (317) 667-8673  
Commit Deadline: 08/08/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: David Babcock – Tournament Director  
Email: dbabcock@jeffsandersentertainment.com / Phone: (503) 866-2974

**SEPT 8-14**

**SIMMONS BANK OPEN FOR THE SNEDEKER FOUNDATION  
(156 PLAYERS)**

Vanderbilt Legends Club - North Course  
1500 Legends Club Lane  
Franklin, TN 37069  
Club: (615) 791-8100  
Commit Deadline: 09/05/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Mike Hammontree – Tournament Director  
Email: mhammontree@tngolf.org / Phone: (352) 422-7722

**SEPT 15-21**

**NATIONWIDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CHAMPIONSHIP  
(144 PLAYERS)**

The Ohio State University Golf Club - Scarlet Course  
3605 Tremont Road  
Columbus, OH 43221  
Club: (614) 459-4653  
Commit Deadline: 09/12/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Kip McBride – Tournament Director  
Email: kipm@hnssports.com / Phone (614) 778-5004



**SEPT 29–OCT 5 COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS CHAMPIONSHIP  
(120 PLAYERS)**

The Patriot Golf Club  
5790 North Patriot Drive  
Owasso, OK 74055  
Club: (918) 272-1260  
Commit Deadline: 09/26/25, 5 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Lucas Fox – Tournament Director  
Email: lfox@hnssports.com / Phone: (317) 667-8673

**OCT 6–12 KORN FERRY TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY UNITED LEASING  
& FINANCE  
(75 PLAYERS)**

French Lick Golf Resort - Pete Dye Course  
8670 West, State Road 56  
French Lick, IN 47432  
Club: (812) 936-5558 Office: (812) 430-6737  
Commit Deadline: 10/03/25, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time  
Key Contact: Patrick Nichol – Executive Director  
Email: pnichol@tourvisionpromotions.com / Phone: (904) 910-2690

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# ELIGIBILITY AND COMMITMENTS

For eligibility information and commitments to PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved events, you may call the following staff members on the commitment line 800/742-2244 or 904/285-3700 and telephone extensions.

1. <b>PGA TOUR</b> .....	<b>Extension</b>
Kirsten Burgess.....	3306
Katelyn DiCristofano .....	5715
Jessica Zinz .....	5294
2. <b>KORN FERRY TOUR</b> .....	<b>Extension</b>
Lisa Ferraro .....	5117
Rachael Nowak .....	3613
3. <b>PGA TOUR AMERICAS</b> .....	<b>Extension</b>
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4. <b>QUALIFYING TOURNAMENT</b> .....	<b>Extension</b>
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# KORN FERRY TOUR RULES COMMITTEE

Hal Geyer .....	Vice President, Rules & Competitions
Jordan Harris.....	Tournament Director / Chief Referee
Cam Crawford .....	Tournament Director / Chief Referee
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Jose Garrido .....	Tournament Referee
Tom Hearn.....	Senior Tournament Referee
Rob Keller .....	Tournament Referee
Daniela Lendl.....	Tournament Referee
Colin Murray .....	Tournament Referee
Claudio Rivas.....	Tournament Referee
Darron Stiles.....	Tournament Referee
Tyler Sumner .....	Tournament Referee
Tyler Wolford .....	Tournament Referee

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# **2025 KORN FERRY TOUR PLAYER HANDBOOK**

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# KORN FERRY TOUR DUES AND FEES

Annual Dues*	\$100
Entry Fees (non-members)	\$100 per event
Entry Fees (members)	\$ 0
Open Qualifying Entry Fees (non-members)**	\$500 per event
Open Qualifying Entry Fees (members)***	\$100 per event
Insurance Fee****	\$ 20 per event
Locker Room Fee	\$ 20 per event
Club Repair Truck Fee	\$ 25 per event

\* Combined PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) and Korn Ferry Tour annual dues are \$150.

\*\* For successful qualifiers, the \$500 qualifying entry fee is applied toward the non-member tournament entry fee of \$100.

\*\*\*The open qualifying fee for PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions (Regular Members), DP World Tour Members and Korn Ferry Tour members is \$100. Such players must commit to the Host PGA Section no later than 5 p.m. local time the Friday preceding open qualifying.

\*\*\*\*Members or apprentices of the PGA of America need not pay the insurance fee. All other players, including amateurs, must either pay this fee or provide written evidence of the necessary levels of liability insurance coverage.

**NOTE:** For Korn Ferry Tour members, the open qualifying entry fee for PGA TOUR events is \$100. Such players must enter with the Host PGA Section no later than 5 p.m. local time the Friday preceding open qualifying.

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# PLAYER ELIGIBILITY FOR SPECIAL EVENTS

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## THE BAHAMAS GOLF CLASSIC AT ATLANTIS PARADISE ISLAND

January 12–15, 2025

The Ocean Club Golf Course at Atlantis  
Paradise Island, Nassau, Bahamas

Eligible players for this 144-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations; except that Open Qualifying will not be held for this event.

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## **THE BAHAMAS GREAT ABACO CLASSIC AT THE ABACO CLUB**

January 19–22, 2025

The Abaco Club on Winding Bay

Great Abaco, Bahamas

Eligible players for this 144-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations; except that Open Qualifying will not be held for this event.

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## **THE PANAMA CHAMPIONSHIP**

January 30–February 2, 2025

Club de Golf de Panama

Panama City, Panama

Eligible players for this 144-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations, except that prior to such players, the following shall first be eligible:

- Finishers 1 through 5 from the final 2024 PGA TOUR Americas Segment I Points List.
- Four (4) unrestricted sponsor exemptions.

**NOTE:** Open qualifying, conducted by the South Florida PGA section in south Florida, shall be held for this event. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4).

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## **ASTARA GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY MASTERCARD**

February 6-9, 2025

Country Club de Bogota - Lagos & Pacos y Fundadores

Bogota, Colombia

Eligible players for this 156-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations, except that prior to such players the following shall first be eligible:

- Finishers 1 through 5 from the final 2024 PGA TOUR Americas Segment I Points List.
- Four (4) unrestricted sponsor exemptions.

**NOTE:** Open qualifying, conducted by the South Florida PGA section in south Florida, shall be held for this event. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4).

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## **118 VISA ARGENTINA OPEN PRESENTED BY MACRO**

February 27-March 2, 2025

Jockey Club - Cancha Colorada

Buenos Aires, Argentina

Eligible players for this 156-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations, except that prior to such players the following shall first be eligible:

- Finishers 1 through 5 from the final 2024 PGA TOUR Americas Segment I Points List.
- Four (4) unrestricted sponsor exemptions.

**NOTE:** Open qualifying, conducted by the South Florida PGA section in south Florida, shall be held for this event. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4). Open Qualifying will also be conducted by the Asociación Argentina de Golf. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4). In total, there will be eight (8) Open Qualifying spots. Open Qualifying for this event will be held on separate dates and players may compete in both events.

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**ASTARA CHILE CLASSIC PRESENTED BY SCOTIABANK**

March 6-9, 2025

Prince of Wales Country Club

Santiago, La Reina, Chile

Eligible players for this 156-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations, except that prior to such players the following shall first be eligible:

- Finishers 1 through 5 from the final 2024 PGA TOUR Americas Segment I Points List.
- Four (4) unrestricted sponsor exemptions.

**NOTE:** Open qualifying, conducted by the South Florida PGA section in south Florida, shall be held for this event. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4).

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**PGA RIVIERA MAYA CHAMPIONSHIP**

May 1-4, 2025

PGA Riviera Maya

Akumal, Quintana Roo, Mexico

Eligible players for this 156-player field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations.

**NOTE:** Open qualifying, conducted by the Georgia PGA section, shall be held for this event. The number of open qualifying spots will be four (4).

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**BMW CHARITY PRO-AM PRESENTED BY TD SYNEX**

June 5-8, 2025

Thornblade Club (host course)

Carolina Country Club

Eligible players for this 160-professional field are those listed in order of priority under Article III, Section A of the Tournament Regulations, modified as follows:

- On invitation of the tournament sponsor, a maximum of eight (8) professionals, provided that not less than two such sponsor exemptions shall be PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour members not otherwise exempt for the event.
- Open Qualifying will not be held for the tournament.
- If needed to fill the field, on invitation of the tournament sponsor additional professionals will be added to reach 160.

**NOTE:** The sponsor will team each professional with an amateur player. The Korn Ferry Tour shall group the professional players and assign starting times. After two rounds, the field will be cut to the low 65 professionals and ties and exactly the low 16 pro-am teams for third round play.

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### **ALBERTSONS BOISE OPEN PRESENTED BY CHEVRON**

August 14-17, 2025  
Hillcrest Country Club  
Boise, ID

Eligible players in the 156-player field are:

- The top 156 available players from the current season's Korn Ferry Tour Points List, in order of ranking, as of the conclusion of the tournament immediately preceding (Pinnacle Bank Championship presented by Woodhouse).

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## **KORN FERRY TOUR FINALS EVENTS**

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### **SIMMONS BANK OPEN FOR THE SNEDEKER FOUNDATION**

September 11-14, 2025  
Vanderbilt Legends Club  
Franklin, TN

Eligible players are:

The top 156 players plus ties from the current Korn Ferry Tour Points List, in order of ranking, as of the conclusion of tournament immediately preceding (Albertsons Boise Open presented by Chevron).

After two rounds, the field will be cut to 65 and ties.

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### **NATIONWIDE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL CHAMPIONSHIP**

September 18-21, 2025  
The Ohio State University Golf Club - Scarlet Course  
Columbus, OH

Eligible players are:

The top 144 players plus ties from the current Korn Ferry Tour Points List, in order of ranking, as of the conclusion of tournament immediately preceding (Simmons Bank Open for the Snedeker Foundation).

After two rounds, the field will be cut to 65 and ties.

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## **COMPLIANCE SOLUTIONS CHAMPIONSHIP**

October 2-5, 2025

The Patriot Golf Club

Owasso, OK

Eligible players are:

The top 120 players plus ties from the current Korn Ferry Tour Points List, in order of ranking, as of the conclusion of tournament immediately preceding (Nationwide Children's Hospital Championship).

After two rounds, the field will be cut to 65 and ties

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## **KORN FERRY TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP PRESENTED BY UNITED LEASING & FINANCE**

October 9-12, 2025

French Lick Golf Resort - Pete Dye Course

French Lick, IN

Eligible players are:

Top 75 players plus ties from the current Korn Ferry Tour Points List through the tournament immediately preceding (Compliance Solutions Championship).

This is a no-cut event.

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# **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**

Espirito Santo Trophy  
Solheim Cup  
International Crown  
Olympic Games  
Youth Olympic Games

### **Sanctioning Organization**

International Golf Federation  
LPGA  
LPGA  
International Golf Federation  
International Golf Federation

### **Men's Competitions**

Eisenhower Trophy  
Ryder Cup  
Presidents Cup  
Olympic Games  
Youth Olympic Games  
World Cup

### **Sanctioning Organization**

International Golf Federation  
European Tour & PGA of America  
PGA TOUR  
International Golf Federation  
International Golf Federation  
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	Cyprus	Ireland	Monaco	Republic
Andorra	Czech Republic	Israel	Montenegro	Slovenia
Armenia	Denmark	Italy	Norway	Spain
Austria	Estonia	Kazakhstan	Poland	Sweden
Azerbaijan	Finland	Latvia	Portugal	Switzerland
Belarus	France	Liechtenstein	Romania	The Netherlands
Belgium	Georgia	Lithuania	Russian	Turkey
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Germany	Luxembourg	Federation	Ukraine
Bulgaria	Greece	Macedonia	San Marino	United Kingdom
Croatia	Hungary	Malta	Serbia	
	Iceland	Moldova	Slovak	

#### **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.

# PURSE DISTRIBUTION CHARTS

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

The standard formula for Korn Ferry Tour 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 \$1,000,000.

Place	Percent	Prize
1	18.000%	\$180,000
2	9.000%	\$90,000
3	6.000%	\$60,000
4	4.500%	\$45,000
5	3.800%	\$38,000
6	3.450%	\$34,500
7	3.200%	\$32,000
8	2.950%	\$29,500
9	2.750%	\$27,500
10	2.550%	\$25,500
11	2.365%	\$23,650
12	2.200%	\$22,000
13	2.050%	\$20,500
14	1.900%	\$19,000
15	1.800%	\$18,000
16	1.700%	\$17,000
17	1.600%	\$16,000
18	1.500%	\$15,000
19	1.400%	\$14,000
20	1.300%	\$13,000
21	1.215%	\$12,150
22	1.135%	\$11,350
23	1.055%	\$10,550
24	0.975%	\$9,750
25	0.900%	\$9,000
26	0.853%	\$8,530
27	0.810%	\$8,100
28	0.770%	\$7,700
29	0.740%	\$7,400
30	0.710%	\$7,100
31	0.685%	\$6,850
32	0.665%	\$6,650
33	0.645%	\$6,450
34	0.625%	\$6,250
35	0.605%	\$6,050
36	0.585%	\$5,850

Place	Percent	Prize
37	0.565%	\$5,650
38	0.545%	\$5,450
39	0.525%	\$5,250
40	0.515%	\$5,150
41	0.505%	\$5,050
42	0.495%	\$4,950
43	0.485%	\$4,850
44	0.475%	\$4,750
45	0.465%	\$4,650
46	0.455%	\$4,550
47	0.450%	\$4,500
48	0.445%	\$4,450
49	0.440%	\$4,400
50	0.435%	\$4,350
51	0.430%	\$4,300
52	0.426%	\$4,260
53	0.424%	\$4,240
54	0.422%	\$4,220
55	0.420%	\$4,200
56	0.418%	\$4,180
57	0.416%	\$4,160
58	0.414%	\$4,140
59	0.412%	\$4,120
60	0.410%	\$4,100
61	0.408%	\$4,080
62	0.406%	\$4,060
63	0.404%	\$4,040
64	0.402%	\$4,020
65	0.400%	\$4,000

Following is the distribution formula for the Korn Ferry Tour Finals events with a purse of \$1,500,000 each.

Place	Percent	Prize
1	18.000%	\$270,000
2	9.000%	\$135,000
3	6.000%	\$90,000
4	4.500%	\$67,500
5	3.800%	\$57,000
6	3.450%	\$51,750
7	3.200%	\$48,000
8	2.950%	\$44,250
9	2.750%	\$41,250
10	2.550%	\$38,250
11	2.365%	\$35,475
12	2.200%	\$33,000
13	2.050%	\$30,750
14	1.900%	\$28,500
15	1.800%	\$27,000
16	1.700%	\$25,500
17	1.600%	\$24,000
18	1.500%	\$22,500
19	1.400%	\$21,000
20	1.300%	\$19,500
21	1.215%	\$18,225
22	1.135%	\$17,025
23	1.055%	\$15,825
24	0.975%	\$14,625
25	0.900%	\$13,500
26	0.853%	\$12,795
27	0.810%	\$12,150
28	0.770%	\$11,550
29	0.740%	\$11,100
30	0.710%	\$10,650
31	0.685%	\$10,275
32	0.665%	\$9,975
33	0.645%	\$9,675
34	0.625%	\$9,375
35	0.605%	\$9,075
36	0.585%	\$8,775

Place	Percent	Prize
37	0.565%	\$8,475
38	0.545%	\$8,175
39	0.525%	\$7,875
40	0.515%	\$7,725
41	0.505%	\$7,575
42	0.495%	\$7,425
43	0.485%	\$7,275
44	0.475%	\$7,125
45	0.465%	\$6,975
46	0.455%	\$6,825
47	0.450%	\$6,750
48	0.445%	\$6,675
49	0.440%	\$6,600
50	0.435%	\$6,525
51	0.430%	\$6,450
52	0.426%	\$6,390
53	0.424%	\$6,360
54	0.422%	\$6,330
55	0.420%	\$6,300
56	0.418%	\$6,270
57	0.416%	\$6,240
58	0.414%	\$6,210
59	0.412%	\$6,180
60	0.410%	\$6,150
61	0.408%	\$6,120
62	0.406%	\$6,090
63	0.404%	\$6,060
64	0.402%	\$6,030
65	0.400%	\$6,000

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# 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 as determined by the final cut the player made (i.e. the primary cut to the low 65 players (including amateurs) plus ties after 36 holes). 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 and an alternate list, such as the Korn Ferry Tour Championship, 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.

Points will be awarded at official money Korn Ferry Tour events, as defined by the Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations. Korn Ferry Tour points are distributed to players earning official money.

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## KORN FERRY TOUR POINTS SYSTEM

The Korn Ferry Tour Points System is a season-long system in which players accumulate points in each eligible official money event. The Korn Ferry Tour Points System shall be set forth annually by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

### Korn Ferry Tour Points Distribution

- Official Korn Ferry Tour events each award 500 points to first place.
- Official Korn Ferry Tour Finals events each award 600 points to first place

### 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 Korn Ferry Tour events.

Position	Korn Ferry Tour Events	Korn Ferry Tour Finals Event
1	500	600
2	300	330
3	190	210
4	135	150
5	110	120
6	100	110
7	90	100
8	85	94
9	80	88

Position	Korn Ferry Tour Events	Korn Ferry Tour Finals Event
10	75	82
11	70	77
12	65	72
13	60	68
14	57	64
15	55	61
16	53	59
17	51	57
18	49	55
19	47	53
20	45	51
21	43	48.73
22	41	46.47
23	39	44.2
24	37	41.93
25	35.5	40.23
26	34	38.53
27	32.5	36.83
28	31	35.13
29	29.5	33.43
30	28	31.73
31	26.5	30.03
32	25	28.33
33	23.5	26.63
34	22	24.93
35	21	23.8
36	20	22.67
37	19	21.53
38	18	20.4
39	17	19.27
40	16	18.13
41	15	17
42	14	15.87
43	13	14.73
44	12	13.6
45	11	12.47
46	10.5	11.9
47	10	11.33
48	9.5	10.77
49	9	10.2
50	8.5	9.63
51	8	9.07
52	7.5	8.5
53	7	7.93
54	6.5	7.37
55	6	6.8
56	5.8	6.57
57	5.6	6.35
58	5.4	6.12
59	5.2	5.89
60	5	5.67
61	4.8	5.44
62	4.6	5.21
63	4.4	4.99
64	4.2	4.76
65	4	4.53

Position	Korn Ferry Tour Events	Korn Ferry Tour Finals Event
66	3.8	4.31
67	3.6	4.08
68	3.4	3.85
69	3.2	3.63
70	3	3.4
71	2.9	3.29
72	2.8	3.17
73	2.7	3.06
74	2.6	2.95
75	2.5	2.83
76	2.4	2.72
77	2.3	2.61
78	2.2	2.49
79	2.1	2.38
80	2	2.27
81	1.9	2.15
82	1.8	2.04
83	1.7	1.93
84	1.6	1.81
85	1.5	1.7

**NOTE: Positions 66-85 are shown to represent ties for 65th position**

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**

Korn Ferry Tour points are distributed to players earning official money. Amateurs will not be eligible to earn Korn Ferry Tour points. For example, if an amateur finishes 3rd at an event and a professional finishes 4th, the professional will receive 4th place points – 3rd place points will not be awarded at all.

Korn Ferry Tour points will be awarded at official Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour points.

With the absence of a Korn Ferry Tour event opposite the U.S. Open in the 2025 season, crossover points will not be awarded for Korn Ferry Tour Members playing in the U.S. Open.

All Korn Ferry Tour points will be calculated and rounded to three decimals

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# PERFORMANCE BENEFITS

## For the PGA TOUR:

- **Top-20** players from the Final Korn Ferry Tour Points List earn status on the PGA TOUR for the following season.
- **Three Win Promotion:** Any Korn Ferry Tour member who wins three events in the same season becomes eligible immediately for PGA TOUR membership that season and exempt status the following season.

## For the Korn Ferry Tour:

- **Tournament Winners, whose wins are considered official on the Korn Ferry Tour** are fully exempt for Korn Ferry Tour regular season events for the balance of the season of their win and the following season. If a tournament winner on the Korn Ferry Tour gains exempt status on the PGA TOUR following the end of the Korn Ferry Tour season in which they won the event but does not finish the subsequent PGA TOUR season inside the top 125 on the FedExCup Points List, then that player will play out of the Tournament Winners category for the following season.
- **Tournament Winners of Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season** events are exempt for the particular tournament won for the following five (5) seasons.
- **Top-75** players on the Final Korn Ferry Tour Points List are fully exempt for the following season's Korn Ferry Tour events.
- **Finishers 76 - 100** on the Korn Ferry Tour Points List are conditionally exempt for the following season's Korn Ferry Tour events.
- **PGA TOUR 126-150** from the final FedExCup Fall Points List are fully exempt for the following season on the Korn Ferry Tour.
- **PGA TOUR 151-200** from the final FedExCup Fall Points List and **Top 200 Non-Members** from the FedExCup Fall Points List are conditionally exempt for the following season on the Korn Ferry Tour.

## For PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament presented by Korn Ferry Tour:

- **Finishers 21-50** on the Final Korn Ferry Tour Points List are exempt into the Final Stage of the Qualifying Tournament.
- **Finishers 51-75** on the Final Korn Ferry Tour Points List are exempt into the Second Stage of the Qualifying Tournament.
- **Winners of Korn Ferry Tour tournaments in the previous three seasons** are exempt into the Second Stage of the Qualifying Tournament.



- The Korn Ferry Tour is recognized as part of the World Golf Rankings system.

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## **GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

### **PLAYER IDENTIFICATION**

Korn Ferry Tour members receive a personal photo ID which serves as identification at all cosponsored tournaments. Similar photo IDs are provided for their significant other, to serve the same function. If lost, replacement photo IDs are available through PGA TOUR Headquarters at a cost of \$50 per photo ID.

### **TICKETS FOR MEMBERS FAMILY**

Host organizations provide complimentary daily admissions tickets for any member of the PGA TOUR or the PGA of America, as well as for members of his immediate family. Immediate family in this case includes the player's wife, children and parents. Family members must accompany the player in person to obtain the admission tickets.

### **BAD WEATHER GUIDELINES**

In situations involving bad weather, first priority is always the competition and completion of 72 holes. Every effort will be made to achieve this objective by Sunday, which could include playing 36 holes on the final day.

In making decisions to extend play beyond Sunday (when applicable) or to reduce the tournament to fewer than 72 holes due to inclement weather, the on-site Chief Referee discusses the situation and conditions with a number of parties, including the host organization, title sponsor, host site (general manager and/or golf course superintendent), on-site meteorologist, television representatives and the other members of the Rules Committee. Players are not included in these discussions as policy dictates it is inappropriate for the Rules Committee to discuss matters directly affecting the competition with contestants.

In an effort to provide more definitive guidelines for use in the decision-making process, the following Bad Weather Guidelines will be followed:

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 3rd or 4th rounds).
4. In the event of a suspension during the final round, with the exception of the last event of the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season and all Korn Ferry Tour Finals events, the round will be cancelled unless half the field has completed the round. If at least half the field has completed 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.
5. For the last event of the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season and all of Korn Ferry Tour Finals events, 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 Play-off to determine the winner)
6. Tournament Format: If the tournament utilizes a multiple course format, the number of rounds needed to have players complete one round on each course will be considered. In pro-am events, amateurs may be asked to discontinue once play resumes in an effort to complete play on schedule.

## **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.

Per Rule 5.7 (Stopping Play; Resuming Play) and PGA TOUR Local Rules & Terms of the Competition, Model Local Rule J-1 is in effect as follows:

- a. One blast of horn: Immediate suspension for a dangerous situation.
- b. Three short blasts of horn: Suspension for non-dangerous situation.
- c. Two short blasts of horn: Resume play.

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

**NOTE:** During an immediate suspension for a dangerous situation, all practice areas are closed until the Committee declares them open.

## **LOCKER ROOM**

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 staff.

**NOTE:** Network television personnel are permitted locker room access for the purpose of set up and operation of a "Weather Studio".

A caddie may enter the locker room at any time during the week to assist the player in loading the player's golf bag with contents from his locker or using the tournament provided facilities. Caddies cannot congregate in the locker room. Players whose caddies enter locker rooms (not within the designated times listed above) will be fined \$100. Subsequent fines during a season will be \$250 and \$500, 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.

A player 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.

**Players in the starting tournament field where locker room facilities are available at the host clubhouse must pay a minimum of \$20 at player registration for services provided by the attendant.**

Smoking is not permitted in the player locker room.

## **COURTESY CAR POLICIES (IF APPLICABLE)**

As a matter of courtesy to tournament volunteers, no player may request courtesy car service (pickup or return at airports) after 8 p.m. or before 7 a.m. If courtesy cars are issued to players by the host organization, only players may drive the cars. The penalty for permitting a caddie to drive a courtesy car is \$500 for the first offense and \$1,000 for any additional offense.

## **PLAYER EQUIPMENT**

To help ensure that players competing in Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments use equipment that conforms with the USGA 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. Any new equipment must be formally approved by the USGA prior to putting the equipment in play.
2. Confirm that driving clubs are on the USGA List of Conforming Driver Heads. Any modified club head or club face must conform as if new and may need to be re-tested.
3. Have any altered or unusual clubs checked by a Korn Ferry Tour Rules Official before tournament use.
4. Verify that the ball chosen to be played is on the USGA's List of Conforming Golf Balls.
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 Rules of Golf. Additionally, if required by a Korn Ferry Tour 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, Korn Ferry Tour, at the request of the USGA, collects ball and club samples for testing by the USGA.

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## PRACTICE AREA POLICY

To provide contestants the ability to practice without distraction, the PGA TOUR Policy Board has adopted the following policy:

Only contestants, their caddies, instructors, managers, 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 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 judgement 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 pro-am days at tournaments played from the start of each season until the Masters Tournament, professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am are permitted to practice chipping and putting on course prior to the first pro-am starting time. Full shots on course are not permitted. On pro-am

days at tournaments played after the Masters Tournament until the conclusion of the season, professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am are permitted to practice all shots on course prior to the first pro-am starting time. Any practice taking place prior to the pro-am must not interfere with the pace of play of the pro-am and players shall not endanger persons preparing the golf course for the pro-am.

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. This time will be adjusted to 7:30 a.m. for the months of May through August. When the 9&9 format is being utilized for Pro-Am events, practice rounds may begin off the 1st and 10th tees with no time restrictions off the 10th tee.

**NOTE:** Practice rounds beginning on the 10th tee must yield in all instances to Players making the turn and must not delay practice rounds at any time.

During tournament week practice facilities and the tournament course are for qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the Korn Ferry Tour alternate list unless approved by the Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee. Qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the Korn Ferry Tour 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.

A player 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.

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## **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 Rules Committee.

## **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 marker 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.

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## **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 player must not practice on the competition course or test the surface of any putting green on the course by rolling a ball or rubbing the surface. Furthermore, the PGA TOUR has adopted the following policy which applies to PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions and Korn Ferry Tour competitions:

On any day of an official stroke play or match play competition, or during official practice rounds and Pro-Ams, players and caddies are NOT permitted to use any device that measures the condition of any putting green on the competition course (i.e. slope, speed, texture, firmness, friction, or moisture level).

A device specifically designed to be used as a "training aid" may be used on any day on the practice greens. The same "training aid" may be used on the competition course during practice rounds, provided it does not measure the conditions as described.

A player 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.

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## **ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM**

All contestants in PGA TOUR 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, Senior Vice President, Tournament Administration, at PGA TOUR Headquarters.

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## **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 inquires and investigations as shall be appropriate to determine whether a member has violated the alcohol policy or any interpretations thereof.

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## **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.

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## **SPONSOR VALUE PROGRAM**

The Sponsor Value Program is designed to foster further interaction between tournaments, sponsors and players to provide additional added value to Title Sponsors, tournaments and other various stakeholders through increased player participation at events during tournament week. Types of events include, but are not limited to: Sponsor Dinners, Clinics, Q&A, Pro-Am Draw/Awards Party as well as Charity and Volunteer Visits.

Player Relations will notify each player of their Sponsor Value Program commitment via text message. Following this, the tournament will be notified via email/text message of each player that will participate and their assigned program.



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# PACE OF PLAY POLICY

Rule 5.6b states, in part: "The player should 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 Policy, including penalties and fines, for stroke play competitions has been adopted. In the administration of this Pace of Play Policy, 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 AND APPLICATION 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 exceed the allotted time to play, and:

- a) reach a par-3 hole that is open and clear of play, and all players in the group ahead have played their strokes from the teeing area of the next hole, or
- b) reach a par-4 or a par-5 hole and all players have not played a stroke from the teeing area before the hole is open and clear 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, they may be timed individually at the Rules Committee's discretion, regardless of whether their group is out of position.**

## **APPLICATION OF WARNINGS, TIMINGS AND BAD TIMES**

When the Rules Committee determines that a group is starting to fall behind, or is out of position, the group (or individual players within 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 the group or an individual is affecting other groups.

Once a group (or individual 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 their turn to play, and they can play without interference or distraction. Players will be allowed a reasonable of time to find a fixed reference point (such as a sprinkler head) and pace back to their ball. Time spent

calculating and interpreting that yardage and determining club and other condition, such as wind, will count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction. Players will be given a reasonable amount of time to complete the actions allowed under Rules 13.1 and 15.1, provided the player is not unreasonably delaying play. Time spent assessing the line of play and other conditions (such as slope or grain), will count as time taken for the next stroke.

**NOTE 1:** 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.

**NOTE 2:** Bad Times apply when a player exceeds the applicable time to play a stroke when being timed. The player will be given a bad time and informed by the referee as soon as practicable.

## **DEFINITION AND APPLICATION OF EXCESSIVE SHOT TIMES (EST)**

Excessive Shot Times apply when a player exceeds:

- a) 120 seconds for the first player in a group to play a stroke.
- b) 100 seconds for subsequent players in the group to play a stroke.

If a player is observed by a referee to take more than 120 seconds to play a stroke when first to play, or 100 seconds to play a stroke for subsequent players without a valid reason, they will be given an Excessive Shot Time. The player will be informed as soon as practicable by the referee and may be timed individually, regardless of the groups position.

An Excessive Shot Time must be observed by a referee on-course and in-person. However, the referee may choose to confirm the actual shot time with the assistance of video footage.

**NOTE:** All Excessive Stroke Times accumulated during the round or season are subject to monetary fines.

## **PENALTY STROKES DURING A TOURNAMENT - BAD TIMES**

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.

## **FINES CUMULATIVE DURING A SEASON - TIMINGS, BAD TIMES & EXCESSIVE SHOT TIMES**

“Season” is defined as all official Korn Ferry Tour and Korn Ferry Tour Finals tournaments combined. All Timings, Bad Times and Excessive Shot Times accumulate during the season (except as detailed in Note 3 below).

### **a. TIMINGS**

- First through ninth (9th) occasion of being timed - no fine.
- Tenth (10th) occasion of being timed - a fine of \$2,000.:
- Eleventh (11th) and subsequent occasion of being timed - a fine of \$500 for each offense.

### **b. BAD TIMES**

First Offense:

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

Second Offense:

- Second timing exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (2 Bad times) - a fine of \$1,000

Third and Subsequent Offenses:

- Third and subsequent timings exceeding the applicable time to play a stroke (3 Bad times)  
- a fine of \$2,000 for each offense

### **c. EXCESSIVE SHOT TIMES (EST's)**

- First timing exceeding the applicable 120 or 100 seconds to play a stroke (1 Excessive Shot Time) – no fine.
- Second timing exceeding the applicable 120 or 100 seconds to play a stroke (2 Excessive Shot Times) – a fine of \$500.

Third and Subsequent Offenses:

- Third and subsequent timings exceeding the applicable 120 or 100 seconds to play a stroke (3 or more Excessive Shot Times) – a fine of \$1,000 for each offense.

**NOTE 1:** Timings, Bad Times and Excessive Shot Times which occur on the PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions and Korn Ferry Tour will be counted together for the purposes of determining a player's cumulative season total. Fines will be pro-rated based on the number of occurrences on each respective tour.

**NOTE 2:** Timings, Bad Times and Excessive Shot Times which occur at non-Four-Ball rounds at official Pro-Am tournaments (e.g., BMW Charity Pro-Am), will count toward a player's cumulative season total.

**NOTE 3:** Timings, Bad Times and Excessive Shot Times which occur at Major Championships will not count towards a player's cumulative season total.

## **DEFINITION AND APPLICATION OF AVERAGE STROKE TIME (AST)**

Average Stroke Time (AST) is a data driven statistic based on the recording of a player's individual stroke times and produced by ShotLink. At the conclusion of a tournament a player's Average Stroke Time is compared against the field average.

- a) For a given tournament, if a player has an average stroke time of 7.0 seconds or more above the field average, they have recorded an Average Stroke Time (AST) infraction.
- b) For a given tournament, if a player has an Average Stroke Time of 12.0 seconds or more above the field average, they have recorded an Excessive Average Stroke Time (EAST) infraction.

AST infractions (including those deemed excessive) are accumulated during the season before monetary fines are applied.

**NOTE 1:** The calculation of a player's average stroke time for a tournament is calculated as follows:

- a) Each individual stroke time is the amount of elapsed time from when the preceding player hits his shot to the time the player makes his stroke.
- b) The following strokes are then removed from the calculation of the average:
  - All strokes played immediately after relief drops, penalty drops, and provisional balls played;
  - Each instance of the first player to play (e.g., first stroke from the tee, first approach, first putt, etc.);
  - All shots that require large spans of time;
  - For each individual player, the top 10% slowest shots recorded; and
- If a competitor plays more than 9 holes in a group of 2 when groups of 3 have been scheduled, their stroke data for that specific round will not count towards their Average Stroke Time (AST).

**NOTE 2:** The following tournaments are not included in the season accumulation of AST infractions:

- a) Major Championships and tournaments where ShotLink stroke data is not recorded (i.e. events held in Bahamas and South America);
- b) BMW Charity Pro-Am and other pro-am format events.

**NOTE 3:** The accumulation of AST infractions will be updated on a weekly basis. The player data and fine structure will be reviewed by the Rules Committee and Policy Board on an annual basis.

## **FINES CUMULATIVE DURING A SEASON - AVERAGE STROKE TIME (AST) INFRACTIONS**

- A.** Once a player has accumulated ten (10) Average Stroke Time (AST) infractions during a season, monetary fines will be instituted as follows:
- First through ninth (1st – 9th) AST infractions - no fine.
  - Tenth (10th) AST infraction - a fine of \$2,000.
  - Eleventh through Fourteenth (11th – 14th) AST infractions - a fine of \$500 for each offense.
  - Fifteenth (15th) and subsequent AST infractions - a fine of \$1,000 for each offense.
- B.** Once a player has accumulated three (3) Excessive Average Stroke Times (EAST) infractions during a season monetary fines will be instituted as follows:
- First Excessive AST infraction - no fine.
  - Second Excessive AST infraction - no fine
  - Third Excessive AST infraction - a fine of \$500
  - Fourth and subsequent Excessive AST infractions - a fine of \$1,000 each

**NOTE:** Average Stroke Time (AST) infractions on the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour will be counted together for the purposes of determining the cumulative number of AST infractions during a season. Fines will be pro-rated based on the number of occurrences on each respective tour.

## **REPEAT OFFENSES**

Any player that receives a fine under this pace of play policy for Timings, Bad Times, Excessive Shot Times or Average Stroke Times will be subject to double this fine structure for 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. (**NOTE:** Any player who receives a fine under this policy on the Korn Ferry Tour will not be subject to double the existing fine structure in their first year on the PGA TOUR.)

In addition, a player who exceeds ten (10) timings or Average Stroke Time infractions in more than one season or has an Average Stroke Time that is consistently above TOUR average, and shows no improvement over the course of a season, may be subject to further sanctions under the Conduct Unbecoming a Professional regulation. This may include but is not limited to suspension and/or other measures designed to help the player improve his pace of play including mandatory education, additional fines, or other requirements.

## **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.**

A player may not appeal any occasion of being Timed or any Average Stroke Time infraction.

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 reasonable way by the Rules Committee.

## **DETERMINATION OF TIME ALLOTTED FOR PLAY FOR THE ROUND**

The Rules Committee will determine the amount of time that an ‘average group’ of players is expected to play a round in groups of two, three or four. Each hole to be played will be assigned an amount of time using the below framework as a guiding principle:

	<b>Groups of Two Players</b>	<b>Groups of Three Players</b>	<b>Groups of Four Players</b>
Par 3 Holes	10 minutes	11 minutes	12 minutes
Par 4 Holes	12 minutes	14 minutes	16 minutes
Par 5 Holes	15 minutes	18 minutes	20 minutes

Additional, or less time, may be allotted to a given hole based on the following four factors:

1. Length of the hole
2. Difficulty of the hole
3. Length and topography of walk between the green and tee/shuttle time
4. Historical data of the average time taken to play the hole

Once the ‘Time Chart’ has been finalized (typically no later than Wednesday of tournament week), it will be displayed on the player and caddie notice boards, including the virtual locker room and available at the starting tees.

In the event of adverse or unexpected weather, the Rules Committee will make the necessary adjustments in the field.

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## **RETURN OF SCORECARD**

Item 19, Scorecard Returned, on the 2024 PGA TOUR Local Rules and Terms of Competition document (hard card) has been amended. This amendment allows a player additional time to return to the scoring area to correct an error on the scorecard.

The following term of the competition ‘Return of Scorecard’ is now in effect:

“Return of Scorecard: Under Rule 3.3b, a player must promptly proceed to the scoring area once their round is completed, and the player’s scorecard is returned to the Committee 15 minutes after the scorecard is accepted into the electronic scoring system.

But if a scorecard mistake is discovered before it is accepted into the electronic scoring system and the player is not in the scoring area to correct that mistake, the player’s scorecard is returned 15 minutes after that mistake is discovered.

Exception 1: If the player is in the scoring area when the 15-minute time limit expires, the player's scorecard is only returned when the player leaves the scoring area.

Exception 2: A player's scorecard is returned if any of the following four events occur, even if it occurs before the 15-minute time limit has expired or the player is still in the scoring area:

- Starting times have been released after a cut has been made.
- The player begins their next round.
- Any player has made a stroke to begin a play-off.
- The competition has closed.

**NOTE:** When applying the Exception to Rule 3.3b(3) or under any Rule where a player must correct a mistake before returning their scorecard (such as Rule 14.7c), the player's scorecard is returned when the player has left the scoring area."

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## RESHUFFLE PROCEDURE

In accordance with Section III A.1 (e), (f), (r), (t), (u) and (v) of these Tournament Regulations, the first reordering of conditional categories will take place after the conclusion of the Astar Golf Championship presented by Mastercard and then every fourth event thereafter.

Reorders will occur after the conclusion of the Astar Golf Championship presented by Mastercard, LECOM Suncoast Classic, Visit Knoxville Open, Memorial Health Championship presented by LRS, and the Utah Championship presented by Zions Bank and InterMountain Health.

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## PROCEDURES FOR DUALY-COMMITTED PLAYERS

PGA TOUR members in the "126 to 150" category and below (including 3-time winners of Korn Ferry Tour in the current season) may commit to both PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour events scheduled for the same week. If a player is in the field of both events, he must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters by 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday of tournament week which tournament he intends to play. Failure to notify the PGA TOUR of his intention will cause the player to be placed in the PGA TOUR field and removed from the Korn Ferry Tour field.

PGA TOUR members in the "Top Finishers of the DP World Tour/Korn Ferry Tour/Q-School" category and above who may not be eligible for the PGA TOUR event may commit to both PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour events scheduled for the same week. If a player is in the PGA TOUR event by 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday of tournament week, he must play the PGA TOUR event and will be removed from the Korn Ferry Tour field.

A player who is an alternate for the PGA TOUR event and is in the Korn Ferry Tour tournament must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters by 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday of tournament week of his

intention to play the Korn Ferry Tour event. If he notifies the PGA TOUR that he intends to play the Korn Ferry Tour event (or if he fails to give such notification), then he shall cease to be an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR event and shall remain in the field of the Korn Ferry Tour event.

PGA TOUR Champions members may commit to both PGA TOUR Champions and Korn Ferry Tour events scheduled for the same week. If a player is in the field of both events, he must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters by 3 p.m. Eastern Time on Monday of the tournament week which tournament he intends to play. Failure to notify the PGA TOUR of his intention will cause the player to be placed in the PGA TOUR Champions field and removed from the Korn Ferry Tour field.

A PGA TOUR Champions member who is an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR Champions event and is in the Korn Ferry Tour tournament must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters by 5 p.m. Eastern Time on Wednesday of tournament week of his intention to play the Korn Ferry Tour event. If he notifies the PGA TOUR that he intends to play the Korn Ferry Tour event (or if he fails to give such notification), then he shall cease to be an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR Champions event and shall remain in the field of the Korn Ferry Tour event.

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## **POLICY FOR USE OF GOLF CARTS BY DISABLED INSTRUCTORS**

PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour members have made requests that instructors with disabilities who are physically unable to walk the golf course be permitted to use golf carts while accompanying players during practice rounds.

While we will make every effort to accommodate disabled instructors who need golf carts, we remind the players that additional golf carts on site at tournaments create numerous logistical and safety concerns. As such, we have attempted over the last several months to work closely with television networks, local media, and the tournament organizations to reduce the overall number of carts.

Nonetheless, the following policy shall be applicable for members seeking the use of a golf cart for a disabled instructor.

- The request for the use of the cart must be made by the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour member.
- In requesting the use of a cart for an instructor, the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour member must indicate the name of the instructor, the nature of the instructors disability, and if requested by PGA TOUR, provide medical reports or other data indicating the extent and nature of the instructors disability.
- A request must be made for each individual tournament and must be made no later than 2 weeks prior to that tournament.
- The Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee after reviewing the request, documentation submitted with the request, and after further discussions with the member and/or the particular instructor, if



necessary, will make a determination as to whether a cart should be issued to the instructor. Carts will be made available only to instructors who have a disability that prevents them from walking along with their players. The Chief Referee's decision shall be final.

- If a cart is issued to the instructor, the following rules relating to the use of the cart shall apply.
  - Carts will be issued only on designated practice rounds days (normally Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday) of tournament week.
  - Only the instructor (not the player) may ride in the cart.
  - Cart use shall be restricted to out-of-fairway areas as specifically designated by Chief Referee.
  - Carts will not be permitted in designated practice areas (e.g., range, putting green, etc.) at any time.
  - If, in the Chief Referee's opinion, use of the cart could potentially damage the playing surface of the golf course (e.g., due to wet conditions), the Chief Referee shall have the right to deny the use of a cart.
  - The cart shall be picked up from the location specified by the Chief Referee and returned to that location.
  - No more than three carts may be utilized by instructors at any one time. To the extent that more than 3 carts are requested at any one time, the Chief Referee shall establish a schedule during practice rounds for the use of such carts.

We appreciate the membership's cooperation with these policies as we believe they strike the appropriate balance between the memberships need to accommodate their disabled instructors while, at the same time, not unfairly hindering practice rounds by other members or endangering the safety of spectators and others at tournament sites.

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## **CADDIE REGULATIONS**

All players in Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments shall employ caddies for all practice, Pro-Am and tournament rounds, though golf carts may occasionally be authorized by the PGA TOUR's Chief Referee for practice or Pro-Am rounds, whereby caddies are not required.

Caddies shall be paid promptly. The fee is to be resolved early in the week between the player and caddie. Players who wish to bring their own caddies to PGA TOUR 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 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 provided by the PGA TOUR. All caddies are required to wear solid-colored khaki-style long pants, which touch the top of the shoe, or solid-colored, knee-length tailored shorts or skorts, and a collared shirt while on club property. T-shirts, jeans, culottes, skirts, capris, cut off shorts and cargo style shorts are not permitted. Acceptable colors shall be determined at the discretion of the Tournament Director.
3. Caddies shall wear smooth rubber-sole shoes preferably tennis or basketball shoes. Permissible colors are limited to white and earth tones such as navy, blue, black, brown, tan, gray, dark green and the like. Bright colors that are intended to draw attention to a person's footwear are not acceptable. Footwear with a closed toe is required. Flip flops, open-toed sandals and other similar shoes are not permitted. Closed-toed Crocs are acceptable provided they conform with the colors described above. GOLF SPIKES are prohibited.
4. Caddies must conform to the Player Endorsement Policy.
5. 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.
6. Caddies credentials provide clubhouse, locker room, and practice area access as designated by tournament host.
7. A caddie may enter the locker room during the week to assist the player with retrieving items from his locker. Caddies may enter the locker room to use the facilities but may not congregate.
8. Caddies shall not be permitted on practice greens except to retrieve pitch and run shots or putts.
9. Caddies shall assist in maintaining the course by REPLACING DIVOTS AND RAKING BUNKERS as soon as practical after their player has played.
10. Caddies shall not hit shots or putts anywhere on the practice areas or course except in specially approved competitions.
11. Caddies shall not falsely register for accommodations or leave unpaid bills.
12. Caddies shall not engage in any conduct that is prohibited for players under the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program.
13. Caddies shall not engage in any conduct that is prohibited under the PGA TOUR Integrity Program, which, among other things, prohibits caddies from betting on a tournament and providing inside information to third parties for purposes of betting on a tournament. A copy of the PGA TOUR Integrity Program is available at [caddies.pgatourhq.com](http://caddies.pgatourhq.com).
14. Caddies shall not engage in conduct unbecoming a professional caddie on the PGA TOUR as determined in the sole discretion of the PGA TOUR.
15. Caddies must carry their player's clubs. Pull carts or the like are not permitted.
16. Caddies may not capture or distribute any video, audio, or photograph on site at a tournament throughout tournament week (including on practice days) without written permission from the PGA TOUR.

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, disciplinary action may be taken against the player from whom the caddie is providing services.

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## **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 [dataprivacyandcompliance@pgatourhq.com](mailto:dataprivacyandcompliance@pgatourhq.com).

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## **MOBILE AND ELECTRONIC DEVICE POLICY FOR CONTESTANTS AND CADDIES (AND OTHERS WITH ACCESS TO DESIGNATED PRACTICE AREAS)**

### **On Practice Days**

- Players may use a mobile device (cell phone, smart watch, etc.) in designated practice areas or on the competition course for all communication purposes, data services and capturing content, if done in a courteous or silent manner that does not affect other players. Devices should be kept on silent or vibrate mode.
- Players may use other electronic devices (rangefinders, launch monitors, video cameras for instruction, heart monitors, pedometers, electronic watches with health monitoring sensors and other wearables, etc.) in designated practice areas and on the competition course, but only with proper etiquette and in a manner that does not affect the practice rounds of other players.

### **During Pro-Ams**

- During a pro-am round players are prohibited from using a mobile device for voice calls on the competition course. If a player needs to communicate by text or email outside the pro-am group, he must be brief and use good judgment with respect to his pro-am partners.
- In designated practice areas and on the competition course players may use a mobile device for other data services and capturing content, but only with proper etiquette and in a manner that does not distract or affect the pace of other pro-am players.

- In designated practice areas and on the competition course players may use other electronic devices, as defined above, but only with proper etiquette and in a manner that does not distract or affect the pace of other pro-am players.

### **During Official Competition**

- During a competition round players are prohibited from using a mobile device for all communication purposes (voice calls, text, email, etc.), data services, or for capturing content.
- In designated practice areas, before or after a competition round, players may use a mobile device for communication purposes, data services and for capturing content if done in a courteous or silent manner that does not affect other players.
- In designated practice areas, before or after a competition round, players may use other electronic devices, as defined above, but only with proper etiquette and in a manner that does not affect other players.
- Mobile and other electronic devices are permitted during competition for items allowed under the Rules of Golf, including but not limited to:
  - a) Using a clock as a stopwatch in a search or for time of day;
  - b) Using a plain compass (without an elevation feature) or using a simple calculator for yardage;
  - c) Accessing a weather forecast;
  - d) Accessing tournament scoring; and
  - e) Recording physiological information on monitors (including wearables) for use after the round.
- However, when using a mobile or electronic device during competition, players and caddies are responsible to know items NOT allowed under the Rules of Golf, including but not limited to:
  - a) Listening to music or other audio to eliminate distractions;
  - b) Measuring wind speed or elevation changes;
  - c) Helping with swing tempo, or accessing any physiological information recorded during the round;
  - d) Watching video of the competition that helps a player in choosing a club or making a stroke; and
  - e) Distance measuring (under Model Local Rule G-5).

Penalty for first breach of Rule 4.3a is the general penalty, second breach is disqualification.

### **NOTES:**

- a) The Rules Committee may authorize other mobile device use, but only in extreme cases; and
- b) 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 tournaments.

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## **GUIDELINES FOR PLAYERS' USE OF ELECTRONIC THERAPY DEVICES**

The use of electronic stretching devices, such as massage therapy guns, for medical purposes is permitted under the Rules of Golf. However, the use should not delay play, be of short duration, be discreet and not be used for any other than medical or stretching purposes. The device may not provide any other function that is prohibited under the Rules.

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## **GUIDELINES FOR 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).

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## **INTERNET POLICY**

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

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

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# PGA TOUR 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 and/or financial interest 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. Additionally, a player may not display on the player’s apparel, headwear, golf bag or golf equipment a display of a political message or endorsement of a political candidate. 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.

*Competing Tours.* In order to protect the financial interest of the membership as a whole, and so not as to allow others to freeride on the PGA TOUR’s platform, no player may display on his person, bag, hat or otherwise the marks or indicia of an entity or brand that operates, sanctions, sponsors, funds and/or co-sanctions unauthorized tournaments or teams participating in unauthorized tournaments without prior written permission of the PGA TOUR.

*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.* A player may have sponsorships by casinos, sports betting, daily fantasy and other legal gambling companies, 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.
- 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.
- 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 appear and otherwise be used in ads and other promotions for sports betting and daily fantasy generally, but not ads and promotions that promote betting on a specific player or making a specific bet. For example, a player could appear in an ad that says, "Download the DraftKings app and bet on PGA TOUR golf," but not, "Bet on me this week." Further, each ad or promotion requires the prior approval of the PGA TOUR and must be submitted to the PGA TOUR Competitions department in advance for review and approval. Each ad or promotion must include a responsible gambling or social responsibility message (e.g., "Please remember to bet responsibly").
- 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).

*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.

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## **MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS**

### **ANNUAL MEETINGS**

The Annual Meeting(s) of the members of the Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour. All Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour. Within 30 days of the receipt of the petition, the Commissioner will schedule and give notice of such meeting.



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# **SPECIAL AWARDS**

## **KORN FERRY TOUR PLAYER OF THE YEAR**

Every season, the Player Advisory Council for the Korn Ferry Tour nominates a list of players for the Player of the Year award. The list of nominees is then sent out to be voted on by the Korn Ferry Tour membership. To be eligible to vote, a player must be a member of the Korn Ferry Tour and play in at least 12 official events during that season. To be eligible to win the award, the player must have played in at least 7 regular season Korn Ferry Tour events in the current season. The player who receives the most votes becomes the Korn Ferry Tour Player of the Year.

## **KORN FERRY TOUR ROOKIE OF THE YEAR**

Every season, the Player Advisory Council for the Korn Ferry Tour nominates a list of players for the Rookie of the Year Award. A player's rookie season ("Rookie Year") is defined as the season in which he becomes a Korn Ferry Tour Member (including Special Temporary Member) and plays in eight (8) or more official money Korn Ferry Tour events as a member or finishes in the Top 75 on the Regular Season Official Points list, whichever occurs first. Further, for purposes of this definition, a new member shall not be eligible to be a rookie if he has previously played in more than eight (8) Official Korn Ferry Tour events as a professional or has been a PGA TOUR Member in any prior season.

Korn Ferry Tour members who have played in at least 12 official events during that season vote on this award. The Player who receives the most votes becomes the Rookie of the Year.

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# **2025 KORN FERRY TOUR TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS**

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# KORN FERRY TOUR TOURNAMENT REGULATIONS

These Tournament Regulations shall govern the operation and administration of the Korn Ferry Tour golf tournaments cosponsored by the PGA TOUR\*. Any player who is prevented from conveying any rights set forth in these Tournament Regulations to the PGA TOUR including, but not limited to, those set forth in Article V (Conflicting Events; Media and Marketing Rights) herein shall be deemed ineligible for membership.

These Regulations may be amended or repealed from time to time as provided in Article IX, Section F 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, gender, sexual orientation or national origin.

\* PGA TOUR is the trade name of PGA TOUR, Inc., a Maryland nonprofit corporation (formerly Tournament Players Association, Inc.)

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## I. DEFINITIONS

- A. "Korn Ferry Tour" events mean those tournaments or events for which the eligible players are as described in Article III of these Regulations.
- B. A "cosponsored" Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour Points List" is the list of players ranked according to the amount of points (see Article IV, Section B-6 of these Regulations) each has won in the Korn Ferry Tour season, cosponsored events in the applicable time period.

F. The "Official PGA TOUR Career Money List" is the list of players ranked according to the amount of official money each has won in PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) cosponsored or approved tournaments during the player's entire career. Further, for PGA TOUR members only, the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List will include official money won in the Kentucky Championship and Barracuda Championship starting in 2022, and World Golf Championship events, if such PGA TOUR member was a member, other than a Special Temporary Member, at such time he played in the World Golf Championship event(s).

**NOTE:** However, money earned by a Special Temporary Member at the 1999 WGC-NEC Invitational will be included on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List.

G. The "Official PGA TOUR Money List" is the list of PGA TOUR members ranked according to the amount of official money (see Article IV, Section B-6 of these Regulations) each has won in PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved tournaments in the applicable time period. Those players who are members of the PGA TOUR as of the beginning of the applicable time period and those who become regular members (as defined in Article IX, Section A.1-5 and 7-8 of these Regulations) during the course of the applicable time period will be included on the "Official PGA TOUR Money List." A player who ceases to be a member of the PGA TOUR during the applicable time period shall be removed from the "Official PGA TOUR Money List." Prize money earned by a nonmember or Special Temporary Member in the Kentucky Championship and Barracuda Championship starting in 2022, and any official money World Golf Championship events will be deemed not to be official money and will not be included on the Official PGA TOUR Money List.

H. The "FedExCup Points List" is the list of PGA TOUR members ranked according to the amount of FedExCup Points each has won in PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved tournaments in the applicable time period. Those players who are members of the PGA TOUR as of the beginning of the applicable time period and those who become regular members (as defined in Article IX, Section A.1-5 and 7-8 of these Regulations) during the applicable time period are eligible to earn FedExCup Points and will be included on the "FedExCup Points List". FedExCup Points earned during a period when a player is not a regular member of PGA TOUR will not be listed on the "FedExCup Points List" but will be listed on a Non-Member FedExCup Points List. Points won by Non-Members and Special Temporary Members who subsequently become regular PGA TOUR Members during the season will be counted on the FedExCup Points List, along with any FedExCup Points earned as a non-member (excluding those won at the Kentucky Championship and Barracuda Championship starting in 2022, as a non-member). A player who ceases to be a member of the PGA TOUR during the applicable time period shall be removed from the "FedExCup Points List" and any points earned will be shown on the Non-Member FedExCup Points List. FedExCup Points earned by a Non-member or Special Temporary Member in the ISCO Championship and Barracuda Championship starting in 2022, and any official money World Golf Championship events will not be counted for the purposes of the "FedExCup Points List." The FedExCup Points System shall be determined annually by the PGA TOUR Policy Board and may be amended from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

I. The "FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List" is the list of PGA TOUR members from the Official FedExCup Points List minus any PGA TOUR member who is under suspension or resigns his membership for participation in an unauthorized event. For the purposes of eligibility, the FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List will be utilized in the 2025 season in place of the Official FedExCup Points List.

- J. An “unauthorized tournament” means any elite, professional golf event (i) for which the Commissioner has denied or has indicated he would deny all conflicting event releases and/or media releases or (ii) not eligible for releases because it is to be held in North America.

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## II. TOURNAMENT AGREEMENT

All Korn Ferry Tour 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. INTRODUCTION

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 Korn Ferry Tour members (including temporary members), PGA TOUR 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 Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored events, whose victories are considered official, in the last season or during the current season.

**NOTE:** Tournament winners are exempt for one season following the end of the season in which they won the event. If a Tournament Winner on the Korn Ferry Tour gains exempt status on the PGA TOUR following the end of the Korn Ferry Tour season in which they won the event but does not finish the subsequent PGA TOUR season inside the top 125 on the FedExCup Fall Points List, then that player will play out of the Tournament Winners category for the following season on the Korn Ferry Tour.

**NOTE:** If a player under 18 years of age wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored or approved event, such player, upon reaching age 18 and joining the Korn Ferry Tour, 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) **Past Champion of Current Week's Event**

For the particular tournament won, previous winners of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments with the same tournament sponsor for five playings, computed from the time of winning.

(c) **Leading Points Winner, PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List Three-Time Winners from the Previous Season's PGA TOUR Americas**

The leading points winner from the previous season's Official PGA TOUR Americas season-long points list and those players, if any, from the previous season's PGA TOUR Americas who won three events awarding official victory status, in chronological order of their win.

(d) **Top 75 Points Leaders from Previous Season's Korn Ferry Tour Season**

If not otherwise exempt under Article III, Section A. 1 (a)–(c), players finishing 31 to 75 on the final Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List from the previous season.

(e) **Next 25 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament**

Players finishing in the next twenty-five positions and any ties on the 25th position from the previous season's PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament after those finishers (i.e. 1-5 and ties) gaining access to the PGA TOUR tournaments pursuant to Article III, Section A1(j.) of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations

**NOTE:** Players eligible for Korn Ferry Tour events pursuant to Section A1(a) or (c) or (d) of this Article III (i.e. Tournament Winners, Leading Points Winner and Three-Time Winners PGA TOUR Americas, and Top 75) and leading finishers from Second Stage of PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament will be included when determining the next 25 finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament

**NOTE:** Players who are under the age of 18, amateurs, and players who choose not to become members will be included when determining the next 25 players and ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament presented by Korn Ferry.

**NOTE:** After the completion of the third reshuffle and approximately every fourth event afterwards, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the Season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Season, provided however that the specific dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (e) and below, i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, Next finishers to 40 and Ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Medalist and ties from 2nd Stage Qualifying Tournament sites, Finishers 2-10 Previous Season PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), Leading 3 Finishers Prior Season Segment II PGA TOUR Americas/Leading 2 Finishers Prior Season Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, Prior Season Members 76-100/Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Q-School, Non-exempt

Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members. All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

**(f) Top Finishers 2-10 from Previous Season's PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List**

If not otherwise exempt under Article III, Section A. 1 (a)–(e) players finishing 2-10 on the final Official PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List from the previous season.

**NOTE:** After the completion of the third reshuffle and approximately every fourth event afterwards, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the Season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Season, provided however that the specific dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (e) and (f) and below, i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, Next finishers to 40 and Ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Medalist and ties from 2nd Stage Qualifying Tournament sites, Next 25 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying event, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), Leading 3 Finishers Prior Season Segment II PGA TOUR Americas/Leading 2 Finishers Prior Season Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, Prior Season Members 76-100/Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Q-School, Non-exempt Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members. All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

**(g) Former Fully Exempt PGA TOUR Members**

Those players who were fully exempt PGA TOUR members for at least the preceding five consecutive seasons. For purposes of this section, fully exempt PGA TOUR members shall be defined as those players eligible for PGA TOUR cosponsored, open events in accordance with Article III, Section A.1.(a) through (k) of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations (i.e. through and including the Top Finishers from DP World Tour prior season, Korn Ferry Tour prior season, and Q-School category) or if such PGA TOUR member is not fully exempt, as defined above, he must have played in at least 25 events on the PGA TOUR in the respective season or become exempt during the season by winning a PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved event.

**NOTE:** During the five preceding seasons, a player may not use a Special Medical Extension in accumulating his five-season total unless, during the season, he achieves combined top 125 FedExCup Points while playing under his Special Medical Extension. If a player receives a Special Medical extension during this time, and does not achieve top 125 FedExCup Points, such player would need to extend his exempt eligibility an additional season to qualify for this exemption. Players in this category will be placed

in order of their positions on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List at the end of the preceding season.

**NOTE:** A player shall be eligible for this exemption in one of the first two seasons after the player fails to retain fully-exempt status on the PGA TOUR (as defined in the preceding paragraph); provided that he notifies PGA TOUR no later than 10 days after the conclusion of the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament for the season preceding the season in which he desires to use this exemption.

**NOTE:** A player who is a Veteran Member of the PGA TOUR who fails to retain fully exempt status on the PGA TOUR (as defined in the preceding paragraph) but retains playing status in the 25 finishers beyond 125th place on the prior season's FedExCup Points List category shall be eligible for this exemption in the season immediately following failing to retain status in the 25 finishers beyond 125th place on the prior season's FedExCup Points List category; provided that he participated in less than five (5) events on the Korn Ferry Tour in any of these seasons.

(h) **PGA TOUR Members 48-49 Years Old**

The top 2 available PGA TOUR members ages 48 and 49, in order of their positions on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List. A PGA TOUR member is eligible for this category from their 48th birthday until their 50th birthday.

Players eligible for Korn Ferry Tour events in this eligibility category must attain age 48 on or before the first scheduled official round of the tournament or must remain age 49 through the final scheduled round of his final tournament.

(i) **Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension**

1. If not otherwise exempt under Sections A.1(a)-(g) of this Article III a member who meets the requirements in (a) through (c) below shall be entitled to a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension and shall be exempted into Korn Ferry Tour tournaments prior to those players meeting the requirements of Section A.1(i) of Article III.

(a) (i) At the discretion of the Commissioner, after the review of such medical reports and examinations as the Commissioner deems appropriate, has experienced an injury or other medical disability sufficiently serious to prevent such member from competing in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved events in the season in which his injury or medical disability occurred; or

(ii) At the discretion of the Commissioner and after a review of medical reports and examinations and any other information the Commissioner deems appropriate, a member's spouse or child has experienced a medical condition or other disability that prevents the member from competing on a regular basis in PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour events for a minimum of two months from the date of the spouse or child's medical condition or other disability and in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR cosponsored events in the season in which the spouse or child's medical condition or other disability occurred. (**NOTE:** If a spouse or child's medical condition or other disability is considered initially not serious enough to prevent



the member from competing for a minimum of two months but later proves to be, additional medical reports can be submitted to the Commissioner for purposes of allowing him to make such a determination); and

- (b) Was a fully exempt player pursuant to one of the eligibility categories described in Article III, Section A.1(a), (c), (d), (g), or (s), or was a player in categories described in Article III, Section A.1 (e) (r), (t) or (u); (see section A.1 (i) in the season in which such player experienced an event described in paragraph 1(a)(i) or 1(a)(ii) above (the "Extension Event") and
- (c) Has notified the Commissioner in writing, no later than 30 days following the occurrence of the Extension Event which forms the basis of the request for the Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension, that he desires to take advantage of the Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension.

**NOTE:** Members in this category shall be ranked for eligibility purposes in the following order:

1. Positions on the previous season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List.
2. Official Points in season of extension event.
3. Reverse chronological order (most recent season zero points earned ahead of prior season zero money earned).

2. A member meeting the criteria set forth in A-1(i) of this Article III shall be permitted to play in Korn Ferry Tour tournaments as set forth below.

A member who qualifies for a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension and during the season in which his Extension event occurred was a fully exempt player in an eligibility category (Tournament Winner (a), Leading Points Winner from PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List (c), Top 75 Korn Ferry Tour Points Leader from the prior season (d), Top Finishers 2-10 PGA TOUR Americas (f), Former Fully Exempt (g) or Top 5 Points earner prior season's PGA TOUR University (s) shall be entitled to play in the number of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments (the "Available Tournaments") that equal the number of official tournaments on the schedule in the year in which the Extension Event occurred minus the number of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments in which such member played in the season in which the Extension Event occurred (the "Tournaments Played"); provided, however, that the number of Available Tournaments shall in no event exceed the number of official money tournaments for which such member was eligible remaining in the season after such Extension Event occurred.

Thereafter, if the amount of official points earned by such member in the Available Tournaments, which combined with the amount of official points earned by such member in the Tournaments Played, equals or exceeds the amount of official points earned by the member finishing in 75th place on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List for the preceding season, such member shall be entitled to a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension for the remainder of the current season.

In the event that the amount of official points earned by such member in the Available Tournaments, when combined with the amount of official points earned by such member

in the Tournaments Played equals or exceeds the amount of official points earned by the 100th place finisher on Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List for the preceding season, such member shall retain the Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension but shall be placed at the end of the Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament/Prior Season Members category, or in the Reordered Eligibility Category.

If such amount of official points does not equal or exceed the amount of official points earned by the 100th place finisher on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List for the preceding season, such member shall not be entitled to any further Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension.

3. A member shall not be entitled to any Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension if he played in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved tournaments in the season in which the Extension Event occurred.

4. A member shall be entitled to use a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension only once in his career for the same Extension Event.

5. A member shall not be entitled to a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension if one or more seasons shall have passed between the time a member has experienced an Extension Event and the time such member again is able to resume play, unless, in the case of a severe Extension Event, the Commissioner, in the exercise of his discretion, determines to permit a member to have additional time not to exceed three seasons. If in the discretion of the Commissioner and after review of medical reports and examinations, it is determined that extreme circumstances exist, an extension beyond three seasons may be granted.

6. Once a member begins play under a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension, additional time will not be extended beyond the subsequent season (i.e. – no more than one season of carryover). However, if the member playing under a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension sustains a separate Extension Event deemed to be sufficiently serious to prevent the member from competing on a regular basis in Korn Ferry Tour tournaments, additional time may be extended for a maximum of one season.

7. Once a player resumes a normal playing schedule on the Korn Ferry Tour, the number of his Available Tournaments shall be reduced by one for each PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR Americas or other Federation Tour tournament he plays when eligible for the Korn Ferry Tour event the same week.

8. A member meeting criteria set forth in Section A.1 (i) of this article III whose eligibility category at the time of the Extension event was Category A.1 (e), (r), (t) or (u) of the Article III (Next 25 Finishers and Ties, 50 Finishers Beyond 150th Place on FedExCup Points List, Next Finishers to 40 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, or Medalists & ties from 2nd Stage of Q-School) and whose Extension event occurred prior to the first reshuffle of the season applicable to the category (i.e. – 1st, 2nd or 3rd reshuffle) may gain access to events via this category A.1 (i) in the season in which the Extension event occurred should he have recovered from the injury or family crisis. In such cases, the player will be temporarily eligible for this category A.1 (i) for a number of tournaments equal to the number of events left following the last tournament the player played up to and including the reshuffle

applicable to categories A.1, (e), (r), (t) or (u) respectively (1st, 2nd or 3rd reshuffle). Any tournaments played via this temporary eligibility will be counted as Tournaments Played for the purposes listed in this section A.1 (i). Thereafter, the player will cease to have access via this category A.1 (i) in the season in which the Extension event occurred.

9. A member meeting criteria set for the in Section A.1 (i) of the Article III whose eligibility category at the time of the Extension event was Category A.1 (e), (t), or (u) (Next 25 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Next 40 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, and Medalist and ties from Second Stage of Q-School) or Category A. 1 (r) (50 Finishers Beyond 150th Place on FedExCup Points List) and whose Extension event occurred prior to the first reshuffle of the season applicable to the category (i.e. – the 1st, 2nd or 3rd reshuffle) may gain access to events via this category A.1 (i) in the season in which he resumes play for a number of tournaments equal to the number of events left following the last tournament the player played up to and including the reshuffle applicable to the category. However, in no event will this number exceed the number of Available Tournaments. Thereafter, the player will cease to have access via this category A.1 (i) and will be placed in the periodic reordering of players based on the amount of official points earned by such member in the Available Tournaments in the season the player resumes play, when combined with the amount of official points earned by such member in the Tournaments Played in the season of the Extension Event. In an instance that a player whose eligibility category at the time of the Extension event was Category A.1 (e), (t) or (u) (Next 25 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Next 40 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, and Medalist and ties from Second Stage of Q-School) or Category A. 1 (r) (50 Finishers Beyond 150th Place of FedEx Cup Points List) has earned no combined money as of his last event eligible, he will be placed last in the periodic reordering of players with zero dollars for the remainder of his Available Tournaments, subject to reshuffle. However, actual access shall be on a space available basis and there will be no carry-over of access into any subsequent season.

**(j) Top Finishers of the DP World Tour / Top Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament**

If not eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event in the same week and if not otherwise exempt under Sections A.1(a)-(i) of this Article III, the Top 10 finishers on the previous season's Race to Dubai Ranking that are not otherwise exempt within the Top 125 categories or above and the Top 5 finishers and ties from the prior season's PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, in the same order in which such players are eligible for PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) events.

**NOTE:** In the event an unusually high number of such players commits to an event, the following steps will be taken to accommodate exempt players:

- a. If available daylight permits, at the discretion of the Chief Referee, the field size will be expanded beyond 144 as necessary, up to a maximum of 156.
- b. Open qualifying spots will be reduced by up to four (4) spots. However, in no case shall the open qualifying category be reduced to fewer than four (4) players.

- c. If at the 5:00 pm Friday deadline, the field size is finalized at more than 144 in order to accommodate all exempt players, then withdrawals will not be replaced until the field size drops below 144.

(k) **Open Qualifying**

A minimum of eight (8) low scorers at open qualifying for each open cosponsored event held in accordance with applicable Korn Ferry Tour policies and procedures. Such open qualifying shall normally be held on Monday of tournament week and shall be open to all amateurs with USGA handicaps of 2 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 Friday preceding the tournament. Pursuant to Section A.1(j) of this Article III, the number of open qualifying spots may be reduced from eight (8) to a minimum of four (4).

PGA sections conducting the open qualifying competitions will be required to conduct them at a site other than the tournament site.

**NOTE:** Korn Ferry Tour or PGA TOUR members who have not committed to the tournament by the commitment deadline may enter open qualifying, provided they have entered open qualifying by the required deadline, which currently is 5 p.m. local time the Friday preceding open qualifying.

(l) **Sponsor Exemptions**

On invitation of the tournament sponsor, a maximum of four (4) players, including amateurs with USGA handicaps of zero or less, provided that not less than two of such sponsor exemptions shall be Korn Ferry Tour or PGA TOUR members not otherwise exempt for the event.

All players are limited to a maximum of four (4) tournament sponsor exemptions per season.

Further, on the invitation of the umbrella sponsor, Korn Ferry, a maximum of one (1) player, including amateurs with USGA handicaps of zero 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 of 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 Tournament Director, 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 IV. 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.

**(m) Top 10 or Top 25 from Previous Event**

For tournaments with a starting field of less than 156 players, if not otherwise exempt under Sections A.1(a)-(j) of this Article III, the top 10 finishing players (including amateurs) and those tied for 10th place in the order of finish in the immediately preceding Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season event awarding official points (excluding cosanctioned events) and on a space-available basis (i.e., such number as shall be needed to fill the field).

For tournaments with a starting field of 156 players or more, if not otherwise exempt under Sections A.1(a)-(j) of this Article III, the top 25 finishing players (including amateurs) and those tied for 25th place in the order of finish in the immediately preceding Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season event awarding official points (excluding cosanctioned 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 10 or 25, and working backward. Any player finishing in the top 10 or 25 or tied for 10th or 25th shall follow the commitment procedures so prescribed in Section A-2 of Article IV.

Any player finishing Top 10 or 25 and those tied for 10th or 25th place not able to gain entry into the next open tournament awarding official victory status due to full field shall be exempt into the next succeeding open tournament awarding official victory status in which there is sufficient space in the field, unless otherwise exempt into such open tournament.

**NOTE:** Those players in the top 10 or 25 and tied for 10th or 25th place in the last open Korn Ferry Tour event and the Korn Ferry Tour Championship of any season shall not be exempt pursuant to this Section A.1(m).

**NOTE:** Amateurs that finish in the top 10 or 25 plus ties may utilize this eligibility even if they turn professional for the next event.

(n) **Korn Ferry Tour Members within Top-25 on Official Points List at Periodic Reordering**

If needed to fill the field, Korn Ferry Tour members accessing tournaments via categories A. 1 (o) (PGA TOUR Members Not Exempt for Current PGA TOUR Event) and below who are within the top 25 positions of the official Korn Ferry Tour Points List, as of the last periodic reordering of players.

(o) **PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Members Not Exempt for Current PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Event**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) members who are not eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event occurring simultaneously with the Korn Ferry Tour event, and who are eligible for PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) open and invitational events in accordance with Sections A.1(a)-(k) of Article III of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Tournament Regulations, in the order of their eligibility for PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) open events.

**NOTE:** An exempt member of PGA TOUR (i.e., a player eligible for events from categories a. through j., or down through the Top Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament category of Article III, Section A-1 of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations), may commit for and participate in events on the Korn Ferry Tour provided that (i) he is not exempt for the PGA TOUR event scheduled for the same week; or (ii) he has obtained a Conflicting Event Release.

PGA TOUR members eligible for PGA TOUR events from categories n. through t. (i.e., from the 126 to 150 category on down) of Article III, Section A-1 of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations, who have space available access to the Korn Ferry Tour, are not required to obtain a Conflicting Event Release to play in a Korn Ferry Tour tournament.

(p) **Three-Time Winners from the Current Season's PGA TOUR Americas**

If needed to fill the field, those players who win three events awarding official victory status in the current season on PGA TOUR Americas in chronological order of their win.

(q) **Finishers 2-10 from the PGA TOUR University Ranking List**

If needed to fill the field, the top-10 finishers from the current season's Final Official PGA TOUR University Ranking List.

(r) **50 Finishers Beyond 150th Place on FedExCup Fall Points List (151-200)**

If needed to fill the field, the next 50 finishers after 150th place on the previous season's FedExCup Fall Points List, provided that such finishers have become regular members of the Korn Ferry Tour within the time prescribed by PGA TOUR.

**NOTE:** Any player, including non-members of the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour, with non-member FedExCup points greater than or equal to 200th position on the Official FedExCup Fall Points List may utilize this category for Korn Ferry Tour eligibility. Such player's position in this category shall be determined by his position on the Official FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List as if he were included on such list.

**NOTE:** After the completion of approximately every fourth cosponsored event of the season, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and be published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Regular Season, provided however that the specific dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (y) and all players in this category (r), (i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), 76-100/Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Non-exempt Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members). All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

(s) **Top-3 Finishers from the Prior Season's PGA TOUR University Ranking List**

If needed to fill the field, of those players who finished 2-25 and ties on the prior season's Final Official PGA TOUR University Ranking List, the Top-3 finishers and ties in order of their combined point total in events played on the PGA TOUR and the Korn Ferry Tour in the previous season.

NOTE: This exemption will move to Top-5 finishers for the 2026 season.

(t) **Next Finishers to 40 and Ties from the Qualifying Tournament**

If needed to fill the field, players from the previous season's PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament finishing in the next fortieth and ties positions after those finishers finishing in the next twenty-five and ties after those players gaining access to PGA TOUR tournaments pursuant to Article III, Section A1(j) of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations (i.e. 1-5 and ties)

**NOTE:** Players who are under the age of 18, amateurs, and players who choose not to become members will be included when determining the next forty finishers and ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.

**NOTE:** After the completion of the second reshuffle and approximately every fourth event afterwards, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the Season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Season, provided however that the specific

dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (r), (t), or (u) and below, (i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, Next Finishers to 40 and Ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Medalist and Ties from 2nd Stage Qualifying Tournament sites, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), Leading three finishers Segment II/Leading 2 Finishers Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, Prior Season Members 76-100/Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Non-exempt Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members). All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

**(u) Medalist and ties from Second Stage Sites of the Qualifying Tournament**

If needed to fill the field, Medalist and ties from Second Stage Sites from the previous season's PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.

**NOTE:** After the completion of the second reshuffle and approximately every fourth event afterwards, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the Season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Season, provided however that the specific dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (r), (t), or (u) and below, i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, Next Finishers to 40 and Ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Medalist and Ties from 2nd Stage Qualifying Tournament sites, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), Leading three finishers Segment II/Leading 2 Finishers Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, Prior Season Members 76-100/Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Non-exempt Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members. All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

**(v) Intermediate Special Medical/Family Crisis**

If needed to fill the field, a member meeting the criteria set forth in Section A. 1 (i) of this Article III whose eligibility category at the time of the Extension event was Category A. 1 (e), (t) or (u) (Next 25 and ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Next Finishers to 40 and ties PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Medalist and ties from Second Stage of PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament), or Category A. 1 (r) 50 Finishers Beyond 150th Place on FedExCup Fall Points List, and whose extension event occurred after the first reshuffle of the season applicable to his category (i.e. – 1st, 2nd or 3rd reshuffle) may gain access to events via this category. The maximum number of tournaments in which a member shall be eligible to participate under the category Intermediate Special Medical/Family Crisis shall be determined in accordance with the provisions of Section A. 1 (i) of the Article III, as applicable to the specific member. However, actual access shall be on



a space-available basis and there shall be no carry-over of access into any subsequent season.

**(w) PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Tournament Winners, and Veteran Members Not Within The Top 150 on the prior season's FedExCup Fall Points List (Previous Season's Korn Ferry Tour Top-100 or Final Stage of PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament)**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR Past Champion Members (as defined in Section A1.q of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations), Team Tournament Winners (as defined in Section A1.(s) of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations), and Veteran Members (as defined in Section A1.(t) of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations) not within the top 150 on the previous season's FedExCup Points List who finished among the top 100 points leaders on the previous season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List or who qualified for Final Stage of the previous season's PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, in order of their combined PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour official earnings in the previous season.

**(x) Past Champions of Korn Ferry Tour**

If needed to fill the field, winners of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored events, whose victories are considered official, within three seasons prior to the current season. Players in this category shall be ranked in order of the most Korn Ferry Tour tournaments won, with ties for the same number of wins broken by placing the most recent tournament winner first.

**(y) Leading Three Finishers from Segment II PGA TOUR Americas  
Leading Two Finishers from Segment I PGA TOUR Americas**

If needed to fill the field, players who finished in positions 1-3 on the Previous Season's Segment II PGA TOUR Americas Points List and players who finished in positions 1-2 on the Previous Season's Segment I PGA TOUR Americas Points List, in alternating order as follows: #1 Segment II PGA TOUR Americas, #1 Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, #2 Segment II PGA TOUR Americas, #2 Segment I PGA TOUR Americas, #3 Segment II PGA TOUR Americas.

**NOTE:** If a player is elevated to a higher eligibility category, his position shall not be replaced, and the order will continue with the next currently ordered player.

**NOTE:** After the completion of approximately every fourth cosponsored event of the season, the list of members in this category shall be reordered, based on the amount of official Korn Ferry Tour points earned to that point in the season. The dates of such reordering will be determined in advance of the season and be published in these Tournament Regulations. Such dates will be identified such that there are no less than four (4) reshuffles that occur during the Regular Season, provided however that the specific dates of certain reshuffles may be adjusted to coincide with appropriate breaks in the schedule. Such reordering shall also include all players in category (r) and all players below this category (y), i.e., 50 Finishers Beyond 150th place on prior season's FedExCup Points List, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners and Veteran Members beyond 150th place on PGA TOUR Points List, Past Champions of the Korn Ferry Tour (Year 3&4), 76-100/additional finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament, Non-exempt

Special Members/Medical, PGA TOUR Past Champions, Special Temporary Members, Past Champion Members and Veteran Members. All players in these categories shall remain subject to reordering unless such player wins a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event.

(z) **Prior Season Korn Ferry Tour Members 76-100  
Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament**

If needed to fill the field, those players who finished 76 through 100 on the prior season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List and the next available members after Finishers to 40 and Ties from the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament [Article III, Section A.1.(t)] in alternating order as follows:

#76 KFT Points List  
#46 PGAT Q-School  
#77 KFT Points List  
#47 PGAT Q-School  
#78 KFT Points List  
#48 PGAT Q-School  
etc...

**NOTE:** If a player is elevated to a higher eligibility category, his position shall not be replaced and the order will continue with the next currently ordered player: Example: If player #76 KFT Points List elevates, then the order is #46 PGA TOUR Q-School, #77 KFT Points List, #47 PGA TOUR Q-School, etc.

(aa) **PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Tournament Winners, and Veteran Members Not Within the Top 150 on FedExCup Fall Playoffs and Eligibility Points List**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR Past Champion Members (as defined in Section A.1.(q) of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations), Team Tournament Winners (as defined in Section A.1.(s) of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations) and Veteran Members (as defined in Section A.1.(t) of Article III of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations) not within the top 150 on the previous season's FedExCup Fall Points List, in order of their combined PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour earnings in the previous season.

(bb) **Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension**

If not otherwise exempt under section a.1(w), (x), (y), (z), or (aa) of this Article III and if needed to fill the field, a member who meets the requirements in (a) through (c) below shall be entitled to a Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension and shall be exempted into Korn Ferry Tour tournaments prior to those players meeting the requirements of Section A.1(bb) of Article III.

(a) (i) At the discretion of the Commissioner and after a review of such medical reports and examinations as the Commissioner deems appropriate, a member has experienced an injury or other medical disability sufficiently serious to prevent such member from competing in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR

cosponsored or approved events in the season in which his injury or medical disability occurred; or

(ii) At the discretion of the Commissioner and after a review of medical reports and examinations and any other information the Commissioner deems appropriate, a member's spouse or child has experienced a medical condition or other disability that prevents the member from competing on a regular basis in PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour events for a minimum of two months from the date of the spouse or child's medical condition or other disability and in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR cosponsored events in the season in which the spouse or child's medical condition or other disability occurred. (**NOTE:** If a spouse or child's medical condition or other disability is considered initially not serious enough to prevent the member from competing for a minimum of two months but later proves to be, additional medical reports can be submitted to the Commissioner for purposes of allowing him to make such a determination.) and

(b) Was a nonexempt player pursuant to one of the eligibility categories described in Article III, Section A.1(w), (x), (y), (z), or (aa) in the season in which such player experienced an event described in paragraph (a)(i) or (ii) above (the "Extension Event") and

(c) Has notified the Commissioner in writing, no later than 30 days following the occurrence of the Extension Event which forms the basis of the request for the Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension, that he desires to take advantage of Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension.

(d) A member meeting the criteria set forth in A-1 (bb) of this Article III shall be permitted to play in the Korn Ferry Tour tournaments as set forth below.

(i) A member who qualifies for a Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension and during the season in which his Extension Event occurred was a nonexempt member pursuant to one of the eligibility categories described in Article III, Section A.1 (w), (x), (y), (z), or (aa) shall be entitled to play in the number of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments (the "Available Tournaments") that equal the average number of official tournaments played by the membership of that nonexempt category in which he started the season minus the number of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments in which such member played in the season in which his Extension Event occurred (the "Tournaments Played"); provided, however, that the number of Available Tournaments shall in no event exceed the number of official money tournaments for which such member was eligible remaining in the season in which such Extension occurred. Actual access shall be on a space available basis, and there shall be no carryover of access into any subsequent season.

(ii) In the event that the amount of official points earned by such member in the Available Tournaments, when combined with the amount of official points earned by such member in the Tournaments Played ("Combined Points") equals or exceeds the amount of points earned by the 100th place finisher on Official

Korn Ferry Tour Regular Tour Points List for the preceding season, such member shall remain eligible at the end of the Additional Finishers from Korn Ferry Tour Qualifying Tournament/Prior Season Members category or in the Reordered Eligibility category.

**NOTE:** If a member's Combined points equals or exceeds 75th place on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season Points List for the preceding season, such member shall be placed in the Top 75 Points Leaders category for the remainder of the season.

A member shall not be entitled to any Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension if he played in more than 12 combined Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR cosponsored or approved tournaments in the season in which his Extension Event occurred.

A member shall be entitled to use a Nonexempt Special Medical / Family Crisis Extension only once in his career for the same Extension Event.

**(cc) Past Champions of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR)**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) members in category (q) of Article III, Section A.1 (i.e., Past Champions) of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Tournament Regulations, even if eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event occurring simultaneously with the Korn Ferry Tour event, in order of the total number of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) cosponsored and approved tournaments won, excluding team or other events not conferring official victory status. If two (2) or more players are tied based on the number of such tournaments won, the player who is higher on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List shall have priority.

To be eligible for tournament play via this eligibility category, a player must have:

- Played in the PGA TOUR or PGA TOUR Champions Qualifying Tournament within the previous two seasons, or,
- Made a cut on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour during the current season or within the last two seasons, or,
- Played five or more combined events on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions during the current season or in the preceding season.

**(dd) Special Temporary Members of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR)**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Special Temporary Members as provided in Section A.1(r) of Article III of the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Tournament Regulations, even if eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event occurring simultaneously with the Korn Ferry Tour event, in the order in which such players have qualified for such Special Temporary Membership in PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR).

**(ee) PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Team Tournament Winners**

If needed to fill the field, winners of PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) cosponsored team tournaments as provided in Section A.1(s) of Article III of the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR)

Tournament Regulations, even if eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event occurring simultaneously with the Korn Ferry Tour event, in the order of total number of team tournaments won. If two (2) or more players are tied based on the number of team tournaments won, the player who is higher on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List shall have priority.

To be eligible for tournament play via this eligibility category, a player must have:

- Played in the PGA TOUR or PGA TOUR Champions Qualifying Tournament within the previous two seasons, or,
- Made a cut on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour during the current season or within the last two seasons, or,
- Played five or more combined events on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions during the current season or in the preceding season.

**(ff) PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Veteran Members**

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Veteran Members as provided in Section A.1(t) of Article III of the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) Tournament Regulations, even if eligible for the PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event occurring simultaneously with the Korn Ferry Tour event, in the order of their position on the Official PGA TOUR Career Money List.

To be eligible for tournament play via this eligibility category, a player must have:

- Played in the PGA TOUR or PGA TOUR Champions Qualifying Tournament within the previous two seasons, or,
- Made a cut on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour during the current season or within the last two seasons, or,
- Played five or more combined events on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions during the current season or in the preceding season.

**(gg) Special Temporary Members of the Korn Ferry Tour**

If needed to fill the field, players who have met the conditions prescribed in Section 2(c) of this Article III and paid annual dues to PGA TOUR, in the order in which such players qualified for this membership.

**(hh) Past Champions of Korn Ferry Tour**

If needed to fill the field, winners of Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored events not included within Section A.1(x), whose victories are considered official, in the last nine seasons prior to the current season. Players in this category shall be ranked in order of most Korn Ferry Tour tournaments won, with ties for the same number of wins broken by placing the most recent tournament winner first. To be eligible for this eligibility category, a player must have:

- Played in the PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry or PGA TOUR Champions Qualifying Tournament within the previous two seasons, or,
- Made a cut on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour during the current season or within the last two seasons, or
- Played five or more combined events on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions during the current season or in the preceding season.

(ii) **Veteran Members of the Korn Ferry Tour**

If not otherwise eligible and if needed to fill the field, Veteran Members (members that have made 150 combined cuts in tournaments on the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour that awarded official money) in order of their number of combined cuts. To be eligible for this eligibility category, a player must have:

- Played in the PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry or PGA TOUR Champions Qualifying Tournament within the previous two seasons, or,
- Made a cut on the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour during the current season or within the last two seasons, or
- Played five or more combined events on the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions during the current season or in the preceding season.

(jj) **Additional Open Qualifiers**

If needed to fill the field to 144 players (or, to the number of players in the starting field if the starting field is less than 144 players), additional qualifiers from open qualifying, in the order of finish in such open qualifying.

## 2. Qualifying

(a) **PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament presented by Korn Ferry Tour**

The PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament may consist of first and second stage qualifying, in addition to the Final Qualifying competition. A Korn Ferry Tour member may enter the Qualifying Tournament and continue to participate in Korn Ferry Tour events. Applicants for the 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 or Korn Ferry Tour membership, to attend classroom instruction in subjects pertaining to professional golf.

**NOTE:** In accordance with Article IX, Section A of these Regulations, a player must be 18 years of age or older to be eligible for membership. Notwithstanding this age limit, a player under the age of 18 may enter the Qualifying Tournament, provided he turns 18 on or before the first scheduled round of the final regular season open official money Korn Ferry Tour tournament of the following season. Such player would not become eligible for Korn Ferry Tour membership until his 18th birthday. Until his 18th birthday, such player may participate in Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored or approved events as a non-member.

(b) **Medical Provisions**

A Korn Ferry Tour member who has been prevented by injury or illness or other disability from playing in one (1) or more Korn Ferry Tour events and who meets the following guidelines shall be eligible to request in writing to the Commissioner an exemption into either the final stage or the second stage of the PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry.

- a. **Final Stage:** The member has been disabled to the extent he is unable to compete in more than 12 events in a regular season but has played in a minimum of five (5) Korn Ferry Tour events that season; has performed at a level which placed him 21st–50th on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List at the time he was disabled; or who has average points per event at the time he was disabled which would have placed him 21st–50th on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List for the entire season (determined by multiplying such average points by the average number of Korn Ferry Tour events played by all Korn Ferry Tour members).
- b. **Second Stage:** The member has been disabled to the extent he is unable to compete in more than 12 events in a regular season but has played in a minimum of five (5) Korn Ferry Tour events that season; has performed at a level which placed him 51st–75th on the Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List at the time he was disabled; or who has average points per event at the time he was disabled which would have placed him 51st–75th on the official Korn Ferry Tour Points List, for the entire season (determined by multiplying such average points by the average number of Korn Ferry Tour events played by all Korn Ferry Tour members).

(c) **Non-member Qualifying**

If a non-member of the Korn Ferry Tour who is a professional wins a cosponsored event, then he shall be eligible to compete in Korn Ferry Tour events as provided in Section A.1(a) of this Article III, provided that he joins the Korn Ferry Tour as a regular member within 60 days after his win. If a non-member of the Korn Ferry Tour who is an amateur wins a cosponsored event, then he shall be eligible to compete in Korn Ferry Tour events as provided in Section A.1(a) of this Article III as an amateur or he may join the Korn Ferry Tour as a regular member at anytime during the season in which the win occurred.

If during the course of a Korn Ferry Tour season a non-member of the Korn Ferry Tour earns an amount of points (e.g., by playing in Korn Ferry Tour events through sponsor exemptions, open qualifying, sectional qualifying, etc.), equal to or greater than the amount won in the 2024 season by the 100th finisher on the final Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List, then such player will become eligible to become a Special Temporary Member of the Korn Ferry Tour for the remainder of the season, provided that he joins the Korn Ferry Tour in such category within 60 days after becoming eligible. Upon payment of annual dues, such player shall be eligible for an unlimited number of sponsor exemptions for the remainder of the season, and shall be eligible for tournaments as specified in Section A.1(hh) of this Article III.

## **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 signed an entry form as prescribed in Section B.1 of Article IV of these Regulations, and he has paid the required entry fee, if applicable the amount of which shall be set from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

### **2. Korn Ferry Tour Dues**

Every regular member of the Korn Ferry Tour shall pay annual dues of \$100 (or \$150 for combined PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour annual dues), 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, Korn Ferry Inc. and such other affiliated entities as shall be designated from time to time by the PGA TOUR Policy Board, shall be named as 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, non-members of the Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Chief Referee determines, in his discretion, the field size 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 Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event must commit to such event in accordance with the terms of this Subsection A.2. Advance commitments by players shall be made either by 800-number telephone service to PGA TOUR Headquarters during business hours Monday through Friday (i.e., 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Jacksonville, FL time) except for legal holidays, or by committing electronically via the player website. On-site commitments may be made at the tournament site within 30 minutes after the completion of play on Friday of the week preceding the tournament.

While advance commitments may be made at any time, the deadline for all players to commit to Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored events shall be 5 p.m. (Eastern Time). A member may also commit to an event by telephone or in person to an on-site Korn Ferry Tour media official or rules official one-half hour after the conclusion of play, whichever is later, on Friday of the week prior to the tournament. In addition any player, that becomes eligible for a Korn Ferry Tour event by reason of finishing in the top 10 or top 25 of the previous event [see Article III, Section A.1(n)] and the winner of the previous week's event may commit for the next event by notifying the Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee on site at the event where such person won or finished in the top 10 or top 25 within 30 minutes after the conclusion of such event.

**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:** At unofficial tournaments only, the sponsor may utilize "unrestricted" sponsor exemptions on any member or nonmember, regardless of his commitment status

A player, including alternates who are eligible to practice on the tournament course, 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 Korn Ferry Tour tournament official on-site by 5 p.m. local time, or to PGA TOUR headquarters by 5 p.m. Eastern 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 official tournament round shall be ineligible to participate in the tournament unless satisfactory evidence of mitigating circumstances has been provided to the Chief Referee.

**NOTE:** A dual-committed player may play in the Korn Ferry Tour pro-am while remaining an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR event. However, a player must complete his pro-am round prior to accepting a place in the starting field of that week's PGA TOUR event.

## 3. Groupings

Groupings in Korn Ferry Tour 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 PGA TOUR, current Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Winners, Leading Points Winner PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List and Three-Time Winners from Previous Season's PGA TOUR Americas, Top 75 Points Leaders from the Korn Ferry Tour Points List, Special Medical (Exempt), those players with combined PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour official career earnings of more than \$750,000 and Korn Ferry Tour members within the Top-25 on the Official Points List after the 2nd and 4th reshuffles, excluding open qualifiers and sponsor exemptions. One player, on a weekly basis, not otherwise eligible for this category.
- (b) Players from Prior Season Qualifying Tournament through Next 40 & ties, 2-10 and Ties Prior Season's PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List, Three-Time Winners from Current Season's PGA TOUR Americas, Top 5 Finishers Prior Season PGA TOUR University Combined Points List, Players 1-10 on PGA TOUR University Ranking List, Medlists & Ties from Second Stage Qualifying Tournament and conditional Korn Ferry Tour members.
- (c) All others including Open Qualifiers, Sponsor Exemptions (including PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour members).

**NOTE:** A player(s), on a weekly basis, may be moved into a different groupings category for television or otherwise, as approved by the Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee.

Groupings for the final round 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, as listed on the Korn Ferry Tour's official scoreboard, 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), the starting field in a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournament shall be reduced to the 65 players (including amateurs) having the lowest scores at the conclusion of 36 holes of tournament play, including any players tied for 65th place, plus amateurs with scores not higher than that of the 65th professional.

In the event of a postponement or cancellation of any of the first three rounds, the Chief Referee in his discretion may schedule the final 36 holes to be played in one day. If he schedules the final 36 holes in one day, he will reduce (cut) the field to the score which has the closest number of players (including amateurs) to the 60th position. Should there be an equal number at different scores at equal intervals above and below 60th position, the higher score shall be used. In the event of any such reduction (cut), professionals eliminated who otherwise would have played in the final 36 holes shall receive their appropriate share of the prize money in accordance with their respective positions.

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 (i.e. Top 10 or Top 25, becomes part of the eligible field, etc.) will be replaced by the highest ranking alternate on the applicable alternate list (i.e. 48 & 49 Category alternate list, PGA TOUR University alternate list etc.). 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 (including one receiving a restricted sponsor exemption) 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 Korn Ferry Tour alternate list, except that a player who withdraws, is disqualified or is elevated to a higher eligibility category and is an unrestricted sponsor exemption may be replaced, at the discretion of the sponsor, by another sponsor exemption prior to 12:00 noon two days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Tuesday), provided that the player either committed to the tournament in advance of the commitment deadline, is 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, or is a non-member. Unrestricted sponsor exemptions revert to the Korn Ferry Tour alternate list after 12:00 noon two days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Tuesday).

Restricted sponsor exemptions must be named by 12:00 noon three days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Monday). Unrestricted sponsor exemptions must be named by 12:00 noon two days preceding the first scheduled day of the tournament (usually Tuesday).

**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:** When the tournament begins on a Wednesday instead of Thursday (i.e. LECOM Suncoast Classic), the deadline above shall be extended to 12:00 noon on the second day preceding the first scheduled round of official tournament competition (usually Monday).

**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.

**NOTE:** It is an alternate's responsibility to know his position on the Korn Ferry Tour 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.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section A.6 of this Article IV, any PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) member who is within the starting field of a Korn Ferry Tour event and is also an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters or the Korn Ferry Tour official at the site of the Korn Ferry Tour event by no later than 5 p.m. Eastern Time on the day preceding the first scheduled day of official tournament competition (usually Wednesday) of his intent to play in the Korn Ferry Tour event. If such player notifies PGA TOUR Headquarters or the Korn Ferry Tour official at the Korn Ferry Tour site that he intends to play in the Korn Ferry Tour event (or if such player fails to give such notification), such player shall cease to be an alternate in that week's PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event and shall not thereafter withdraw from the Korn Ferry Tour event for purposes of playing in that week's PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) event.

PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) members in categories (k) through (t) (i.e., the 126 to 150 category and below) of Article III, Section A-1 of the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations, are eligible for and may commit to both PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour events scheduled for the same week. If any such player is in the field of both events, he shall notify PGA TOUR Headquarters of his intention to play either the PGA TOUR 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 PGA TOUR tournament field (provided he is still eligible).

If by 3 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the Monday the player is eligible for both events, he is required to declare himself to one event and to withdraw from the other. If he has been "bumped" from either field, he may elect to remain an alternate for the field from which he was bumped, or he may declare himself in the other field and withdraw from the event for which he is now an alternate. If the player, as of the 3 p.m. Monday deadline, is an alternate for the PGA TOUR event, he may remain in the field for the Korn Ferry Tour event and determine his final status by the existing 5 p.m. Wednesday deadline as provided above.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this Section A-6 of this Article IV, any PGA TOUR Champions member who is within the starting field of a Korn Ferry Tour event and is also an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR Champions event must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters or the Korn Ferry Tour event by no later than 5 p.m. (Eastern Time) on the day preceding the first scheduled day of tournament competition (usually Wednesday) of his intent to play in the Korn Ferry Tour event. If such player notifies PGA TOUR Headquarters or the Korn Ferry Tour official at the Korn Ferry Tour site that he intends to play in the Korn Ferry Tour event (or if such player fails to give such notification), such player shall cease to be an alternate

for that week's PGA TOUR Champions event and shall not thereafter withdraw from the Korn Ferry Tour event for purposes of playing in that week's PGA TOUR Champions event.

**NOTE:** If a PGA TOUR Champions member is in the field of both the PGA TOUR Champions and Korn Ferry Tour event he must notify PGA TOUR Headquarters by 3 p.m. Eastern Time on the third day preceding the first scheduled day of official tournament competition (usually Monday) of which event he intends to play. Failure to notify PGA TOUR of his intention will cause the player to be placed in the PGA TOUR Champions field and removed from the Korn Ferry Tour field.

## **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. The pro-am shall be played in groups no larger than five (5); each group must include at least one (1) professional.

A tournament hosting an official Pro-Am shall utilize a starting time structure in which one or two waves and one or two tees (i.e., 1st and 10th) are utilized at the direction of the Chief Referee. In conjunction, the format shall be coordinated such that one professional plays the first nine holes and a second professional plays the second nine holes (commonly referred to as a '9&9' format). Professionals will have the option to request 18 holes (up until the tournament's commitment deadline) until all of the first nine-hole positions are filled.

The host organization of any cosponsored tournament may submit a special request to employ a structure and/or format that differs from those outlined above. Any such request must be received in writing and approved prior to Tournament Week by the PGA TOUR. The PGA TOUR, in its sole discretion, reserves the right to deny such requests.

**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 30 teams will be permitted for such pro-ams.

Amateur players shall be selected or approved by the host organization. Amateurs shall have up-to-date handicaps computed under the USGA 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).

At the option of the host organization, women amateur players may play from the forward teeing grounds, except where the Chief Referee determines that use of such teeing grounds would be inadvisable (e.g., due to roping problems). Where forward tees are not used, women amateur players shall receive six (6) additional strokes added to their handicap (with a maximum of 27 strokes) and shall play from the same teeing grounds as used by the amateur men.

In any pro-am, the number of teams shall be limited to 52 professional players or 104 professional players if using the 9 & 9 format, and two (2), three (3) or four (4) amateur partners, except that pro-ams using shotgun starts shall be limited to 54 such teams. The number of pro-am teams may be reduced by the Korn Ferry Tour 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 or less than 104 if using the 9 & 9 format, the Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee shall determine which professionals are eligible to compete, based upon operating procedures and policies which will be distributed to Korn Ferry Tour members.

**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 Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee.

The professionals eligible for the pro-am shall be determined as follows and in the following order of priority:

- (a) If available, the tournament winner from the previous season.
- (b) The tournament winner from the previous week.
- (c) The top available Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR members from the current season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Playoffs and Eligibility 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) above shall be 44 professionals or 96 when using the 9 & 9 format, except that in pro-ams that use a shotgun start and have a field of 54 teams, the sum of players eligible for the pro-am from these three categories (a), (b) and (c) shall be 46 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 Official Korn Ferry Tour 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) Korn Ferry Tour tournament winners from the previous season.
- (b) Leading Points Winners & 3x Winners from prior season's PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List.
- (c) The Top 75 Points Leaders from the prior season's Korn Ferry Tour Points List
- (d) Additional Korn Ferry Tour members: Players from those eligible for the tournament pursuant to Section A.1(e through u) of Article III (i.e. Next 25 and Ties, 2-10 Prior

Season PGA TOUR Americas, Next Finishers to 40 and Ties from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament through Medalists and Ties from 2nd Stage of Q-School).

**NOTE:** The sum of players eligible for the pro-am from these four categories (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be 44 professionals or 96 when using the 9 & 9 format, except that in pro-ams that use a shotgun start and have a field of 54 teams, the sum of players eligible for the pro-am from these four categories (a), (b), (c) and (d) shall be 46 players.

(e) 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 Korn Ferry Tour Points List.

**NOTE:** At the beginning of each season, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR members will be given the opportunity to select their pro-am starting time preference. Pro-am starting time preference shall be given to players in the order of their standing on the current season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List as of the commitment deadline for that event. For events in which there is no official points list as of the respective commitment deadline (i.e. early season tournaments), pro-am starting time preference shall be given to players in the same order for which they are eligible for the official competition.

**NOTE:** Pro-am alternates are Korn Ferry Tour or PGA TOUR members entered in the tournament who are not among those assigned a starting time in the Pro-Am, and are listed in order of their position on the current season's Korn Ferry Tour Points List, (16 for the 9&9 format; 12 for 9&9 format at tournaments with a field of 120 or less and at multi-course Pro-Ams, and 10 for all others).

For events in which there is no official points list as of the respective commitment deadline (i.e. early season tournaments), the Pro-Am alternate list shall be given to players in the same order for which they are eligible for the official competition.

A professional who withdraws or is excused from the pro-am prior to 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) the day preceding the pro-am shall be replaced by the highest ranked pro-am alternate, except that a professional who is in the pro-am as a sponsor's exemption may be replaced by another sponsor's exemption. If the host organization elects not to choose another professional, the highest ranked pro-am alternate shall replace the withdrawal.

A professional, including sponsor's exemptions for the pro-am who withdraws or is excused from the pro-am after 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) the day preceding the pro-am, shall be replaced by the highest ranked alternate from the applicable morning or afternoon pro-am alternate list.

Further, at the discretion of the Office of the Commissioner, a player may be excused from the pro-am or tournament sponsor function due to a serious personal emergency, such as the funeral or serious illness of a family member or close personal friend. In the case of emergency, such member may be excused without having registered on site. Further, upon being excused from the pro-am or tournament sponsor function, the player is not permitted to practice at the tournament site the day of the pro-am. It is the players' responsibility to

know his position on the pro-am alternate list as of 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) the day preceding the Pro-am.

If a pro-am afternoon starting time withdrawal occurs and the next applicable pro-am alternate is a morning designated player, that player shall have the option to replace the afternoon pro-am withdrawal, provided he has informed the Rules Committee of his desire to play by 12 noon (local time at the tournament site) the day preceding the pro-am

**NOTE:** Professionals playing in the pro-am in the current season's Official Korn Ferry Tour Points List category, who are required to play in all pro-ams, may be excused at the discretion of Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee once per season. A player wishing to be excused from the pro-am must submit his request to PGA TOUR Headquarters by 5 p.m Eastern Time Friday of the week preceding tournament week. Players will not be excused from the last event of the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season Pro-Am. If selected, either by system or Sponsor Exemption, participation is required.

**NOTE:** Those players within the top five alternate positions for the PGA TOUR event in the same week, as of 5 pm Eastern Time on the Friday preceding the week of the tournament, shall not be eligible for the Korn Ferry Tour pro-am. Further, a dual-committed player may play in the Korn Ferry Tour pro-am while remaining an alternate for that week's PGA TOUR event. However, a player must complete his pro-am round prior to accepting a place in the starting field of that week's PGA TOUR event.

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 \$500. 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 scores therein.

If, in the judgment of the Korn Ferry Tour 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 Tournament Director 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 at stroke play 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 scorecard.

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. Suspensions, 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, with the exception of the last event of the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season and all Korn Ferry Tour Finals events 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.

For the last event of the Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season and all of the Korn Ferry Tour Finals events, 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 sudden-death play-off to determine the winner).

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 cosponsored Korn Ferry Tour events.

### **1. Entry Forms**

All entry forms for cosponsored tournaments shall be prepared by PGA TOUR and furnished to the host organization not less than 30 days prior to the tournament. 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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, 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 areas 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. Play-offs**

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 play-off 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 play-off on the day of the final round.

Tournaments shall begin play-offs 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 play-off 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 play-off, 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour event, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld. "Similar golf event" means a tournament of the same type (i.e., Korn Ferry Tour event). For example, PGA TOUR shall not be prohibited under this section from holding a PGA TOUR (Regular TOUR) or PGA TOUR Champions event on the same dates as a Korn Ferry Tour event.

#### **2. Obligations of Korn Ferry Tour Members**

In any week when a PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions or Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournament is scheduled, no Korn Ferry Tour 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 or Korn Ferry Tour tournament without the prior approval of the Commissioner. Nothing in the foregoing shall preclude Korn Ferry Tour 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**

(a) The television, digital, radio, motion picture and all other media rights of all players participating in Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored and coordinated tournaments, pro-ams or any other golf event conducted in conjunction with Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored and coordinated tournament (e.g., clinics, long-drive contests), or any portion thereof, are hereby 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.

(b) No Korn Ferry Tour 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 member(s) participating in any golf program covered by this rule 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 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 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.

**NOTE: All requests for Media Releases must be submitted no less than 15 days in advance of the first official round of competition of the tournament for which such release is requested.**

## **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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour without the advance written approval of such member.
- (c) Similarly, no individual Korn Ferry Tour member, tournament sponsor or other person or entity is authorized to make any commercial use of the PGA TOUR or Korn Ferry Tour name, marks or logo with out the advance written approval of PGA TOUR.

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# **VI. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS**

Players participating in Korn Ferry Tour 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, the Korn Ferry Tour, 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 and/or the Fair Way Manual may be subject to a fine, suspension from play in Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored event in return for an invitation to the tournament as described in Section A.1(l) of Article III (i.e., a sponsor exemption).

Neither a player nor other individuals acting on a player's behalf shall promise or guarantee such a player's appearance in any Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored, approved or coordinated event conditional 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**

In order to ensure the competitive integrity of Korn Ferry Tour tournaments, a player participating in a Korn Ferry Tour tournament shall not have any financial interest, either direct or indirect, in the performance or the winnings of another player in any golf event cosponsored, coordinated, approved or otherwise sanctioned by the PGA TOUR or any other professional golf tour, including, without limitation, an unauthorized tournament, whether through purse-splitting, prize money "insurance," financial assistance, bets team membership, team/league ownership or otherwise without prior written permission of the PGA TOUR. Any member who violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be subject to immediate suspension under Article VII. Section C. Such member shall also be subject to Major Penalty under Article VII. Section E.2 of suspension from tournament play for a minimum period of two (2) seasons. Any non-member who violates the provisions of this paragraph shall be ineligible for PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour tournament play for a minimum period of two complete seasons. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Commissioner in their discretion may determine that there are aggravating or mitigating circumstances that warrants a lesser or greater penalty, as applicable.

Further, a player shall not do any of the following:

1. Players shall not gamble on the premises where a Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournament is being played.
2. Associate 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 reasonably 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 reasonably 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 Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournament, he shall be penalized as follows:

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 season.

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 RULES**

Play in all Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournaments shall be conducted in accordance with the United States Golf Association Rules of Golf, 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, managers, 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.)

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.

**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 judgement 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 any time.

Practicing shall be permitted only in areas specifically designated for 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.

**NOTE:** 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. This time will be adjusted to 7:30 a.m. for the months of May through August. When the 9&9 format is being utilized for Pro-Am events, practice rounds may begin off the 1st and 10th tees with no time restrictions off the 10th tee.

**NOTE:** Practice rounds beginning on the 10th tee must yield in all instances to Players making the turn and must not delay practice rounds at any time

On pro-am days at tournaments played from the start of each season until the Masters Tournament, professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am are permitted to practice chipping and putting on course prior to the first pro-am starting time. Full shots on course are not permitted. On pro-am days at tournaments played after the Masters Tournament until the conclusion of the season, professionals and amateurs not in the pro-am are permitted to practice all shots on course prior to the first pro-am starting time. Any practice taking place prior to the pro-am must not interfere with the pace of play of the pro-am and players shall not endanger persons preparing the golf course for the pro-am.

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 or 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 Korn Ferry Tour alternate list or other eligible players as determined by the on-site PGA TOUR Chief Referee. Qualified players and the first 10 alternates on the Korn Ferry Tour alternate list or other eligible players shall not practice with ineligible players.

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

Players in cosponsored Korn Ferry Tour 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. A caddie may enter the locker room during the week to assist the player with retrieving items 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 Korn Ferry Tour tournament starting fields shall use such locker room facilities and shall pay at player registration a minimum fee of \$20 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour, Korn Ferry, 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 E of this Article VII.

#### **B. RULES OF GOLF**

Any player who, while participating in any Korn Ferry Tour cosponsored tournament, breaches the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, 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 Korn Ferry Tour Rules Committee for the tournament with respect to such breach shall be final and conclusive.

**NOTE:** PGA TOUR pace of play rules constitute 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour has for any reason been placed on probation for an infraction of any rule of the Korn Ferry Tour, then and in that event, if at any time during the probation period that member shall violate any rule of the Korn Ferry Tour, 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. In addition, if there are credible allegations of serious criminal misconduct, violations that compromise the integrity of competition and/or the financial interest of the PGA TOUR, the Commissioner may immediately suspend a player pending the outcome of an investigation by TOUR and/or determination through an appropriate criminal or civil proceeding. Such serious criminal misconduct includes, but is not limited to, child abuse and other offenses involving minors, domestic violence, human trafficking, sexual assault, and/or any reckless conduct that results in serious mental or bodily injury to another.

A suspension imposed by the Commissioner under this Section C. is separate from any penalty under Section E. and, therefore, is not stayed during any appeal under Section E and shall remain in effect until such time the Commissioner has informed the member of the decision to revoke the suspension.

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 Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee or by the Commissioner. In the case of minor penalties, notification may be by any Korn Ferry Tour 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 \$1,000. A minor penalty may be imposed by the Chief of Operations, or his designee.

### **2. Intermediate Penalties**

An intermediate penalty is a fine of between \$1,001 and \$2,000 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 Chief of Operations, PGA TOUR or his designee.

### **3. Major Penalties**

A major penalty is a fine in excess of \$2,000, suspension from tournament play for more than three (3) tournaments and/or permanent disbarment from tournament play in Korn Ferry Tour 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 Chief of Operations 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 Chief of Operations 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, any appeal to the Commissioner may be transferred by the Commissioner to the Appeals Committee. Such appeal may include statements from others having knowledge of the facts. Failure to file such an appeal shall be deemed conclusively to be an admission of the charges specified in the notification.

Thereafter, and within 14 days of receipt of such appeal, the Commissioner shall reach a decision and shall promptly notify the player in writing of his response, specifying the reason therefor. No player who has not appealed an intermediate or major penalty to the Commissioner shall have a right of further appeal to the Appeals Committee.

An appeal shall operate to stay the effective date of any penalty, except suspension from a tournament then in progress or scheduled for the calendar week in which the alleged violation occurred, until after the final decision on the appeal. However, no appeal as set forth in this Section E.2. shall operate to stay a suspension imposed by the Commissioner on a member under Section C.

### **3. Appeals Committee**

There shall be an Appeals Committee consisting of three non-player directors designated by the Board. to serve on such committee. The Appeals Committee shall prescribe its own rules of procedure.

A player may appeal to the Appeals Committee from any decision by the Commissioner denying any initial appeal from the imposition of an intermediate or major penalty. The Appeals Committee shall also consider any appeal directed to it by the Commissioner as provided in Section E.2 of this Article VII. The appellant shall give written notice of appeal,

directed to the Appeals Committee (in care of the Commissioner), within 14 days of the notice from the Commissioner denying the player's initial appeal.

Within 14 days after giving notice of appeal to the Appeals Committee, the appellant and the Commissioner may submit to the Appeals Committee any and all written evidence, documentation, affidavits, witness statements, legal memoranda, or other materials relevant to the appeal or any penalties imposed on the appellant. The Appeals Committee will review and consider all such materials. The Appeals Committee may, in its discretion, request a member or a witness to respond to questions from the Appeals Committee.

As soon as practicable after considering the materials submitted to it, the Appeals Committee shall give the appellant and the Commissioner written notice of its decision. Upon the evidence before it, including any evidence previously submitted to the Commissioner, the Appeals Committee may affirm, modify (increase or decrease) or reverse the decision of the Commissioner. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall constitute full, final and conclusive disposition of the matter.

## **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. All other violations of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Program shall be subject to the disciplinary and appeals terms and processes set forth in PGA TOUR Anti-Doping Manual.

## **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 Korn Ferry Tour 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. 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.

## **C. 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**

This Article defines Korn Ferry Tour membership categories, including the eligibility criteria, rights and privileges for each category. Nothing herein shall be deemed to be inconsistent with or to supersede the Articles of Incorporation or By-Laws of PGA TOUR, Inc., which reserve certain voting rights and responsibilities solely to the members of the PGA TOUR Policy Board.

## **A. ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP**

The following players who are 18 years of age or older shall be eligible to become members of the Korn Ferry Tour:

### **1. Regular Members**

- (a) All players who earn access to the Final Stage of PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.
- (b) Any tournament winner of a Korn Ferry Tour event in the current or immediately preceding season as described in Section A.1(a) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (c) Leading Points Winner from the previous season's PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List and Three-Time Winners from the previous season's PGA TOUR Americas as described in Section A.1(c) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (d) Top 75 Points Leaders from the previous season's Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season as described in Section A.1(d) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (e) Former fully exempt members of the PGA TOUR as described in Section A.1(g) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (f) Top 10 Finishers from the DP World Tour prior season's Race to Dubai as described in Section A.1 (j) of PGA TOUR Regulations.
- (g) Finishers 2 through 10 from the previous season's PGA TOUR Americas Season-Long Points List as described in Section A.1(f) of Article III of the Regulations.

- (h) The 50 finishers beyond 150th place on the Official FedExCup Points List as described in Section A.1(r) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (i) Top 3 finishers prior season's PGA TOUR University Ranking List as described in Section A.1 (s) of these Regulations.
- (j) Medalist and ties from Second Stage Qualifying Tournament sites as described in Section A.1(u) of Article III of the Regulations.
- (k) Top 10 finishers from current season's PGA TOUR University Ranking as described in Section A.1(q) of Article III of the Regulations.

## **2. Temporary Members**

Any non-member of the Korn Ferry Tour (except an amateur) who qualifies to participate in a Korn Ferry Tour event shall become a temporary member of the Korn Ferry Tour for the duration of such tournament.

## **3. Special Member/Medical**

- (a) Any members who qualify for the Special Medical Extension as provided in Section A.1(i) of Article III, for so long as such member is entitled to the Special Medical Extension.
- (b) Such members shall be eligible to participate in tournaments as provided in Section A.1(i) of Article III.
- (c) Such members shall be subject to all applicable requirements and obligations of these Regulations.

## **4. Special Temporary Members**

A Special Temporary Member shall be:

- (a) Eligible to participate in tournaments to the extent provided in Section A.1(gg) of Article III.
- (b) Subject to all applicable requirements and obligations of these Regulations.

## **5. Past Champion Members**

Players who won events two through nine seasons prior to the current season. Such players shall be:

- (a) Eligible to participate in tournaments to the extent provided in Section A-1(w) and Section A-1 (hh) of Article III.
- (b) Subject to all applicable requirements and obligations of these Regulations.

## **6. Veteran Members**

Players that have made 150 combined cuts in tournaments on the PGA TOUR and Korn Ferry Tour that awarded official money. Such players shall be:

- (a) Eligible to participate in tournaments to the extent provided in Section A-1 (ii) of Article III.
- (b) Subject to all applicable requirements and obligations of these Regulations.

## **B. DUES AND FEES**

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

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

### **1. Termination**

A player shall cease to be a member of the Korn Ferry Tour:

- (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 Korn Ferry Tour events as provided in Sections A.1(i), (v) and (bb) 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; or
- (e) If he loses his eligibility for membership under the terms of the PGA TOUR Anti-Doping or PGA TOUR Integrity Program.

### **2. Reinstatement**

A player whose Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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.

## **D. MEETINGS OF PLAYER MEMBERS**

### **1. Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting of the members of the Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour. All Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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 Korn Ferry Tour. 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 Korn Ferry Tour 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.

## **E. PLAYER ADVISORY COUNCIL**

### **1. Player Advisory Council**

- (a) A Korn Ferry Tour Player Advisory Council (the "Council") will be composed of eight (8) members; four (4) which are elected annually by the members of the Korn Ferry Tour and four (4) which are selected by the current Player Directors. The purpose of the Council is to advise and consult with the PGA TOUR Policy Board and Commissioner on matters affecting the Korn Ferry Tour.
- (b) The members of the Council will be elected as follows:

- (i) Not later than one (1) week following completion of the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament each season, the Commissioner shall mail to all Korn Ferry Tour regular members a list of such members. Each member may vote for four (4) members, as follows:
- One (1) player from the Tournament Winner and Next 75 Points Leaders from the previous season's Korn Ferry Tour Regular Season categories.
  - One (1) player from the Next 25 Finishers and ties, Next 40 Finishers and ties, and Second Stage Medalists from Qualifying Tournament categories.
  - One (1) player from the Leading Points Winner and Three Time Winners from PGA TOUR Americas, Finishers 2-10 prior season's PGA TOUR Americas Points List, Top 3 Finishers from prior season's PGA TOUR University Ranking List categories.
  - One (1) player from PGA TOUR categories including Former Fully Exempt, 126-150 on the prior season's FedExCup Points List, and 151-200 on the prior season's FedExCup Points List.
- (ii) Ballots shall be returned to the office of an outside auditor 10 business days following distribution of the ballots. The members who receive the highest number of votes in each of the categories as provided above shall be deemed elected. The results of the election shall be announced as soon as practicable unless a tie vote makes a runoff necessary, in which case the Commissioner shall promptly conduct a mail vote of all members to resolve the tie and announce the results when voting is completed.
- (iii) If any member declines to serve on the Player Advisory Council, the member with the next highest number of votes shall take such declining member's place.
- (iv) Upon completion of the election as provided above, the current Player Directors shall select the remaining four (4) additional members to serve on the Council. These four (4) members will also be invited to participate in the PGA TOUR PAC Subcommittee Meetings.
- (v) The eight (8) members of the Player Advisory Council shall elect a Chairman and a Vice Chairman.
- (a) The Chairman will be invited to attend meetings of the PGA TOUR Policy Board as an observer without a vote.
- (b) A member of the Council shall hold office until December 31 of the season of his election or until he ceases to be a member of the Korn Ferry Tour, whichever first occurs.

A vacancy occurring during the season will be filled by a vote of the Player Advisory Council. Members of the Council may be reelected from season to season.

## **F. 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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