# KORN FERRY TOUR 2021 OPEN QUALIFYING APPLICATION FOR ENTRY



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	<u>R</u>	Respective Fees (Check)		
PGA T	OUR Member	\$100		
Korn Ferry Tour Member		\$100		
PGA T	OUR Champions Regular Member	\$100		
LOCALiQ Series Tournament Winner		\$100		
PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member		\$300		
Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada Member		\$300		
PGA T	OUR Series-China Member	\$300		
All othe	er Professionals and Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status:	\$450		
	Check enclosed is payable to the PGA Section.			
	Credit Card payments must be made on-line at			
TELEVISION, RADIO, MOTION PICTURE, PHOTOGRAPHIC, ELECTRONIC, INTERNET AND SIMILAR RIGHTS/DECLARATIONS: The undersigned hereby grants and assigns to PGA TOUR, inc., without limitation, the undersigned's individual television, radio, motion picture, photographic, electronic, internet" interactive Applications (as defined below) and all other media rights with respect to the undersigned's participation in the qualifying tournament or any portion thereof (i.e., at all times on-site during Tournament week and during any Tournament related activities), or any other footage of the undersigned that may be captured by or on behalf of PGA TOUR, with the understanding that PGA TOUR's use thereof shall be limited to the following: (1) advertising, promoting or publicizing the Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR charatible initiatives, tournaments or any broadcasts thereof; (2) live broadcasts during tournaments, (3) broadcasts or exhibitions on a recorded basis as part of a program or motion picture designed for instructional purposes without necessary in the rights granted hereunder be used in any program or motion picture designed for instructional purposes without necessary with the rights granted hereunder be used in any program or motion picture designed for instructional purposes without necessary with the rights granted hereunder be used in any program or motion picture designed for instructional purposes without necessary that it is not any and all media now known or hereafter developed. "Interactive Applications" shall mean the presentation in any medium in a way that permits the viewer to interact with or manipulate the presentation or access other relevant information during the presentation in any endial during the Tournament is permitted to the extent provided in the Korn Ferry Tour Guidelines for Players Posting/Streaming to Social Media Guidelines") and agrees to comply with the Social Media Guidelines. The undersigned agrees to refine from any action which will interfere with PGA TOUR sownership of the fights hereund				
Note: Open Qualifying contestants <u>MUST</u> use equipment which conforms to the Condition of Competition for Groove Specifications (see below).				
Original Signature of Applicant (REQUIRED for application to be accepted)				

(If paying by check, please send this form and payment to the PGA Section, listed in Exhibit A)

Exhib	<u>i<b>t A</b></u> – Open	Qualifying Procedures & Information Sheet
Pages	3 - 4 to be kept	by the applicant
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### Procedures & Information:

#### Field Size

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#### <u>Format</u>

Play will be 18-holes of stroke play. There will be a minimum of four (4) qualifying spots with normally eight (8) spots available. To the extent possible, hole-by-hole playoffs for qualifying positions shall be conducted immediately following the completion of qualifying competition play. It is not necessary to identify alternates, since a withdrawal by one of the eight open qualifiers will result in that qualifier being replaced with a player on the Korn Ferry Tour alternate list. The PGA Section will split the field (at random) between two or more courses. All qualifying and alternate positions will be prorated based on the number of contestants at each course. REQUESTS FOR A SPECIFIC GOLF COURSE OR ANY OTHER REQUESTS WILL NOT BE GRANTED. PGA TOUR reserves the right to change the format, venue(s), qualifying spots and allotments, and other criteria set forth herein as presently contemplated due to adverse weather or other circumstances (see Reduction & Cancellation below).

Upon approval by the on-site PGA TOUR Rules Official or designee of the Open Qualifying site round scores and prior to starting a hole by hole playoff, contestants that earn a qualifying position are in the field of the above-named tournament. In the event of a tie for the last Open Qualifying position, a separate hole-by-hole playoff competition will be conducted to determine the player(s) that will earn the remaining qualifying position(s) for the above-named tournament.

Prior to the approval of the round scores at an Open Qualifying site, an Open Qualifying contestant who gains entry into the field of the above-named tournament shall be removed from the Open Qualifying competition, even if the player has completed his Open Qualifying round and returned his scorecard.

A contestant competing in an Open Qualifying hole-by-hole playoff that gains a position in the field via the alternate list of the above-named tournament shall be removed from the hole-by-hole playoff.

A contestant competing in an Open Qualifying hole-by-hole playoff that earns an Open Qualifying position is in the field of the above-named tournament and is removed from the alternate list.

### **Entry Deadline**

All players must enter by the applicable deadline. Deadline for members of the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and Regular Members of PGA TOUR Champions shall be 5:00 pm local time on the Friday preceding the Open Qualifying. Deadline for receipt at the PGA Section office of entries by eligible players (professional golfers and amateurs with attested handicaps of 2 or less) shall be 5 pm (local tournament site time) on the Wednesday preceding the Open Qualifying competition. Entries late or incomplete are not acceptable. Faxed entries with a valid credit card will be accepted. Telephone entries will NOT be accepted. The PGA Section is not responsible for rejected credit cards or the timely performance of the US Postal Service or any other delivery service.

#### **Entry Fees**

The Open Qualifier entry fee is set by the Korn Ferry Tour from time to time. The entry fee for the Open Qualifier is:

- (a) \$100 for Korn Ferry Tour members, PGA TOUR Champions regular members, PGA TOUR members and LOCALiQ Series Tournament Winners.
- (b) \$300 for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members, Mackenzie Tour-PGA TOUR Canada members and PGA TOUR Series-China members (c) \$450 for all other entrants.

Entry fee must accompany application and be payable in cash, cashier's check, money order, traveler's check, debit card or credit card. Personal checks will only be accepted from members of: the PGA of America; the PGA TOUR; the Korn Ferry Tour; or PGA TOUR Champions regular members. Entry fee includes: green fee; range usage on the competition day(s) and, for the successful qualifiers, entry fee and insurance for the tournament proper.

## **Eligibility**

Professionals and Amateurs with a handicap index when applied to the qualifying course slope will generate a handicap of two (2) or less. The Korn Ferry Tour reserves the right to verify the handicap index of amateurs and to refuse anyone not meeting the requirements.

## **Starting Times**

Starting times will be available after 8:00 am on the Saturday preceding the Open Qualifying competition at: The Section office; the host facilities; or on the web at the address listed above. Starting times and groupings are made at the discretion of the PGA Section and Korn Ferry Tour and specific requests will not be granted.

### **Withdrawals**

Applicants must withdraw prior to the entry deadline to be eligible for an entry fee refund. Other refunds will be given only in the case of injury or other disability which requires medical attention, serious personal emergency, if the player becomes eligible for a Korn Ferry Tour or PGA TOUR event, or any other situation covered by the Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations. No other refunds will be given.

Contestants who withdraw during the round may be subject to disciplinary action.

### **Practice Rounds**

Practice rounds must be arranged with host facilities. Practice round fees are at the discretion of the host facilities.

## **Rules of Golf**

Play shall be governed in accordance with the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, as modified by the Korn Ferry Tour Local Rules and Terms of the Competition card (Hard Card) and supplemented by the Notice to Competitors. Questions or disputes (including equipment rulings) shall be settled by the on site Rules Committee appointed by the PGA TOUR, whose decision shall be final.

## **Distance Measuring Devices**

For play in Open Qualifying, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If during the stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3a(1).

# **Guidance on Use of Cell Phones During Round**

The use of cell phones in an Open Qualifier tournament is typically prohibited by Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations; although the Rules Committee may allow use of cell phones during a round due to the new protocols in place to combat the spread of COVID-19. When allowed, the following general uses of cell phones by players and caddies during a round are allowed: checking the leaderboard in the tournament, use as a compass, getting distance information by using as an electronic distance-measuring device, getting any type of weather information (including

wind speed) that is available from weather forecasts, measuring temperature and humidity at the course. A Notice to Competitors on what is allowed and not allowed will be provided to the competitors by the Section.

## **Groove Specifications**

Open Qualifying contestants <u>MUST</u> use equipment which conforms to the Local Rule for Groove and Punch Mark Specifications as implemented in the PGA TOUR, Champions Tour and Korn Ferry Tour Local Rules and Terms of the Competition (Hard Card). The complete specifications for grooves in elite competitions along with a public database listing conformity of many clubs can be found at <u>USGA.org</u> (click on Playing > Equipment > Club & Ball Lists > Informational Club Database) or by contacting the USGA Equipment Standards Department at (908) 234-2300. Players should confirm that their equipment conforms to the new specifications well in advance of the competition and should be aware that conforming equipment must be used in Open Qualifying.

If, before the competition, a player has doubt as to the conformity of a club, PGA Section officials will attempt to determine the status of the club(s), but play will not be delayed in doing so. There will be no on-site field testing for groove conformity at Open Qualifying. If the club(s) in question is not listed on the public database listing conformity of clubs, the club shall not be used in the competition.

In the event that it is discovered that a player's club(s) do not conform after the close of the competition, the provisions of Rule 20 of the Rules of Golf shall apply.

### Spike Policy

The use of traditional metal spikes is permitted during the Competition. Soft spikes may be required during practice rounds at the discretion of the host facilities.

### **Transportation**

Players and Caddies shall walk at all times during qualifying rounds, except when permitted to ride by the Rules Committee. Players are not required to have a caddie; they may carry their clubs or use a manual or motorized pull cart.

Anyone seeking a golf cart due to a disability defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact the PGA TOUR Competition Department at 904/285-3700 to obtain information on procedures for submitting such requests. All such request due to temporary injuries or impairments that do not qualify as a "disability" under the ADA will not be granted.

## **Appearance**

Players: While on the host facility property, players shall present a neat appearance in both clothing and personal grooming. Blue jeans, cutoffs, T-shirts or shirts with no collar shall not be worn. Players are permitted to wear golf shorts which are knee length, tailored and neat in appearance. Compression leggings worn underneath shorts must be solid in color.

Caddies: While on the host facility property, caddies may wear either long pants or tailored solid colored knee length shorts or skorts. Blue jeans, cutoffs, T-shirts or shirts with no collar shall not be worn. Smooth rubber sole shoes are required. Sandals, open toe shoes, and golf shoes with traditional metal or soft spikes are prohibited.

#### Conduct

While on host facility property during qualifying rounds; players and caddies shall conduct themselves in a professional manner. PGA TOUR reserves the right to remove a player from the qualifying competition for; non competitiveness; conduct unbecoming a professional by the player; conduct unbecoming a professional by the players' caddie.

### **Reduction or Cancellation**

Any reduction or cancellation in the respective qualifying competition shall be in accordance with Reduction/Cancellation Guidelines as found in the Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations. In the event that the competition is canceled without <u>any</u> player having been able to play, all entry fees will be refunded. In the event the competition is canceled <u>after</u> play has begun, all entry fees will be refunded, minus a \$25 administrative charge per player.

If in the judgment of the on-site PGA TOUR Rules Official or designee, whose decision shall be final, conditions render commencement or continuation of tournament play inadvisable, play shall be postponed until such time as the PGA TOUR Rules Official or designee determines that such weather conditions or other occurrences or conditions have improved sufficiently for play to commence or resume.

In situations involving adverse weather conditions or any other occurrence or condition, our first priority is the completion of the qualifying competition. Every effort will be made to achieve this objective by the end of the scheduled competition day.

In the event the qualifying competition cannot be completed by the end of the scheduled competitive day, play will be extended. Every effort will be made to complete the qualifying competition as soon as possible. The Open Qualifying competition will not continue beyond the end of the day immediately preceding the first scheduled tournament round of the competition. In the event one or more of the 18-hole Open Qualifying contestants cannot be identified, those qualifying spots will be filled by the next available players on the Korn Ferry Tour Alternate List.
PGA TOUR reserves the right to change the format, venue(s), qualifying spots and other criteria as presently contemplated. In such cases, the decision of the on-site PGA TOUR Official in charge shall be final.