



ALL CONTESTANTS MUST HAVE QUALIFIED THROUGH A SECTION SENIOR PGA PROFESSIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP OR HAVE BEEN GRANTED AN EXEMPTION INTO THE FIELD. ALL CONTESTANTS ARE SUBJECT TO THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH (BELOW) AND WITHIN THE ENTRY INFORMATION.

Eligibility is limited to PGA members who meet all of the following criteria:

All players must be eligibly employed and classified in one of the following active membership classifications or have **Life Member status (LM, LMA, LMM or LMMA)** on their date of entry and on October 4, 2023. The PGA of America's membership records must reflect this status on both critical dates.

*MP	Master Professional
A-1	Head Professional at a PGA recognized golf course
A-2	Head Professional at a PGA recognized golf range
A-4	Golf Directors at a PGA recognized golf course
*A-5	Past PGA Presidents
A-6	Self-employed teaching professionals
A-7	Director of Golf or Head Professional at a PGA recognized golf facility under construction
A-8	Assistant Professional
A-9	Executives or managers of golf properties
A-10	Golf Clinicians
A-11	Employees of Golf Associations
A-12	College Golf Coaches
A-13	General Managers/Directors of Club Operations
A-14	Directors of Instruction at a PGA recognized facility
A-15	Retail
A-16	Golf Course Architect/Builder
A-17	Golf Course Superintendents
A-18	Golf Media
A-19	Golf Manufacturer Management
A-20	Golf Manufacturer Sales Representatives
A-21	Tournament Director
A-22	Rules Official
A-23	Golf Club Fitting/Golf Club Repair
A-24	PGA members primarily employed within the golf industry who are not eligible for another Active classification

* Must be eligibly employed in one of the aforementioned active membership classifications or must be eligible for the following Life Member classifications (LM, LMA, LMM or LMMA).

1. **Participants must not have played** in more than **eight (8)***** combined regulated Professional Tours listed: Adams Pro Tour (APT), Asian Tour, Dakotas Tour, DP World Tour, Epson Tour, European Challenge Tour, European Legends Tour, GPro Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Korn Ferry Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), LPGA Tour, Mackenzie TOUR-Canada, PGA Australia Tours, PGA New Zealand Tours, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR-China, PGA TOUR LatinoAmerica, The Safari Tour and The Sunshine Tour tournaments between October 4, 2022 and October 3, 2023. The U.S. Open, U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Women's Open, PGA Championship, KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and KPMG Women's Championship are not included in the 8-tournament*** count.

Beginning January 2024, the maximum number of combined "Professional Tours" that a PGA Member may participate in, and still remain eligible to compete in PGA Member Championships, will be **reduced from eight (8) to a total of four (4). This 4-tournament rule will be applied to all respective Championships & Player of the Year eligibility date ranges. (**Exception:** The current year's PPC champion will be allowed a total maximum of eight (8) tournaments during their winning year only. **Reason:** The PPC Champion earns exemptions into six (6) PGA TOUR open tournaments with their win, which leaves room for them to qualify for two (2) additional events during the year.) (Board Meeting, June 2022)*

***In addition, a special exception will be made for any PGA member finishing in the Top 15 of the PGA Championship, Top 15 of the KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and/or the Top 10 of the KPMG Women's PGA Championship, that would exempt them into the following year's Championship, also allowing that member a maximum of eight (8) tournaments instead of four (4), for one year only, provided the member does not transfer into an A-3 classification and/or accept any temporary membership that a respective tour may offer. **Reason:** Such a strong finish in these major Championships may provide additional playing opportunities which could result in exceeding the 4-tournament rule for that year. These additional opportunities increase the spotlight on PGA members and their playing accomplishments, and have a resulting positive impact on our membership overall. (Board Meeting, June 2023)*

2. Participants must also be a minimum of 50 years of age on October 26, 2023, the first round of the 2023 Senior PGA Professional Championship. The PGA of America reserves the right to determine the eligibility of any player and to reject any player who does not meet these requirements. A PGA member will not be eligible to participate if:
 - a) the member is serving a suspension from membership;
 - b) the member is suspended from tournament participation for National tournaments; or
 - c) the member is classified as Class F, Reserve, A-3, Retired Member, Life Member Century or Honorary.