



ASSISTANT
PGA PROFESSIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP

SECTION

2018 ENTRY INFORMATION

REFER TO THE SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP DATES, DEADLINE DATES, SITES & ENTRY FEES DOCUMENT FOR YOUR SECTION'S SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Every applicant (except exempt applicants) must go through a two-stage process as follows to compete in the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

1. Enter and compete in your National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. See "Section Championship Dates, Deadline Dates, Sites & Entry Fees" document for your Section's specific information.
2. A pre-determined number of top finishers from each Section, plus exempt players, will then advance to the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship to be played November 15-18, 2018, on the Wanamaker Course at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Florida. An additional \$50 entry fee will be required to enter the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship and a separate eligibility deadline must also be met.

All members/associates who wish to play in the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship must first enter their respective 2018 Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship (unless exemption status applies).

Providing all eligibility requirements are met, exemptions are as follows:

- Top four (4) finishers from the 2017 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship

Exempt players have the option, but are not required, to play in their Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship provided entries are made prior to the deadline and eligibility is met.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is limited to Class A-8 PGA members and associates who meet all of the following criteria.

Class A-8 Members and all Associates must be eligibly employed and in good standing at the time of entry and their Section's entry deadline date. The PGA of America headquarters records must reflect this status at time of entry and Section's entry deadline date.

Contestant must not have played in more than ten (10) combined Adams Pro Tour (APT), Asian Tour, Australia/New Zealand Tour, Dakotas Tour, European Challenge Tour, European Senior Tour, European Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), Symetra Tour (LPGA), LPGA Tour, Mackenzie TOUR - Canada, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR - China, PGA TOUR - LatinoAmerica, SwingThought Tour, The Safari Tour, The Sunshine Tour, web.com TOUR tournaments. The U. S. Open, U. S. Senior Open, U. S. Women's Open, PGA Championship, KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and KPMG Women's PGA Championship are not included in the 10-tournament count.

PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., reserves the right to determine whether or not any player meets eligibility and to reject any player who does not meet these requirements.

A PGA member/associate will not be eligible to participate if:

- a) the member/associate is serving a suspension from membership.
- b) the member/associate is suspended from tournament participation for National tournaments.
- c) the member is classified as Class F, Reserve (formerly Inactive), A-3, Retired Member or Honorary.

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TO ENTER

To enter your National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, each player may enter online at www.PGA.org or call **800.474.2776**. Entries will be accepted beginning April 11, 2018.

If you enter by telephone, please ask for a confirmation number or if you enter online, please print your confirmation. A confirmation will be emailed to the current address in your membership file.

Confirmation # _____

American Express, MasterCard or Visa will be accepted for payment. Please be prepared to provide the following information when entering.

1. PGA membership or associate number.
2. Name, city and state (as you wish it to appear on starting times, scoreboard, etc.)
3. Corporation information (if applicable). If prize money is to be paid to a corporation, you must provide the corporation's name and its federal identification number.
4. Number of (must not have played in more than ten (10) combined) Adams Pro Tour (APT), Asian Tour, Australia/New Zealand Tour, Dakotas Tour, European Challenge Tour, European Senior Tour, European Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), Symetra Tour (LPGA), LPGA Tour, Mackenzie TOUR - Canada, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR - China, PGA TOUR - LatinoAmerica, SwingThought Tour, The Safari Tour, The Sunshine Tour, web.com TOUR tournaments. The U. S. Open, U. S. Senior Open, U. S. Women's Open, PGA Championship, KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and KPMG Women's PGA Championship are not included in the 10-tournament count.

Section entry fee is \$30 (although Sections may set additional fees to add to the purse or to cover expenses related to playing the Championship). See "Section Championship Dates, Deadline Dates, Sites & Entry Fees" for your Section's specific information.

SECTION INFORMATION

The PGA Board of Directors has determined that the allocation of the number of players advancing from each National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be based on the average number of eligible players over the last five (5) years (using actual number of eligible players starting their Championship).

All applicants must compete in the Section in which they are affiliated on their Section's entry deadline date unless they have transferred to a new Section.

Applicants who have transferred into a new Section after their Section's entry deadline have the option of competing in their original Section or in their new Section, but not in **both**. In order to compete in their new Section, they must inform their new Section of their intention at least seven (7) days prior to that Section's event.

A "no refund" policy is in effect. Please notify your Section directly if you need to withdraw after their deadline. After the entry deadline, no money will be refunded from PGA Headquarters and anyone requesting a refund after that time will be referred back to their respective Section. A \$30 administration fee will be withheld for any withdrawal **prior** to the entry deadline. Any amount collected above \$30 can be refunded by the Section at their discretion.

PRIZE MONEY

Each participating Section will receive \$2,000 to supplement their purse and an additional \$41,000 will be distributed by using a formula based on the average number of eligible players (using actual number of eligible players starting their Championship) over the last five (5) years.

METHOD OF PLAY

The National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship is a stroke play event with a minimum of 36 holes. In the event of a tie for the last advancing place or an alternate's place, there should be a play-off as determined by the Section.

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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

This application is subject to acceptance by PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., in its sole discretion. Applicant agrees that in the event of acceptance of the application, the application and Applicant's participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship may be rejected or revoked at any time thereafter for violation of eligibility criteria or any conditions of entry.

Both the application and Applicant's participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship are subject to all Rules, Regulations, provisions of the Constitution and Bylaws of the Professional Golfers' Association of America and other conditions applicable to the Championship, as well as to the terms and conditions of any contract which PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., may have made with other parties with respect to same, inclusive of, but not limited to, anti-doping policies.

Participation in all stages of the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship is subject to all Rules, Regulations, and provisions of the Constitution, Bylaws, Regulations and applicable Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship eligibility criteria and other conditions of entry applicable to the Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. In addition, the following conditions apply.

As a condition of entry for participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, the Applicant consents to the recording and/or transmission of his/her voice and image to being filmed, videotaped, photographed or televised in connection with participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship and any other event conducted in conjunction with National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship; waives, releases and assigns his/her private rights to the production, reproduction, publication and dissemination of any recordings, transmissions, video recordings, portraits, posters, motion pictures, photographs, images and electronic transmissions which depict the Applicant as a participant in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship or any phase or portion thereof and any other event conducted in conjunction with National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to the Professional Golfers' Association of America, any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, or assigns for all use in connection with:

- i) advertising, promoting, or publicizing National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, any subsequent National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship or any broadcasts thereof;
- ii) radio broadcasts or "live" or "delayed" telecasts or television programs, Internet or other electronic transmissions;
- iii) broadcasts or exhibitions on a recorded basis as part of a program, motion picture or video recording of the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, or year-end summaries of sports award programs or any news or sports news programs in any form of media;
- iv) live or taped non-exclusive updates; and
- v) official lithographs, commemorative yearbooks, portraits, posters, and the like.

Applicant agrees to refrain from any action, which will interfere with the orderly recording, production, reproduction, publication and dissemination of such recordings, transmissions, films, tapes, electronic transmissions, pictures, photographs, or images.

As a condition of entry, all players expressly release and discharge the PGA of America, PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., its affiliates and subsidiaries, officers, directors, employees, members, sponsors, respective PGA Section and host site from and against any claims for injuries sustained in any way attributable to or incidental to participating in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, and acknowledges that they expressly assume the risks and dangers incidental to participation in the event, inclusive of, but not limited to, injuries caused by errant golf shots, injuries sustained attributable to weather conditions, or injuries attributable to the golf course or host site's premises. Players agree that they choose to participate in the event at their own risk and will assume the risk of injury in association with participating in the event.

Applicant agrees that Applicant will not share in any part of the prize money, which Applicant may win in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, with any other contestant.

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It is also understood that Applicant's participation in the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship is subject to pre-qualifying unless he/she is among those who are exempt from qualifying.

POLICIES

Entry fees must be received by the entry deadline, which is established and set forth herein.

There shall be no waivers of entry deadlines unless approved by the PGA Officers acting in the best interest of the game of golf, sponsors, hosts/sites, the public and/or the players.

There will be no entry refunds after the closing date for entries.

Although competing from separate tees (men from men's tees and women from women's tees), men and women professionals shall compete for the same purse. For example, the man or woman professional with the lowest score shall win first place money.

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

GROOVES AND PUNCH MARK CONDITIONS: The PGA of America has adopted the conditions of competition for grooves and/or punch marks for its three major Member Championships, i.e., PGA Professional Championship, Senior PGA Professional Championship and Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

All players' clubs must conform to the grooves and punch mark conditions of the competition at both the Section and National level of the competition.

DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES: A player or his/her caddie may obtain distance information by using a device that measures distance. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his/her play (e.g., gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is two (2) strokes for first offense and for subsequent offense – **disqualification**.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The conditions governing play and the purse distribution will be determined by the PGA of America and distributed by the appropriate PGA Section. The National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be subject to the overall supervision of the Section.

Proper golfing attire must be worn at all times during play. The Tournament Director may prohibit play by those who do not conform to dress standards of the Section.

Any player who shall be deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming a Golf Professional while participating in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship or activities related thereto (i.e., practice rounds, hospitality events, etc.), or who otherwise violates the Code of Ethics of the PGA shall be subject to fine or suspension from tournament play.

The Section Tournament Director shall be authorized to impose penalties consisting of a fine of \$100 for the first offense, a fine of \$150 for the second offense, and suspension from tournament play for the third offense for any of the following violations:

- Club throwing/club breaking
- Damage to course equipment or property
- Abuse, oral (profanity) or otherwise directed at rules officials, other competitors, spectators, sponsors, championship staff, volunteers, or others
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or marijuana use (unless pre-approved as treatment for a medical condition) during practice rounds and/or championship rounds
- Any other conduct deemed by the Tournament Director to be unbecoming a PGA Golf Professional

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In the event of a tie for first place at the end of the Championship, there will be a play-off as determined by the Section Tournament Committee.

PLAYING ABILITY TEST (PAT)

Certain Sections allow their National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to be used as a PAT. Associates who wish to use their National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship as a PAT must first enter their National Car Rental Section PGA Assistant Championship, then choose the PAT item, register for the PAT and pay the additional \$50 PAT registration fee. (Note: Associates must be entered in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, may not register for the PAT only, and must meet the registration deadline).

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For those players advancing into the 2018 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship supported by Srixon |Cleveland Golf | XXIO, Golf Advisor and John Deere, entry information will be emailed to you after your (qualifying) Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. This information will also be available on-line at www.pgatournaments.com on or before Wednesday, September 12, when entries begin for the National Championship. Entry deadline is set for Wednesday, October 24, 2018.

- The supporting sponsors for the 2018 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship are Srixon |Cleveland Golf | XXIO, Golf Advisor and John Deere
- The 2018 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be played on PGA Golf Club's Wanamaker course, Port St Lucie, Florida. Dates of the Championship are November 15-18, 2018 with practice rounds on November 13-14. The cut will be made to the low 70 players and ties for the final two rounds.
- National Championship entries will open on Wednesday, September 12, 2018.
- National Championship entry deadline is Wednesday, October 24, 2018.
- On-site registration (required) will be held November 13-14, 2018.

Only exempt players and players qualifying through their Section Championship will be allowed to enter the National Championship.

The **condition of competition regarding grooves and punch marks will be in effect for ALL stages** of the 2018 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

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