

2025 Terms of the Competition

The PGA Open Series

Overall Prize Fund - £180,000 (£20,000 per Open Series Tournament)

1. Conditions of Play

- (i) The Open Series will comprise of nine 36-hole stroke play events, with 18 holes being played each day.
- (ii) Each stroke play event will have a maximum field of 156 competitors unless daylight hours dictate that the field requires reducing accordingly.
- (iii) There will be no cut for the second round, unless in exceptional, preauthorised circumstances. Such circumstances will be addressed in the individual Terms of the Competition for the specific event.
- (iv) In the event of a tie for first place, there will be a "hole-by-hole" play-off to determine the winner. The play-off holes are to be decided by the Tournament Director and will be published at each event. All players involved in the play-off, other than the Champion, will share second place.
- (v) Play shall be in accordance with PGA Tournament Regulations, the Rules of Golf as published by R&A Rules Ltd, PGA Local Rules and Terms of the Competition and the additional Local Rules of the host venue as approved by the Tournament Director.
- (vi) Each host region shall receive 80 spots into the field which will be determined by exemptions 3a) - 3d) below.

2. Eligibility for Entry

The Championship is open to the following:

- (i) All core PGA Members (Excluding class I and PCDM)
- (ii) Registered Assistant PGA Professionals.
- (iii) AGMS students who are registered as an Assistant PGA Professional.
- (iv) Tournament Assistants.

3. Exemptions

Assuming eligibility under Clause 2 is met, entries will be accepted sequentially from the following categories until the field is full.

- a) The top 25 entrants and ties from the host region 2024 Order of Merit, up to a limit of 30th place.
- b) Players 1 – 10 from each of the other 2024 Regional Orders of Merit and the WPGA Order of Merit.
- c) Winners of the:
 - 2024 PGA Professional
 - 2024 Coca-Cola Assistants
 - 2024 Senior PGA Championship
 - 2024 Women's PGA Championship
 - 2024 Women's PGA Assistants Championship
 - 2024 English PGA Championship
 - 2024 Irish PGA Championship
 - 2024 Scottish PGA Championship
 - 2024 Welsh PGA Championships
 - 2025 PGA Play-Offs



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Open Series events are considered higher ranking than clashing Regional and County tournaments for entrants in categories a)-c) above.

- d) The balance up to 80 host region players (see 1(v) above), allocated by date and time of entry.
- e) Entrants from outside of the host region by date and time of entry.
- f) For the Northern Open only – Up to 8 amateurs with a maximum WHS H.I. of 0.0. Amateur entries will be in addition to the 156 entries from the above categories.

4. Entry Fee (£GBP) and Closing Date

The entry fee for each event will be £100 (€115 for PGA in Ireland Open Series). The closing date for entries will be three weeks before round one of each event.

Information for Competitors and the draw shall be published two weeks prior to round one of each event.

Note: All entries and payments are to be processed on-line through PGA Members Players Club Accounts (BlueGolf). Access is through the PGA Members section of www.pga.info.

5. Withdrawal and Reserve Policy

Up to two days prior to round 1, each withdrawal from exemption category 3a) will be replaced by a player from the same exemption category until all reserves are exhausted within that category. After this point, the reserve list will revert to any remaining entrants within 3d) followed by 3e).

Up to two days prior to round 1, any host region players withdrawing from exemption categories 3b) – c) will be replaced by a host region player from 3d) until all reserves are exhausted within that category. After this point, the reserve list will revert to any remaining entrants within 3e).

Up to two days prior to round 1, any withdrawals from 3d) and 3e) will be replaced by the next entrant from the corresponding exemption category.

Within 2 days of round 1, any withdrawals will be replaced by entrants from the host region within category 3d) followed by 3e).



6. Open Series Events

PGA Region	Tournament Title	Venue	Date
PGA in England & Wales (North)	Manchester Open	Didsbury GC	Wednesday 23 rd – Thursday 24 th April
PGA in England & Wales (South West)	South West Open Series	Bovey Castle	Wednesday 7 th Thursday 8 th May
PGA in England (South)	Floating Tournament	Donnington Grove GC	Tuesday 27 th – Wednesday 28 th May
PGA in Scotland	Northern Open	Royal Dornoch GC	Wednesday 4 th – Thursday 5 th June
PGA in England (East)	East Region Open Series and Championship	Bishop's Stortford	Wednesday 25 th – Thursday 26 th June
PGA in England (South)	PGA Surrey Open	Cuddington	Monday 7 th – Tuesday 8 th July
PGA in England (Midlands)	Midland Open Series	Whittington Heath GC	Monday 28 th – Tuesday 29 th July
PGA in England & Wales (North)	Leeds Cup	Leeds GC	Wednesday 13 th – Thursday 14 th August
PGA in Ireland	PGA Open Series	Dundalk GC	Tuesday 2 nd – Wednesday 3 rd September

7. Open Series Stroke Play Prize Fund Breakdown (£GBP)

1.	£3,200.00	11.	£475.00	21.	£270.00	31.	£150.00
2.	£2,130.00	12.	£450.00	22.	£260.00	32.	£150.00
3.	£1,500.00	13.	£425.00	23.	£250.00	33.	£150.00
4.	£1,250.00	14.	£400.00	24.	£240.00	34.	£150.00
5.	£1,000.00	15.	£375.00	25.	£230.00	35.	£150.00
6.	£900.00	16.	£350.00	26.	£220.00	36.	£150.00
7.	£800.00	17.	£325.00	27.	£210.00	37.	£150.00
8.	£700.00	18.	£300.00	28.	£200.00	38.	£150.00
9.	£600.00	19.	£290.00	29.	£190.00	39.	£150.00
10.	£500.00	20.	£280.00	30.	£180.00	40.	£150.00

Total Prize Fund = £20,000 (€23,000)



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Note 1: Non-UK taxpayers (including the Republic of Ireland) are subject to withholding tax on all prize money won above the UK personal tax allowance threshold (income tax year 2025/26 - £12,570).

Note 2: To receive prize money, competitors must complete all rounds entered. All prize money is subject to 6% levy, with the exception of the PGA in Ireland Open Series where the prize money is subject to 10% levy.

Note 3: The PGA in Ireland Open Series prize fund will be paid in Euros using an exchange rate of €1.15 to the breakdown illustrated above.

8. Open Series OOM Prize Fund Breakdown (£GBP)

a) Prize Fund will be awarded as follows:

1= £2500

2= £2000

3= £1700

4= £1500

5= £1300

6= £1000

Total OOM Prize Fund = £10,000

b) Points at each Open Series Tournament will be allocated as follows:

1= 270	11= 130	21= 80	31= 50	41= 30	51= 10
2= 240	12= 125	22= 77	32= 48	42= 28	52= 9
3= 220	13= 120	23= 74	33= 46	43= 26	53= 8
4= 200	14= 115	24= 71	34= 44	44= 24	54= 7
5= 190	15= 110	25= 68	35= 42	45= 22	55= 6
6= 180	16= 105	26= 65	36= 40	46= 20	56= 5
7= 170	17= 100	27= 62	37= 38	47= 18	57= 4
8= 160	18= 95	28= 59	38= 36	48= 16	58= 3
9= 150	19= 90	29= 56	39= 34	49= 14	59= 2
10= 140	20= 85	30= 53	40= 32	50= 12	60+= 1

c) The best 5 results, out of the maximum of 9 tournaments, will count towards the OOM.

There is no minimum requirement on the number of Open Series events to be played in order to be eligible for the OOM.



9. 32nd PGA Cup

Points will be allocated to the leading twenty players in each Open Series tournament each year. In the event of a tie for any position, points will be split equally amongst the tied players. The top player in the aggregated points table over the two seasons as at the time of the selection of The PGA Cup team, and who is not already qualified via the PGA Professional Championship points table, will automatically qualify for The PGA Cup team providing the individual meets the criteria for entry to the Open Series at all times.

The top 5 points scores for each player will count towards each Member's cumulative points total for each of the two seasons, with the total points from each season being accumulated in year two to determine the qualifier for The PGA Cup team.

Points allocation will be as follows over the 2-year qualifying period:

Placing in OOM	Year 1 (2025)	Year 2 (2026)
1	20	30
2	19	28.5
3	18	27
4	17	25.5
5	16	24
6	15	22.5
7	14	21
8	13	19.5
9	12	18
10	11	16.5
11	10	15
12	9	13.5
13	8	12
14	7	10.5
15	6	9
16	5	7.5
17	4	6
18	3	4.5
19	2	3
20	1	1.5

8. PGA Rights

The PGA reserves the right to amend the Terms of the Competition.

