



IOWA  
SECTION

# TOURNAMENT RULES AND REGULATIONS

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## **ARTICLE I. IOWA SECTION PGA ADMINISTERED EVENTS**

Iowa Section PGA administered tournaments are those in which professional entries are limited to Iowa Section PGA members and registered associates in good standing. PGA members transferring into the Iowa Section that are not employed in an active PGA classification are not eligible to play in these events. All entries and payouts for these tournaments will be processed through the Iowa Section PGA office with assistance from PGA National. The Tournament Chairman, Tournament Director, Executive Director and host professional shall have complete control over each Iowa Section administered event.

Any Iowa Section administered event must be held only at those courses where a Class "A" PGA Professional in good standing or a PGA Associate in good standing is employed. For any I-PGA administered event held during the normal golfing season (April through October), reference the BlueGolf Tournament Information Page for maximum field size.

All communications concerning the schedule and fees for a tournament will be available on the Internet at [www.iowapga.com](http://www.iowapga.com) and must be approved by the Tournament Director or by the Executive Director of the Section before publishing.

All players in any Iowa PGA administered event must adhere to a proper dress code. Professionals must wear pants/slacks (no jeans) or knee length shorts. Professionals must wear either a collared shirt or a golf shirt adhering to the standards of the Iowa PGA. Amateurs must wear a collared shirt or a golf shirt adhering to the standards of the Iowa PGA. Any person found in violation of this Tournament Regulation would be given the opportunity to correct the violation if possible. If the violation is not rectified by their tee-time, the player will be disqualified from the event.

## **ARTICLE II. PROFESSIONAL ELIGIBILITY**

### Participants

Eligible players for Iowa Section PGA administered events excluding the Iowa PGA Professional Championship, the Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship and the Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship (see Iowa PGA Professional Championship, Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship and Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship sections for eligibility requirements):

A. All Class A members, Life Member Active (LMA), Life Member Master Active (LMMA), Life Member Retired (LM), Life Member Master Retired (LMM) and Retired Members (RM) of the Iowa Section PGA and registered associates in good standing with the following exceptions.

1. Inactive PGA Members are not eligible to compete in Section Events.

2. Unemployed Class A Members, with the exception of the Section Championships, any person who has been a Class A PGA Member for at least one year, and who is currently unemployed, is eligible to play in Section events for one year from their last date of employment plus the remaining time in the fiscal period.

3. A-3 PGA Members

Are not eligible to participate in Iowa PGA administered events. Special exemption may be granted by the tournament committee and Executive Director for Iowa Open Championship, Las Vegas Pro-Am, the Foundation Pro-Am and other events as approved. The A-3 PGA Professional must be a member of the Iowa PGA Section to receive an exemption.

#### B. Age Divisions

1. The Iowa Section senior events are restricted to those members and associate members who have reached their 50th birthday by the first day of the tournament.
2. The Iowa Section super senior events are restricted to those members and associate members who have reached their 60th birthday by the first day of the tournament.

#### C. 8 - Tournament Rule

Must not have played in more than eight (8) combined All Pro Tour (APT), Women's All Pro Tour, Advocates Professional Golf Association Tour (APGA), Asian Tour, Dakotas Tour, DP World Tour, Epon Tour (LPGA), European Challenge Tour, European Legends Tour, GPro Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Korn Ferry Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), LPGA Tour, Outlaw Tour, PGA TOUR Americas, PGA Australia Tours, PGA New Zealand Tours, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, The Safari Tour and The Sunshine Tour tournaments during the twelve-month period prior to the registration deadline.

The U.S. Open, U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Women's Open, PGA Championship, KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship, KPMG Women's PGA Championship and John Deere Classic are not included in the 4-tournament count

#### D. Legends Division

The Legends Division is open to members and associate members who have reached their 60th birthday by the first day of the tournament. This division will play from a yardage approximately 94% of the yardage played by the other divisions. If you sign up to play in this division you cannot play in any other division as this division plays from a reduced yardage.

Players in this division are eligible to earn the team purse, they will also have their own individual purse with only their entry fee money.

The Legends Division will be offered during Professional Events that also offer the Super Senior Division and do not have a same tee requirement from the PGA National Office. The Legends Division will have its own Skins Game and Player of the Year Division based on the Super Senior PGA POY Division.

Requirements to enroll into the PGA Professional Golf Management Program:

Details on becoming enrolled into the PGA Professional Golf Management Program may be found at [www.pga.org](http://www.pga.org)

### **ARTICLE III. ENTRY POLICIES**

#### **Section 1. Entry**

All entry fees must be received in the Section Office by the deadline printed on the online entry form to be considered for inclusion into the event. Registrations will be accepted over the phone; however, credit card information will not be accepted over the phone. To register over the phone a player must have a form of payment saved in BlueGolf prior to the registration deadline. If you are unable to contact an Iowa PGA staff member you may leave a detailed message stating your intent to register for an event prior to the registration deadline and they will return your call. Professionals may also register over the internet for various tournaments at <http://www.iowapga.com>.

All professional participants in all Iowa Section administered events will pay entry fees as follows and no entrant shall have any option to delete any of the entry fees.

- A. Team All-Pros: 75% of professional's entry fee for individual purse and 25% of professional's entry fee for team purse.
- B. Pro-Pros: 75% of professional's entry fee for low pro purse and 25% of professional's entry fee for team purse. All added money will go to the low pro purse (Open and Senior Divisions) unless otherwise stated. The tournament committee may elect to place any percentage of added money into the team portion of the event.
- C. In events where the Section Office controls amateur entries or the professional brings their own amateur(s), at least 75% of the amateur entry fee will go to the team purse.
- D. Due to the wide variety of tournament formats, the Tournament Committee and the Section Office reserve the right to adjust these entry fee regulations to better serve the intent or purpose of an event.

#### **Section 2. Refunds / No Show Policies**

Tournament entry fees shall be refunded minus \$10.00, only if the Tournament Director or Executive Director is notified by telephone prior to the entry deadline date and time or process is done online. If a professional should withdraw from an event after the deadline

date, they lose their entry fee. The entry fee will be forfeited except for extenuating circumstances.

The entry deadline is the Tuesday prior to the event (6 days) at 11:59PM unless otherwise stated.

In events where ground conditions do not allow the use of motorized carts, the golf professional and team have the option of playing or not playing. Those players withdrawing will be refunded. The payouts will be adjusted accordingly.

Any golf professional that commits to playing in any pro-am or pro-member conducted in the Iowa Section they must participate or notify the host professional regarding their withdrawal at least two hours prior to their scheduled tee-time. Failure to do so shall subject the individual to a \$100 fine. The collected fine will be distributed at the discretion of the Board of Directors.

Should a professional fail to appear, the amateur assigned to that team may compete and use the score of a drawn professional to assist in their team score. The drawn professional has the option to accept the higher award if both his teams finish in the money. The other prize will be redistributed through the winning pros in the team competition.

In the team competition, a player who pays only one entry fee may only collect one prize. A professional paying two entry fees is eligible for two prizes.

#### **ARTICLE IV. TOURNAMENT FIELD**

##### Tournament Field

A minimum of 20 professionals must be registered by the tournament entry deadline for the Iowa PGA to host an All-Professional Section Event.

If a full field of professionals, as determined by the host pro is not completed by entry deadline, that professional has the right to solicit eligible participants to fill the field. This applies only to the Pro-Ams in which the host club is responsible for the amateur field. In the event more professionals enter than there are spots available in a tournament subject to limited fields, the following method shall be used in filling the field.

- A. Only paid entries that are received in the office by the entry deadline will be considered.
- B. Tournament registrations are taken on a first-come, first-serve basis regardless of PGA Classification.
- C. All entries for double shotguns will be kept in order of receipt for each session as requested. Those entries received first will have priority.

##### Balancing a "Double Shotgun" Field

The Tournament Committee may utilize a "Field Balancing" policy to eliminate the

lopsided fields that occur when there is a "Double Shotgun" format. The formula is designed to assist the Host Professional in carrying out their duties more efficiently. The formula takes the entire field and splits it into a 55% vs. 45% ratio with the higher percentage going to the shotgun with higher demand. Priority will be given to "Receipt of Entry" regardless of PGA Classification. Early entries will be rewarded.

Pro-Ams held at two different courses held at the same time will be treated as two separate minor point events. Players will be able to sign up for either event. Registration for these events would fall under the Double Shotgun Field Balancing outlined above. The field balancing would be in effect if the number of players registered for one of the host facilities does not meet the minimum number of players needed by the host professional.

## **ARTICLE V. RULES AND CONDUCT**

### **Section 1. Rules**

All IPGA administered events are to be played under the USGA Rules of Golf. Any deviation must be with the approval of the Tournament Director and/or the Executive Director.

The Board of Directors, upon recommendation of the tournament committee, after a proper hearing, may impose a penalty to include a fine or suspension of a member for violations of the Rules of Golf for conduct unbecoming of a golf professional during or after a tournament; this shall include not finishing a stipulated round of play without just cause.

Any member professional who allows to be staged or stages a professional-amateur event or an open tournament or open invitational event or any other similar event at their club or course on a date which conflicts with any published Section-administered event may be suspended from membership for one year, unless the Board of Directors grants special exemption.

### **Section 2. Code of Conduct**

We are judged by how we dress, act and conduct ourselves at meetings, tournaments and in individual encounters with the public. One member can damage the profession and the entire Section's reputation.

The following are considered violations of our "Code of Conduct" in addition to those in the PGA National Constitution:

- A. Club throwing, club breaking, foul language or other displays of temper unbecoming a golf professional.
- B. Clubhouse decorum, public intoxication or loud and vulgar displays while a guest at another club or at meetings.

- C. Gossip, actions or anything done or presented in such a way as to harm a fellow professional.
- D. Not being a gracious guest at Pro-Ams and Pro-Members. We are there to help a fellow member and to help entertain other members or his guests.
- E. Our business dealings with suppliers and salesmen must be on a professional level.

### **Section 3. Discipline, Penalties, and Appeals**

#### Section Tournament Policy

- A. Each PGA of America Member or Associate Member Participant (“Participant”) in a Section golf tournament acknowledges the right and authority of the Section to (i) fine and suspend from tournament play; and/or to (ii) fine and permanently bar the Participant from Section tournaments. Any Participant in a Section event hereby releases the PGA of America Section, the PGA of America, the PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., rules officials, 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 Section, PGA of America or any appellate body.

Fines are due and payable within thirty (30) days unless the Participant has made a written appeal. Should the appeal be denied, the fine will be due and payable within thirty (30) days of such denial of appeal; and the Participant will be ineligible to participate in any Section tournament and any other PGA of America tournaments and the tournaments of any other PGA Section until said fine is paid in full.

- B. **Advance Notification of Proposed Disciplinary Action**  
Except for penalties under the Rules of Golf and for “Minor Penalties” (as hereafter defined), any Participant subject to disciplinary action or penalty defined as a “Major Penalty” shall first be notified of such proposed action in writing. Such notice may be presented to the Participant by a tournament official. Within thirty (30) days from the receipt of the notice, the Participant shall submit to the Section Tournament Director or the Section Executive Director such facts or evidence of mitigating circumstances as may apply. Within thirty (30) days of receipt of such information from the Participant, the Section Tournament Director or the Section Executive Director shall notify the Participant in writing of the imposition of the proposed disciplinary action or penalty, or that the proposed action has been dismissed. After the imposition of any penalty hereunder, the Participant shall have the right to appeal to the Section Board of Inquiry as set forth in Section E herein.
- C. **Rules of Golf**  
Any Participant in a Section tournament who breaches the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association or Local Rules in effect for the conduct of such event shall be subject to the penalties provided in such Rules as well as any other penalties imposed by the Section consistent with this policy. The decision of the Section Rules Officials/

and/or the Section Tournament Committee with respect to such Rules breach shall be final and conclusive.

D. Conduct Unbecoming a Professional

Any Participant deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming a professional while participating in a Section tournament or in activities related thereto (e.g. practice rounds, hospitality events, etc.) shall be subject to fine, suspension and/or permanent disbarment from Section tournament play as provided in this policy. A fine of \$100 shall be levied for the first offense. A fine of \$150 shall be levied for the second offense, and a prohibition from participating in Section events for one year shall be levied for the third offense. Any Participant that is found guilty of more than three offenses for conduct unbecoming a professional charge may, at the sole discretion of the Section, be permanently prohibited from participating in all Section, PGA of America tournaments and may be subject to PGA of America Code of Ethics charges. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Section reserves the right to pursue Code of Ethics charges against any PGA Member/Associate Member for conduct charges related to the conduct of any Participant at Section golf tournaments and related events at the sole discretion of the Section in compliance with the procedures for Code of Ethics hearings as set forth in this Article II of the Bylaws.

E. Classes of Penalties for Section Tournament Offenses

a. MINOR PENALTIES.

Minor Penalty is a fine of not more than \$150 and/or suspension from tournament play for two or less tournaments. A Minor Penalty may be imposed by the Section tournament officials responsible for the conduct of the tournament.

b. MAJOR PENALTIES.

Major Penalty is a fine in excess of \$150, suspension from tournament play for more than three tournaments and/or permanent disbarment from Section tournament play.

F. Appeals

a. MINOR PENALTIES.

Appeals from Minor Penalties shall be to the Tournament Committee Chairperson (or his/her designee). Such appeal may be in writing or oral. Such appeal shall be received by the Tournament Committee Chair no later than thirty (30) days after the infraction. The Tournament Committee Chair shall render the decision on appeal in writing within thirty (30) days of the receipt of the appeal and submit a final report to the Section Executive Director. The Section Executive Director shall submit this final report to the Association General Counsel. Such decision shall be final. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Section determines that it would prefer that a Minor Penalty shall be submitted to the Board of Control for a hearing in lieu of action by the Section, then the Section Board of Inquiry will follow the same procedures set forth herein for all matters submitted to the Board of Control for Code of Ethics procedures.

b. MAJOR PENALTIES.

Within thirty days from the date of notification of a Major Penalty, the Participant may submit a written appeal to the Section Board of Inquiry. Failure to file such an appeal shall be deemed conclusively to be an admission of the charges specified in the notification. Thereafter, the Section Board of Inquiry will prepare a report of the matter to the Board of Control and the matter will be set for a hearing before the Board of Control in accordance with all applicable procedures set forth herein for ethics appeals heard by the Board of Control. The Board of Control shall hear the appeal either at the next regularly scheduled Board of Control hearing or at an expedited meeting that may be held in person or via conference call at the discretion of the Chair of the Board of Control. The decision of the Board of Control shall be final. An appeal shall operate to stay the effective date of any penalty, except suspension from a Section tournament then in progress or scheduled for the calendar week in which the alleged violation occurred, until after a final decision on the appeal. All fines must be paid within thirty (30) days from the imposition of the fine, or in the event of an appeal, within (30) days from the decision rendered by the Board of Control in the event the Board of Control upholds the findings of the Tournament Committee Chair.

**ARTICLE VI. PAIRINGS**

First round pairings in all Section administered events shall be made by lot except the Host Professional can request a tee time and group to play with, unless requests are made. The Tournament Director will attempt to accommodate all requests for non-Major Point Events and non-team events. In all multi-round stroke play tournaments, pairings will be altered for second round play. Second round pairings will be made based on the first round's scores.

In Pro-Pro events where players may pick their partner; players can only choose each other one time as partners. The Spring Meeting and Pro-Assistant do not count towards this limit.

**ARTICLE VII. PURSE DISTRIBUTION**

**Section 1. Tournament Administration Charges**

The Iowa Section PGA will deduct 5% of total entry fees for all tournaments processed through the Iowa Section office. This deduction will pay for credit card processing fees that the Section incurs. The Section will deduct \$3 per professional entered into the event regardless of how many divisions that professional has entered. This fee is to offset BlueGolf tournament software expenses. All purses are based on amount of entries.

**Section 2. Bonus Flight for Multi-Round Events**

Separate \$20.00 entry following first round of multi-round tournaments for those in bottom half of field (including ties). Bonus Flight winnings will be based off results from round two and beyond.

### **Section 3. Skins Game**

An optional skins and senior skins game will be run at all Iowa PGA Section events. The cost of these skins games will be \$20 per game and will be paid out in cash immediately following the completion of the event. You may only enter the skins game if you have entered that specific division. The Skins game will be open for all Iowa Section PGA Members, Registered Associate Members and Life Members in good standing who have registered for the Open Division. The Senior Skins game will be open to all Iowa Section PGA Members, Registered Associate Members and Life Members in good standing who have reached their 50<sup>th</sup> birthday on or before the day of the event. To register for the Senior Skins game the player must have registered for either the Senior Division or the Super Senior Division. Players may register for both skins games if they meet the previous requirements for both games.

When a skins game is held at an event consisting of multiple rounds the cost for each round will be \$20 and players must register for all stipulated rounds. As an example, the Iowa PGA Professional Championship is a 54-Hole event with a skins game costing \$20 per round or \$60 total. To enter this skins game a player must pay \$60, players will not be allowed to enter a single rounds skins game without entering every rounds skins game.

### **Section 4. PGA Tour Sponsorship**

- A. 5% will be placed into Iowa PGA Match Play Championship purse
  - B. 5% will be placed into Iowa PGA Shootout
  - C. 15% will be placed into the Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship purse
  - D. 75% will be placed into the Iowa PGA Professional Championship purse
- \*Note: this sponsorship must be placed into an Iowa Section all-professional event\**

### **Section 5. Distribution of Remaining Korn Ferry Tour Sponsorship Funds**

- A. 20% will be placed into the Iowa PGA Match Play Championship purse
- B. 5% will be placed into the Iowa PGA Senior Match Play Championship purse
- C. 75% will be placed into Iowa PGA section events without sponsors.
- D. If the 36-Hole Classic or the Iowa PGA Shootout has a sponsor adding funds to the event than that event will be treated as if it does not have a sponsor in terms of Korn Ferry Tour Money. If either of these events do not have any sponsorship funds added to them than they will be considered double events in terms of Korn Ferry Tour money and receive the same amount of funds as two normal Monday events.

### **Section 6. Iowa PGA Women's Professional Championship Sponsorship Funds**

A percentage of PGA TOUR sponsorship money allocated to the Iowa PGA Professional Championship will be used for this event. The amount used will be equal to the amount allocated to the Iowa PGA Professional Championship divided by the total amount of rounds played in both events multiplied by the number of players in the Iowa PGA Women's Professional Championship. 2019 example -  $\$23,226 / 181 * 4 = \$513.28$  total purse.

### Section 7. ROLEX Player of the Year Sponsorship \$10,000

Payouts are based on participation in each POY category in the previous year. Assistant POY is not included in the ROLEX POY payout. *(Structured so that associate members can't play just one year and receive a payout).*

PGA POY – 90 players in 2018 – in 2019 they will receive 64% of the \$10,000 pot or \$6,400

Senior PGA POY – 40 players in 2018 – in 2019 they will receive 28% of the \$10,000 pot or \$2,800

Super Senior PGA POY – 11 players in 2018 – in 2019 they will receive 8% of the \$10,000 pot or \$800

Players can earn money in multiple divisions. Keep in mind that they are paying separate entry fees to compete in different divisions at IPGA Tournaments.

### Section 8. Iowa Section PGA Open Division Tournament Purse

Entries	12-26	27-35	36-44	45-53	54-62	63-71	72+
Place							
1	24%	20%	18%	17%	16%	15%	14%
2	20	17	15	13	12	12	11
3	15	15	13	11.5	9	9	9
4	12	11	11	9.5	8.5	7	7
5	10	9	9	8	7.5	6	5.3
6	8	7	7	7	7	5.3	4.7
7	6	6	6	6	6	5	4.3
8	5	5	5	5	5.5	4.7	4.1
9		4	4.5	4.3	4.5	4.3	3.9
10		3	4	3.7	4.3	4	3.7
11		2	3	3	3.7	3.7	3.4
12		1	2	2.7	3.3	3.3	3.2
13			1.25	2.3	2.7	3.1	3

14			.75	2	2.3	2.9	2.8
15			.50	1.7	1.7	2.7	2.6
16				1.4	1.5	2.3	2.5
17				1	1.4	2.1	2.3
18				.90	1.2	1.9	2.1
19					1	1.7	1.9
20					.90	1.3	1.7
21						1.1	1.5
22						.90	1.3
23						.70	1.2
24							1.1
25							.90
26							.80
27							.70

NOTE: If there are less than 12 players in the Open Division than the Iowa Section PGA Senior PGA Division Tournament Purse table will be used

**Section 9. Iowa Section PGA Team Purse**

All events with a team purse will have the payout calculated by the Tournament Director and in doing so he/she will pay no less than 30% of the field. The actual percentage given to each place will be done on a tournament by tournament basis.

**Section 10. Iowa Section PGA Senior PGA Division Tournament Purse**

Entries	2	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-17	18+
Place						
1	100%	60%	50%	40%	30%	25%
2		40	30	30	20	20
3			20	15	15	15
4				10	12	10
5				5	10	8
6					8	7
7					5	6
8						5
9						4

**ARTICLE VIII. IOWA SECTION PGA PLAYERS OF THE YEAR**

After the year's tournament schedule, the Iowa Section will name a Player of the Year for four distinguished divisions. Player of the Year is awarded solely on performance in tournaments designated as point events. Each division will maintain its own eligibility and guideline requirements designed by the Tournament Committee to ensure the integrity of each award. The Tournament Committee determines all point events. The four divisions are:

- A. PGA Player of the Year
- B. Senior PGA Player of the Year
- C. Assistant Player of the Year
- D. Super Senior PGA Player of the Year
- E. Legends PGA Player of the Year
- F. Women's Player of the Year

### **Section 1. Participation Player of the Year Points**

Participation Points for Non-Point Events – All players who compete in a non-point event will be awarded 10 Player of the Year points for participating. Those who participate in the Iowa Cup Matches will be awarded 20 Player of the Year points toward their respective division(s). If an event is cancelled for weather related reasons, POY points will only be awarded if the round has started.

### **Section 2. PGA Player of the Year**

#### Eligible Participant

Any Iowa Section Class "A" member in good standing.

#### 18-Hole Minor Point Events

18-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "single day 18-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events" approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point events will use the 70-point scale.

#### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

### Major Point Event

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major Point tournament, points are assigned to only players in the field who are eligible participants only. All eligible members (Iowa Section PGA Members) will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only).

- A. Iowa PGA Professional Championship 500-point scale
- B. Match Play Championship 300-point scale
- C. Iowa PGA Shootout 300-point scale
- D. 36-Hole Classic 300-point scale

### Iowa Open (Open Division)

Participate 20 points

Making the Cut through 45<sup>th</sup> place (get total of) 70 points

44<sup>th</sup> place through 1<sup>st</sup> place the 500-point scale will be used

### National Point Event

National point event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level to receive qualifying points.

### Any PGA Tour Event (John Deere Classic)

Participation via exemption 70 points

Participation via Open Qualifying 150 points

Make First Cut (Get total of) 250 points

Top 20 (Get total of) 400 points

Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

### PGA Professional Championship

Participate 70 points

Make First Cut (Get total of) 150 points

Make Second Cut (Get total of) 200 points

Top 20 & ties (Get total of) 250 points

Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any Major Championship (Masters, US Open, The Open Championship, PGA Championship)

- Participate 300 points
- Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points
- Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points
- Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

PGA Cup

Players will receive 300 points for qualifying for the PGA Cup in the year they qualify.

*Note 1: Those who qualify US Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 70 Player of the Year Points (US Open Regional Qualifiers normally miss out on at least 1 Section event).*

*Note 2: All POY categories (Assistant, Senior, Super Senior) will be updated according to PGA POY alterations for consistency.*

Iowa Section PGA Tournament Point Breakdown

Place	A	B	12-26	27-44	45-53	54-71	72+
1	500	300	70	70	70	70	70
2	375	225	50	50	50	50	50
3	350	200	40	40	40	45	45
4	325	195	30	30	35	40	40
5	300	190	25	25	30	35	35
6	290	185	20	20	25	30	30
7	280	180	15	18	20	25	27
8	270	175	12	16	18	22	25
9	260	170	10	14	16	20	24
10	250	165	7	12	14	18	23
11	240	160	5	10	12	16	22
12	235	155		8	11	15	21
13	230	150		6	10	14	20
14	225	145		5	9	13	19
15	220	140		4	8	12	18
16	215	135		3	7	11	17
17	210	130		2	6	10	16
18	205	125			5	9	15
19	200	120			4	8	14
20	195	115			3	7	13

21	190	110			2	6	12
22	185	105				5	11
23	180	100				4	10
24	175	97				3	9
25	170	95				2	8
26	165	92				1	7
27	160	90					6
28	155	87					5
29	150	85					4
30	145	82					3
31	140	80					2
32	135	77					1
33	130	75					
34	125	72					
35	120	70					
36	115	67					
37	110	65					
38	105	62					
39	100	60					
40	95	57					
41	90	55					
42	85	52					
43	80	50					
44	75	47					
45	70	45					
46	65	42					
47	62	40					
48	60	37					
49	57	35					
50	55	32					
51	52	30					
52	50	27					
53	47	25					
54	45	22					
55	42	20					
56	40	17					

57	37	15					
58	35	12					
59	32	10					
60	30	9					
61	27	8					
62	25	7					
63	22	6					
64	20	5					

The Iowa PGA Professional Championship will be based on the 500-point scale (A), while the Match Play Championship, Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 300-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales. The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points.

### **Section 3. Senior PGA Player of the Year**

#### Eligible Participants

All Iowa Section Class "A" members in good standing who have reached their 50th birthday on or before the date of the tournament.

#### 18-Hole Minor Point Event

Minor point events are defined by "single-day Iowa Section sanctioned events with a designated senior entry" and approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Minor point tournament, points will be awarded to eligible participants only. All eligible participants will be separated and included on an inclusive list for points to be distributed. One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point event will use the 70-point scale.

#### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major point event, this 36-hole minor point event scale will be used. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

#### Major Point Events

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major Point tournament, points will be assigned to eligible participants (Iowa Section Senior PGA Members) only. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

- A. Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship 300-point scale
- B. Iowa PGA Professional Championship 200-point scale
- C. Match Play Championship 300-point scale
- D. Iowa PGA Shootout 200-point scale
- E. 36-Hole Classic 200-point scale

#### Iowa Open (Senior Division)

Participate 50 points  
Make Cut (get total of) 75 points  
Top 10 (get total of) 100 points  
Win Event (get total of) 150 points

#### Iowa Open (Open Division)

Make Cut (get a total of) 50 points  
Top 10 (get a total of) 100 points

#### National Point Event

National Point Event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level to receive qualifying points for national events.

#### Any PGA TOUR Champions Event (Principal Charity Classic)

Participate via exemption 70 points  
Participate via Event Qualifier (Get total of) 150 points  
Top 20 (Get total of) 250 points  
Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

#### Senior PGA Professional Championship

Participate 70 points  
 Make First Cut (Get total of) 150 points  
 Make Second Cut (Get total of) 200 points  
 Top 35 & ties (Get total of) 250 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any Senior Major Championship (The Tradition, Senior PGA Championship, U.S. Senior Open, Senior Players Championship and the Senior Open Championship)

Participate 300 points  
 Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points  
 Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

*Note 1: Those who qualify for US Senior Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 30 Senior Player of the Year Points*

Iowa Section PGA Senior Tournament Point Breakdown

Place	A	B	2	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-17	18+
1	300	200	70	70	70	70	70	70
2	225	150	50	50	50	50	50	50
3	200	100		20	30	30	40	40
4	195	75		5	20	25	35	35
5	190	60			10	20	30	30
6	185	55			5	15	25	25
7	180	50				10	20	20
8	175	45				8	15	18
9	170	40				6	12	15
10	165	30					10	14
11	160	25					8	10
12	155	22					6	9
13	150	20						8
14	145	18						7
15	140	16						6
16	135	14						5
17	130	12						4
18	125	10						
19	120	8						
20	115	6						

21	110	5						
22	105							
23	100							
24	95							
25	90							
26	85							
27	80							
28	75							
29	70							
30	65							
31	60							
32	55							
33	50							
34	45							
35	40							
36	35							
37	30							
38	25							
39	20							
40	15							
41	10							
42	5							

The Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship and Match Play Championship will be based on the 300-point scale (A), while the Iowa PGA Professional Championship, Senior Match Play Championship, Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 200-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales (C). The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

**Section 4. Assistant Player of the Year**

Eligible participants

All Iowa Section Registered Associate Members and A-8 Members in good standing. Player of the Year Award Eligibility for Assistant POY - The Assistant Player of the Year winner must be active and in good standing with the PGA of America on the day of

the Awards Luncheon to be eligible to receive the award. If an Assistant with the most points at the end of the year is not eligible because of this policy, the second-place assistant on the point list will receive the award if he/she is eligible.

### 18-Hole Minor Point Event

Minor Point Events are defined by "single-day Iowa Section sanctioned events" approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Minor Point event tournament, points will be awarded to eligible participants only. All assistants will be included on a separate list with points awarded for a finish between assistants only. One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point event will use the 70-point scale.

### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

### Major Point Event

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major point tournament, points will be assigned to only eligible participants in the field (Iowa Section Associate Members and A-8 Members) only.

- A. Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship 300-point scale
- B. Match Play Championship 300-point scale
- C. Iowa PGA Shootout 200-point scale
- D. 36-Hole Classic 200-point scale

### Iowa Open (Open Division)

Participate 20 points

Making the Cut through 45<sup>th</sup> place (get total of) 70 points

44<sup>th</sup> place through 1<sup>st</sup> place will use the 500-point scale

### National Point Event

National Point Event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level in order to receive qualifying points.

Any PGA TOUR Event (John Deere Classic)

- Participation via exemption 70 points
- Participation via Open Qualifying 150 points
- Make First Cut (Get total of) 250 points
- Top 20 (Get total of) 400 points
- Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Assistant PGA Professional Championship

- Participate 70 points
- Make Cut (Get total of) 150 points
- Top 20 & ties (Get total of) 250 points
- Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any Major Championship (The Masters, US Open and The Open Championship, PGA Championship)

- Participate 300 points
- Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points
- Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points
- Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

*Note 1: Those who qualify for US Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 30 Player of the Year Points (US Open Regional Qualifiers normally miss out on at least 1 Section event).*

Iowa Section Assistant Player of the Year Point Breakdown

Place	A	B	2	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-17	18+
1	300	200	70	70	70	70	70	70
2	225	150	50	50	50	50	50	50
3	200	100		20	30	30	40	40
4	195	75		5	20	25	35	35
5	190	60			10	20	30	30
6	185	55			5	15	25	25
7	180	50				10	20	20
8	175	45				8	15	18
9	170	40				6	12	15
10	165	30					10	14

11	160	25					8	10
12	155	22					6	9
13	150	20						8
14	145	18						7
15	140	16						6
16	135	14						5
17	130	12						4
18	125	10						
19	120	8						
20	115	6						
21	110	5						
22	105							
23	100							
24	95							
25	90							
26	85							
27	80							
28	75							
29	70							
30	65							
31	60							
32	55							
33	50							
34	45							
35	40							
36	35							
37	30							
38	25							
39	20							
40	15							
41	10							
42	5							

The Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship and Match Play Championship will be based on the 300-point scale (A). The Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 200-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales (C). The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win

last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points.

## **Section 5. Super Senior PGA Player of the Year**

### Eligible Participants

All Iowa Section Class "A" members in good standing who have reached their 60th birthday on or before the date of the tournament.

### 18-Hole Minor Point Event

Minor point events are defined by "single-day Iowa Section sanctioned events with a designated senior entry" and approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Minor point tournament, points will be awarded to eligible participants only. All eligible participants will be separated and included on an inclusive list for points to be distributed. One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point event will use the 70-point scale.

### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major point event, this 36-hole minor point event scale will be used. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

### Major Point Events

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major Point tournament, points will be assigned to eligible participants (Iowa Section Senior PGA Members) only. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

- A. Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship 300 Points
- B. Iowa PGA Professional Championship 200 Points
- C. Match Play Championship 300 Points
- D. Iowa PGA Shootout 200 Points
- E. 36-Hole Classic 200 Points

### Iowa Open (Senior Division)

Participate 50 points

Make Cut (get total of) 75 points  
 Top 10 (get total of) 100 points  
 Win Event (get total of) 150 points

National Point Event

National Point Event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level to receive qualifying points for national events.

Any PGA TOUR Champions Event (Principal Charity Classic)

Participate via exemption 70 points  
 Participate via Event Qualifier (Get total of) 150 points  
 Top 20 (Get total of) 250 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Senior PGA Professional Championship

Participate 70 points  
 Make First Cut (Get total of) 150 points  
 Make Second Cut (Get total of) 200 points  
 Top 35 & ties (Get total of) 250 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any Senior Major Championship (The Tradition, Senior PGA Championship, U.S. Senior Open, Senior Players Championship and the Senior Open Championship)

Participate 300 points  
 Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points  
 Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

*Note 1: Those who qualify for US Senior Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 30 Super Senior Player of the Year Points.*

Iowa Section PGA Super Senior Tournament Point Breakdown

Place	A	B	2	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-17	18+
1	300	200	70	70	70	70	70	70
2	225	150	50	50	50	50	50	50

3	200	100		20	30	30	40	40
4	195	75		5	20	25	35	35
5	190	60			10	20	30	30
6	185	55			5	15	25	25
7	180	50				10	20	20
8	175	45				8	15	18
9	170	40				6	12	15
10	165	30					10	14
11	160	25					8	10
12	155	22					6	9
13	150	20						8
14	145	18						7
15	140	16						6
16	135	14						5
17	130	12						4
18	125	10						
19	120	8						
20	115	6						
21	110	5						
22	105							
23	100							
24	95							
25	90							
26	85							
27	80							
28	75							
29	70							
30	65							
31	60							
32	55							
33	50							
34	45							
35	40							
36	35							
37	30							
38	25							

39	20							
40	15							
41	10							
42	5							

The Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship and Match Play Championship will be based on the 300-point scale (A), while the Iowa PGA Professional Championship, Senior Match Play, Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 200-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales (C). The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

## **Section 6. Legends PGA Player of the Year**

### Eligible Participants

All Iowa Section Class "A" members in good standing who have reached their 65th birthday on or before the date of the tournament.

### 18-Hole Minor Point Event

Minor point events are defined by "single-day Iowa Section sanctioned events with a designated legends division entry" and approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Minor point tournament, points will be awarded to eligible participants only. All eligible participants will be separated and included on an inclusive list for points to be distributed. One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point event will use the 70-point scale.

### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major point event, this 36-hole minor point event scale will be used. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

### Major Point Events

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be

approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major Point tournament, points will be assigned to eligible participants (Iowa Section Senior PGA Members) only. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

- F. Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship 300 Points
- G. Iowa PGA Professional Championship 200 Points
- H. Match Play Championship 300 Points
- I. Iowa PGA Shootout 200 Points
- J. 36-Hole Classic 200 Points

#### Iowa Open (Super Senior Division)

Participate 50 points  
Make Cut (get total of) 75 points  
Top 10 (get total of) 100 points  
Win Event (get total of) 150 points

#### National Point Event

National Point Event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level to receive qualifying points for national events.

#### Any PGA TOUR Champions Event (Principal Charity Classic)

Participate via exemption 70 points  
Participate via Event Qualifier (Get total of) 150 points  
Top 20 (Get total of) 250 points  
Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

#### Senior PGA Professional Championship

Participate 70 points  
Make First Cut (Get total of) 150 points  
Make Second Cut (Get total of) 200 points  
Top 35 & ties (Get total of) 250 points  
Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any Senior Major Championship (The Tradition, Senior PGA Championship, U.S. Senior Open, Senior Players Championship and the Senior Open Championship)

- Participate 300 points
- Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points
- Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points
- Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

*Note 1: Those who qualify for US Senior Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 30 Legends PGA Player of the Year Points.*

**Iowa Section PGA Legends Division Tournament Point Breakdown**

<b>Place</b>	<b>A</b>	<b>B</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3-4</b>	<b>5-8</b>	<b>9-12</b>	<b>13-17</b>	<b>18+</b>
1	300	200	70	70	70	70	70	70
2	225	150	50	50	50	50	50	50
3	200	100		20	30	30	40	40
4	195	75		5	20	25	35	35
5	190	60			10	20	30	30
6	185	55			5	15	25	25
7	180	50				10	20	20
8	175	45				8	15	18
9	170	40				6	12	15
10	165	30					10	14
11	160	25					8	10
12	155	22					6	9
13	150	20						8
14	145	18						7
15	140	16						6
16	135	14						5
17	130	12						4
18	125	10						
19	120	8						
20	115	6						
21	110	5						
22	105							
23	100							
24	95							
25	90							
26	85							

27	80							
28	75							
29	70							
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34	45							
35	40							
36	35							
37	30							
38	25							
39	20							
40	15							
41	10							
42	5							

The Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship and Match Play Championship will be based on the 300-point scale (A), while the Iowa PGA Professional Championship, Senior Match Play, Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 200-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales (C). The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

**Section 7. Women’s PGA Player of the Year**

Eligible Participants

All Female Iowa Section Class "A" members and Associate Members “B” in good standing.

18-Hole Minor Point Event

Minor point events are defined by "single-day Iowa Section sanctioned events” approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Minor point tournament, points will be awarded to eligible participants only. All eligible participants will be separated and included on an inclusive list for points to be distributed. One-day 18-Hole PGA Minor Point event will use the 70-point scale.

### 36-Hole Minor Point Events

36-Hole Minor Point Events are defined by "36-Hole Iowa Section sanctioned events that are not on the Major Point Event list" approved by the Tournament Committee. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major point event, this 36-hole minor point event scale will be used. When distributing points in a minor point tournament, points will be awarded between all eligible participants only. All eligible members will be competing between themselves for points (they will be on a separate scale that only includes eligible members only). 36-Hole PGA events that are not on the Major Point Event list will use the 140-point scale.

### Major Point Events

Major Point Event status is given based on the "Quality of the Field" and must be approved by the Tournament Committee. When distributing points in a Major Point tournament, points will be assigned to eligible participants (Iowa Section Senior PGA Members) only. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

- K. Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship 300 Points
- L. Iowa PGA Professional Championship 200 Points
- M. Match Play Championship 300 Points
- N. Iowa PGA Shootout 200 Points
- O. 36-Hole Classic 200 Points

### Iowa Open (Open Division)

- Participate 50 points
- Make Cut (get total of) 75 points
- Top 10 (get total of) 100 points
- Win Event (get total of) 150 points

### National Point Event

National Point Event status is given to events that denote national significance. The Iowa Section Tournament Committee has approved certain events to be considered significant; those events can be found below.

Other guidelines:

- 1) Players will receive qualifying points at the time he/she competes in that national event itself.
- 2) Professionals must compete at the national level to receive qualifying points for national events.

### Any LPGA Tour Event

Participate via exemption 70 points  
 Participate via Event Qualifier (Get total of) 150 points  
 Top 20 (Get total of) 250 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

PGA Professional Championship

Participate 70 points  
 Make First Cut (Get total of) 150 points  
 Make Second Cut (Get total of) 200 points  
 Top 35 & ties (Get total of) 250 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 500 points

Any LPGA Major Championship

Participate 300 points  
 Make Cut (Get total of) 500 points  
 Top 20 (Get total of) 750 points  
 Win Event (Get total of) 1500 points

*Note 1: Those who qualify for US Senior Open Sectional Qualifying will receive 30 Legends PGA Player of the Year Points.*

Iowa Section PGA Women’s Tournament Point Breakdown

Place	A	B	2	3-4	5-8	9-12	13-17	18+
1	300	200	70	70	70	70	70	70
2	225	150	50	50	50	50	50	50
3	200	100		20	30	30	40	40
4	195	75		5	20	25	35	35
5	190	60			10	20	30	30
6	185	55			5	15	25	25
7	180	50				10	20	20
8	175	45				8	15	18
9	170	40				6	12	15
10	165	30					10	14
11	160	25					8	10
12	155	22					6	9
13	150	20						8
14	145	18						7
15	140	16						6
16	135	14						5

17	130	12						4
18	125	10						
19	120	8						
20	115	6						
21	110	5						
22	105							
23	100							
24	95							
25	90							
26	85							
27	80							
28	75							
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34	45							
35	40							
36	35							
37	30							
38	25							
39	20							
40	15							
41	10							
42	5							

The Iowa Women’s PGA Professional Championship and Match Play Championship will be based on the 300-point scale (A), while the, Iowa PGA Shootout and 36-Hole Classic will be based on the 200-point scale (B). Minor point events will be based on the 70-point scales (C). The 36-Hole Minor Event points will be doubled from the 18-Hole Minor Event point scale. Participants that place lower than the last spot paid (listed above) will win last place points. All participants who no-card, withdraw, or become disqualified will not be awarded points. If there are less than five Iowa Section PGA Professionals competing in a Major Point Event, the 36-hole minor point event scale will be used.

The Iowa Women’s PGA Professional Championship will only award Women’s POY Points to Class A Professionals in good standing.

## **Section 8. Women's PGA Cup**

Each year the Committee, with the assistance of female PGA Members, needs to determine the six (6) open and/or Women's Championships that all female PGA Section Members can actively participate in and all are run/managed by our Section. To earn National Points, the player must participate in at least two of the Section events.

## **ARTICLE IX. EVENTS CONDITIONS AND DESCRIPTIONS**

### Sponsored Pro-Ams - Sponsor Provides Amateurs

The Host Professional Pro-Am tournaments are open to all Class "A", Life Members, and registered associate members. Host Pro-Ams must have a minimum of \$3,000 added money to be considered for an Iowa Section sanctioned "Monday" event. The sponsor or host professional provides the amateurs and sets the format of play provided there is an "individual ball" competition for the pros included. There will be no team competition for the Professionals unless otherwise informed by the host professional. All Host-Pro Amateur events are 18-Hole Minor Point Events.

If an event is split between two sites than the added money will be split evenly between both sites.

As an additional option the host professional may create another purse in addition to the \$3,000 given to the section for professionals to play for. This purse will be separate from the purse made by the Iowa PGA. If the host professional makes an additional purse all registered Class "A", Life Members, and registered associate members who signed up for the event must be entered to play for this money at no additional charge. The host professional may add as many players as they wish to be eligible for this additional purse.

### Genesis Pro-Am

If the Host Facility of a Sponsored Pro-Am wishes to have amateur players added to the field and act as the "Professional" of a group, the following rule applies.

Amateur registration will be allowed on the Tournament Information Page. Amateurs may register for this event to act as Professionals for the purpose of filling out the field.

All Iowa PGA Professionals who register for this event are guaranteed a spot in the field. All amateurs who register for this event will be placed on a waiting list and will be added to the field following the initial registration deadline. If the registration deadline is extended all Iowa PGA Professional who register will be added to the field, amateurs will be added to the field until the desired number of players is reached. Once the desired number of players is reached all additional amateurs will be added to a waiting list. The desired number of Professionals will be determined by the host facility.

All amateurs would play for a purse made up of the amateur entry fees. All amateur purses will be paid out in shop credit at the golf course they played at.

### Iowa PGA Season Long Match Play

Format: Players will be seeded according to the Master Points List kept by the Iowa PGA and player reputation.

When splitting the field based on Geography the players work address will be used unless we need to split up players at the same facility. When this is the case the players home address will be used.

This is a Major Point Event for PGA Player of the Year, Senior PGA Player of the Year, Assistant Player of the Year and Super Senior Player of the Year. Competitors apply points that they earn to their respective Player of the Year category. Example: If an associate member earns second place in the event, he/she will apply points won to the Assistant Player of the Year standings.

PGA POY Points – Based off the 300-point PGA Player of the Year Point Scale

Champion 300 Points

Runner-up 225 Points

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

Assistant POY Points – Based off the 300-point PGA Player of the Year Point Scale

Champion - 300

Runner-up - 225

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

Senior PGA POY – Based off the 300-point Senior PGA Player of the Year Point Scale

Champion - 300

Runner-up - 225

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

Super Senior PGA POY – Based off the 300-point Super Senior PGA POY Point Scale

Champion - 300

Runner-up - 225

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

Legends PGA POY – Based off the 300-point Legends PGA POY Point Scale

Champion - 300

Runner-up - 225

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

Women's POY – Based off the 300-point Women's POY Point Scale

Champion - 300

Runner-up - 225

Other points are split by place using the 300-point scale

The defending Champion of the Iowa PGA Match Play will receive the first overall seed.

#### Iowa PGA Season Long Senior Match Play

Format: Players will be seeded according to the Master Points List kept by the Iowa PGA and player reputation.

When splitting the field based on Geography the players work address will be used unless we need to split up players at the same facility. When this is the case the players home address will be used.

This is a Major Point Event for the Senior and Super Senior Play of the Years. A player must be 60 years old or older at the start of the Senior Match Play then that player will be eligible for both the Senior and Super Senior Player of the Year points.

Senior PGA POY – Based off the 200-point Senior PGA Player of the Year Point Scale  
Champion 200 Points  
Runner-up 150 Points  
Other points are split by place using the 200-point scale

Super Senior PGA POY – Based off the 200-point Super Senior PGA POY Point Scale  
Champion 200 Points  
Runner-Up 150 Points  
Other points are split by place using the 200-point scale

Legends PGA POY – Based off the 200-point Legends PGA POY Point Scale  
Champion - 200  
Runner-up - 150  
Other points are split by place using the 200-point scale

The defending Champion of the Iowa PGA Senior Match Play will receive the first overall seed.

#### Iowa PGA Professional Championship

The Iowa PGA Professional Championship is open to all Iowa Section Class "A" and Life Members in good standing. The added money will consist of PGA Professional Championship sponsor money and PGA Tour sponsorship added money. Entry fee for all competitors will be \$110 payable to the PGA of America. The format shall consist of a 54-hole stroke play. The Iowa PGA Professional Championship also serves as qualifying for the PGA Professional Championship. The Iowa PGA Professional Championship is a Major Point Event. A senior division will also be held for those competitors that are 50 years of age or older. Seniors must enter through the National office just like everyone else. The senior division will be considered a Major Point Event on the Senior PGA

schedule and Super Senior schedule. However, if there are less than 5 competitors competing in the Senior Division or Super Senior Division, it will be considered a 36-Hole Minor Point Event. After the entry deadline, the Tournament Director will contact all senior entrants to confirm which event(s), open, senior, or both they would like to compete in. All senior entries will be placed into the Open Division payout. If the senior professional opts to play in both divisions, an additional entry fee will be collected that will cover the additional division. Competitors have the option to walk during the competition with or without a caddie or use a motorized golf cart. Walking competitors are still subject to all extra charges at the facility for the competition.

The number of exemptions into the John Deere Classic and its qualifier are set by the PGA TOUR and the exact amount of qualifying spots will be updated based on this. The exemption into the John Deere Classic will go to the winner of the previous years Iowa PGA Professional Championship. Two of the Three exemptions into the John Deere Classic Open Qualifier will go to the next highest eligible finishers in the Iowa PGA Professional Championship. The final exemption into the John Deere Classic Qualifier will go to the highest finishing Class A Professional in the previous years Iowa PGA Shootout that is not already qualified.

If a player turns down an exemption into the John Deere Classic, or if they leave the section, the previous years PGA POY will receive the exemption. If this player also turns down the exemption or has left the section, the highest finishing Class A Professional of the previous years Iowa PGA Shootout will receive the exemption.

If a player turns down an exemption into the John Deere Classic Open Qualifier, or they leave the section, the next highest finisher in the previous year's Iowa PGA Professional Championship will receive the exemption. If there is a tie the tie breaker will be whomever is higher on the previous year's PGA POY list.

### Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship

The Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship is open to Iowa Section Class "A" and Life Members in good standing who have reached their 50th birthday on or before the first day of the tournament. If a player is not 50 years old on the first day of the Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship but they will turn 50 in time to be eligible for the Senior PGA Professional Championship then they will be eligible to play in the Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship but they will not be eligible for the purse, player of the year points, or the title of champion of this event. They are only eligible for the qualifying spots.

The format is a 36-hole stroke play tournament. The Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship is a Major Point Event for Senior Player of the Year and Super Senior Player of the Year. However, if there are less than 5 competitors competing in this event, it will be considered a 36-Hole Minor Point Event. The number of spots the Iowa Section is allocated is based upon the number of entries received by National before the deadline.

For more information, please contact the section office or the National office at 800-477-2776.

The champion of the Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship will receive an exemption into the following years Principal Charity Classic Event Qualifier if applicable. The number of exemptions into the Principal Charity Classic and its qualifier are set by the PGA TOUR Champions and the exact number of qualifying spots will be updated based on this.

If a player turns down an exemption into the Principal Charity Classic Event Qualifier, or they leave the section, the next highest finisher in the previous year's Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship will receive the exemption. If there is a tie the tie breaker will be whomever is higher on the previous year's Senior PGA POY list.

### Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship

The Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship is open to all Class "A-8" members of the Iowa Section, and registered associates in good standing. The Format is a 36-hole stroke play competition with qualifying spots into the Assistant PGA Professional Championship. The number of qualifying spots is determined by the number of entries received by the National Office. The Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship is a Major Point Event for the Assistant Player of the Year. Points will be awarded to registered associate members and A-8 members in good standing using the 300-point scale.

### 36-Hole Classic

The 36-Hole Classic is open to all Class "A", Life Members, and registered associates in good standing. The format will be a 36-hole stroke play event played over one day.

### Iowa PGA Shootout

The Iowa PGA Shootout is open to all Class "A", Life Members, and registered associates in good standing. The format will be a 36-hole stroke play event played over two days. The Iowa PGA Shootout (eliminating rain postponements) is to be the final point event on the Iowa Section Tournament schedule with Major Player of the Year status. \*If any Iowa PGA Professionals Qualify for the PGA Championship and are unable to participate in the Iowa PGA Professional Championship, the Iowa PGA Shootout will be used as the qualifying event for the John Deere Classic.

The highest finishing PGA Professional at the Iowa PGA Shootout will earn a spot in the following years John Deere Classic Open Qualifier. This is in effect as long as we have three exemptions into the Open Qualifier.

### Iowa Cup Matches

The format consists of the top 12 available Iowa Section Professionals vs. the top 12 available Iowa Amateurs. The Iowa PGA team will provide 10 players from the “Open Division” and 2 players from the “Senior Division.” Play will be two days with the first day being alternate shot matches and 4-ball matches. The second day will be single matches. All participants will receive 20 Player of the Year points for the division that they represent. Professionals must compete to receive Player of the Year points.

The team will consist of (in order):

- A. The previous year’s Iowa PPC Champion
- B. The previous year’s Iowa Senior PPC Champion
- C. The previous year’s Iowa Assistant PPC Champion
- D. The top 2 on the previous year’s Senior PGA Player of the Year list
- E. The top 6 on the previous year’s PGA Player of the Year list
- F. One Player’s Captain pick

Above is the order in which players will be selected to the team. As an example, if the previous year’s Iowa PPC Champion is also one of the top 6 on the previous year’s PGA Player of the Year points list then the spot would go to the seventh player on that list. **If a player declines the invitation to play in the Iowa Cup Matches the Player’s Captain shall pick a replacement.**

Once the team is decided the Player’s Captain will be responsible for deciding which players will represent the “Open” and “Senior” Divisions. Due to the process of picking the team it will have at least two players eligible for the Senior Division. Deciding which of the eligible seniors will play in that division will be up to the player’s captain.

If the Iowa Cup Matches are held after the Iowa PPC during a given year, then the Iowa Cup Matches Team will use the appropriate points lists starting immediately after the previous year’s Iowa PGA Professional Championship through the current year’s Iowa PGA Professional Championship. If the Iowa Cup Matches are held before the Iowa PPC during a given year, then the Iowa Cup Matches Team will use the previous year’s points lists.

The PGA Officers shall select an “Honorary Captain”

There will be an Honorary Captain and Player’s Captain. The Player’s Captain will be the Section Champion from the previous year. The Player’s Captain will have the right to appoint one "Captain Pick" to compose the team.

The Player’s Captain can use their captain’s picks on an Iowa PGA Associate Member in good standing however they must be at least level 2 by the completion of the current year’s Iowa PGA Professional Championship. **A maximum of one associate member is allowed on the Iowa PGA team, this means if an associate is already on the team as the Iowa Assistant PPC Champion then the Player’s Captain cannot pick another associate.**

Iowa PGA Pro-Assistant

The Pro-Assistant is open to all Class “A”, Life Members, and registered associates in good standing. The Pro-Assistant is a non-point event. All added sponsorship money (PGA TOUR or other sponsors) will be added to the Pro-Assistant Division only.

### Iowa PGA Assistant Cup

The Iowa PGA Assistant Cup will consist of two teams, one team will be 8 Iowa PGA Professionals and the other team will be 8 Iowa PGA Assistants. The Assistants team will be made up of Iowa PGA Professionals and Associates who are eligible for Assistant Player of the Year points. The PGA team will be made up of Iowa PGA Professionals who are not eligible for Assistant Player of the Year Points.

Each team must have a playing captain who is responsible for creating the pairings for the team. The Iowa PGA Tournament Committee will determine the procedures for selecting both teams. The procedures for selecting each team are listed below.

The PGA team will consist of the playing captain and the top 6 players on the Master Points List not already qualified. The playing captain will also have 1 captain’s pick. The cutoff dates for when the Master Points List is used is the beginning of the year ending after the Assistant Section Championship. The playing captain will be that years Section Champion, if they cannot play then the next highest finisher at the current years Section Championship will be captain, if needed we will continue down the leaderboard of the current years Section Championship to find a captain. Ties are broken via the Master Points List.

The Assistant team will consist of the playing captain and the top 6 Assistant Player of the Year of the current year not already qualified. The playing captain will also have 1 captain’s pick. The cutoff dates for which Assistant Player of the Year points are used is the beginning of the year ending after the Assistant Section Championship. The playing captain will be that years Assistant Section Champion, if they cannot play then the next highest finisher at the current years Assistant Section Championship will be captain, if needed we will continue down the leaderboard of the current years Assistant Section Championship to find a captain. Ties are broken via the Assistant Player of the Year list.

The exact format of this event will be located on the Tournament Information Page. The point system used for this event will be 1 point for a match win, ½ point for a match tie and 0 points for a match loss. During this event at least one session must be singles match play.

### Iowa PGA Team Challenge

Iowa PGA Challenge is now the Iowa PGA Team Challenge. There will be teams formed equally by the Iowa PGA Staff based on prior year participation, scoring average, ability and the Iowa PGA Master Points List.

16 Iowa PGA tournaments will feature a designated Iowa PGA Team Challenge hole to be picked by the host PGA Professional.

In order to qualify and earn 100% of the winnings, players must participate in 6 events to be fully invested. Players must play in a minimum of 2 events to receive a percentage payout. If an event is cancelled and a player was registered by the registration deadline, then that player receives credit for playing in that event for payout purposes.

2-3 Events Played = 25% payout

4-5 Events Played = 50% payout

6 Events Played = 100% payout

**Only birdies and better will make up a team's Iowa PGA Team Challenge score. The team with the lowest cumulative score relative to par at the end of the season wins.**

In the case of ties, prize money will be split.

Updated Standings and schedule will be made available at [www.iowapga.com](http://www.iowapga.com)

#### **ARTICLE X. LOW STROKE AVERAGE**

The Iowa Section PGA will be acknowledging the golf professional with the low scoring average in relation to par for the year. To be eligible, you must be either a Class "A" member, a Life Member, or an associate and must play in a minimum of 10 Iowa Section PGA staff administered rounds that are included on the Player of the Year schedule. Those that no-card or withdraw in the middle of a round for reasons other than injury or emergency will not be included in the final standings. In order for a tournament to count towards the low stroke average the course must have at least a par 70 layout.

#### **ARTICLE XI. HOLE IN ONE CLUB**

The purpose of this club is to earn a cash bonus for scoring a verified hole-in-one during any Iowa Section PGA administered event. The club is open to all Class "A" members, Life Members and Associate Members of the Iowa Section PGA in good standing. Enrollment in the Hole in One Club costs \$25 per year. The year consists of Iowa PGA administered events conducted from April 1st through March 31st of the next year. The Iowa Cup Matches are considered an Iowa PGA sanctioned event every year. Las Vegas Pro-Am is included as a valid tournament. Any hole-in-one will count during an Iowa PGA sanctioned event even if the event has been suspended and/or cancelled after the round has started.

#### **ARTICLE XII. MASTER POINTS LIST**

The Master Points List is a combined Player of the Year points list kept by the Iowa PGA Staff. The purpose of this list is to rank each player in the Iowa PGA regardless of what division they play in during each event. The Master Points List Leaderboard for each

event will be compiled by using players gross score. The points each player is given will be based off the PGA POY Points table.

The Master Points List is used for seeding purposes only and will be used for the following years Match Play, Senior Match Play and Team Challenge.

### **ARTICLE XIII. PRO-AM POINT QUOTA**

The Pro-Am Point Quota list is used to determine the handicap of professionals and amateurs who have played in past Iowa PGA Events. The purpose of this list is to ensure the accuracy of each professional and amateurs handicap for every Iowa PGA Pro-Am. A player's point quota is determined by using the original handicap of the player and adjusting the next events handicap by half of the plus/minus scored in the event. Each player's point quota will be adjusted following each round played in an Iowa PGA events including the Iowa PGA Las Vegas Pro-Am starting in 2020.

The maximum starting point quota for an Iowa PGA Professional or Associate for any event will be 42 and the minimum starting point quota will be 28. During the Las Vegas Pro-Am this will only be in effect for round 1 as you may go beyond these thresholds for rounds 2 and 3.

All players' handicap index will be checked before the event. A player's handicap quota (as kept by the Iowa PGA Pro-Am Point Quota List) must be within 6 shots of their handicap index or it will be adjusted to a maximum of 6 shots from their established handicap index.

The maximum number of shots a player's quota can change between events is 6 shots as kept by the Iowa PGA Pro-Am Point Quota List. If a player's quota would change by more than this based off of the previous events performance, it will be adjusted to a 6 shot difference.

### **ARTICLE XIV. PRO-AM HANDICAPPING**

When handicapping is required for players in Iowa PGA events, the players handicap will be calculated as of the registration deadline. This is applicable only to players who have not yet established a point quota in Iowa PGA events

### **ARTICLE XV. TOURNAMENT PROCEDURES**

The Board of Directors, to assist the Professional when hosting a Section sponsored event, has approved the following information. It is suggested that if you are hosting a tournament, whether Section sponsored or one of your own, that you use this information as a checklist during your tournament preparation. An official Host Pro Checklist will be emailed or faxed to each Professional prior to his/her tournament.

#### **Section 1. Course Set-up and Preparation**

### Marking the Course

The course must be properly marked with paint on the ground. The course is to be marked by the host pro unless arrangements with the Tournament Director have been made for him/her to mark the course. Markings include:

Penalty Areas – Paint on the ground

Ground Under Repair – Paint on the ground

Drop Areas – Paint on the ground

Out of Bound – White stakes or white stakes with paint on the ground

### Hole Locations & Tee Settings

Hole locations and the quality of the field and nature of the tournament shall determine tee settings. Particulars to consider include, Pace of Play and entertainment of amateurs. Consult the Tournament Director and Superintendent prior to setting the course.

Note: When setting the hole locations in a Pro-Am, the purpose of the event is to ENTERTAIN the AMATEURS. Please place all hole locations in the friendliest positions on each green. Iowa PGA Tournament Director will contact course superintendent prior to the event to ensure the course is set up in a fair manner.

Pros and amateurs should play from the same tees. Only exception to this will be during all Pro-Am events – Senior amateurs 60 & older will play from modified tees that range from 5,800 – 6,000 yards.

Male Senior Amateurs 65 & Older will play from modified tees that range from 5,400-5,600 Yards. If there is no tee is shorter than 5,600 yards, then the male amateurs 65 & Older will play from the furthest forward tee box on each hole.

Senior Female Amateurs (60 and over) will play from a forward tee compared to female amateurs (59 and under) and female professionals. This will only be in effect if the host facility has a tee closer than the normal female amateur and professional tee being used. If the facility does not have a tee available, then all female amateurs will play from the same tee.

Female Professionals who are playing in the event shall play the course at 85% of the distance that the male professionals play.

### Male Course Distance Requirements for Minor Point Events

- a. Par 72-6500 yards
- b. Par 71-6300 yards
- c. Par 70-6100 yards

The Iowa PGA Reserves the right to change the distance of the course to best serve each event's needs. These distance changes include course conditions, weather and the desired difficulty of the event.

### Condition of Course

The Host Professional, Host Superintendent and Tournament Director will decide if the course is fit for play. "A Preferred Lies" ruling will be made by The Committee as a last resort to complete the round.

#### Guidelines:

A proper pick, clean and place will be used to substitute.

Preferred lies will be played in your fairway only. Any alteration of that must be announced before start of play.

Every effort possible shall be made by the host pro and superintendent to start, resume or complete play within the designated dates of the tournament.

### **Section 2. Discontinuance of Play**

Due to circumstances beyond our control, if play is to be discontinued, the decision is to be made by The Committee administering the tournament. The delay signal is to be one long horn or siren blast. All competitors must mark their position on the course and may not resume play until authorized by The Committee.

#### DECLARING A WINNER

If completion of the tournament is not possible, the following regulations will be enforced:

**A. One-day Pro-Ams and opens started by tee times and shotgun:**

If all have completed the same 9 holes the event counts, all holes completed by every player will count towards the final scores. If the completed 9 holes are not the same, the tournament is washed out.

**B. If rescheduling is impossible in double shotgun events:**

If one shotgun completes all or enough holes to declare winners and the other shotgun does not, those completing play will play for the proportional amount of the pot, and all other entries and sponsor monies will be returned. If one shotgun completes 9 holes and the other completes 18 holes then two separate pots are played for and all Player of the Year points are cancelled.

**C. Multi-day tournaments:**

If play is discontinued the first day or any subsequent day of the tournament that is not the last day, all players shall return to their marked positions and continue play the next day. If time will not allow completion for the next day, that round will be a wash out. If play is discontinued the last day of the tournament, previous day's scores

will determine the championship except that each 9 holes completed by all players the final day will be added to their previous scores.

D. Iowa PGA Professional Championship:

36 holes must be completed to determine the Section Champion, and if not, the tournament will be rescheduled. All holes counted toward the championship must be played by all contestants (no computing to par).

E. Section Match Play Championship:

Delays in the Match Play may involve a change in format to be determined by the tournament committee. All matches completed are final and subsequent matches will be played at a later date.

### **Section 3. Miscellaneous**

#### Playoffs:

The Iowa PGA Professional Championship, Iowa Senior PGA Professional Championship, Iowa Assistant PGA Professional Championship, 36 Hole Classic, Iowa PGA Shootout and the Iowa Open will have playoffs if necessary. These events will have a playoff for first place as well as any qualifying spots. The Iowa PGA reserves the right to have a playoff for additional events.

Additional playoffs must be noted before play begins involving the guidelines and specifications in which it will be held. When a playoff is to be used, the format will be for first place money and points. All other competitors in the playoff will split money and points.

If a long period of time separates finishers and a lone championship is not necessary, a playoff is discouraged.

To decide ties for plaques in all Iowa Section PGA sanctioned team events when a playoff is not possible, a card-back by the guidelines set by the Tournament Director, using the same format that the event was contested.

#### Blind Draws:

If a blind draw is needed during an Iowa PGA Team Event the following guidelines will be used. If the blind draw is needed to replace an amateur in a point quota event, a random amateur with a like point quota will be chosen. When replacing an amateur in a non-point quota event a random amateur will be chosen. When replacing a professional in any event another professional will be chosen at random.

The player that is chosen as a blind draw will remain anonymous and will not have the option of paying an extra fee and share winning with additional team.

#### Staffing:

Staffing responsibilities include: Bagroom Staff, Range Staff, Cart Traffic, Club House Staff, Starters/Rangers, Parking, Pro Shop Staff

Media:

The Host Professional should make every effort to have the event covered by local newspaper, radio and TV. Invite the contact person from your local newspaper as a guest of the PGA, refer to Iowa's media guide with numbers and contact those listed. The Host Professional is responsible for faxing results to major newspapers upon completion of play.