

Web.com Tour  
2016 OPEN QUALIFYING  
APPLICATION FOR ENTRY



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**Tournament** \_\_\_\_\_

**Open Qualifying**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

1. Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Course: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**Entry Deadline:** Entries must be received at the PGA Section office by 5:00pm (local time) on the Wednesday preceding the Open Qualifying competition, except for Web.com Tour, PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR Champions Regular Members, for which the deadline is 5:00 pm local time on the Friday preceding the Open Qualifying. Entries late or incomplete are not acceptable. Faxed entries with a valid credit card will be accepted. Telephone entries will NOT be accepted.

(Please print or type)

Name in full: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City State Zip

Telephone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ (required field)

Club Affiliation (if any) \_\_\_\_\_

Check status:

- 2015-2016 Season PGA TOUR Member
- 2016 Web.com Tour Member
- 2016 PGA TOUR Champions Regular Member
- 2016 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member
- 2016 PGA TOUR Canada Member
- 2016 PGA TOUR China Member
- PGA of America Member or Apprentice
- Other Professional
- Foreign Professional and name of golf organization/tour \_\_\_\_\_
- Amateur/Player Seeking Amateur Status and USGA Index \_\_\_\_ (Fill out section below)

Handicap Established at (name of course) \_\_\_\_\_

Location \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Head Pro \_\_\_\_\_ Signature of Head Pro \_\_\_\_\_

	<u>Respective Fees (Check)</u>
PGA TOUR Member	\$100 _____
Web.com Tour Member	\$100 _____
Champions Tour Regular Member	\$100 _____
PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member	\$300 _____
PGA TOUR Canada Member	\$300 _____
PGA TOUR China Member	\$300 _____
All other Professionals and Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status:	\$450 _____

- Check enclosed is payable to the Section
- Charge my Visa or Master card: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp Date: \_\_\_\_\_
- Print full name as it appears on the card: \_\_\_\_\_
- CVC Number (Last 3 digits on back of card): \_\_\_\_\_
- Billing Address (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Cardholder acknowledges receipt of goods and/or services in the amount of the total shown hereon and agrees to perform the obligations set forth in the Cardholder's agreement with the Issuer.

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 PGA TOUR Entertainment or its contractors with the undersigned's permission, with the understanding that PGA TOUR's use thereof shall be limited to the following: (1) advertising, promoting or publicizing the Web.com Tour, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR charitable 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 of tournaments or year-end summaries of sports award programs or any news of sports news programs; provided, that in no case shall the rights granted hereunder be used in any program or motion picture designed for instructional purposes without the express written consent of the player(s) involved; and (4) live or taped non-exclusive updates. "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. The undersigned agrees to refrain from any action which will interfere with PGA TOUR's ownership of the rights hereunder granted and assigned to PGA TOUR or with any authorized use thereof. The undersigned also agrees to abide by and be governed by the PGA TOUR Tournament Regulations currently in effect (and, if a member of PGA TOUR, attest that a copy thereof has been furnished to me) and by the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, subject to any modifications thereof approved by PGA TOUR.

The undersigned hereby declares that they have the financial capacity to support themselves on the Web.com Tour for one full year and that the foregoing information furnished by player in the Application is true and complete; and understands that any material false statements herein furnished by player may result in their expulsion from the Tournament and the suspension or termination of their playing privileges in tournaments cosponsored, approved or endorsed by PGA TOUR.

By submission of this entry, I agree to the following:

- I agree to the regulations on Exhibit A included herewith and I agree that my entry is subject to rejection at any time.
- I agree that certain risks are inherent to the game of golf and accept personal and sole liability for all such risks.
- I agree that the responsibility of insuring this application is received by the Section by no later than the applicable entry deadline as set forth on Exhibit A is mine alone and that this application will be automatically rejected if it is received by the Section after such date and time.
- I agree that the risk of delay lies solely with me and that the Section has no liability with respect to any such delay and the consequences there from, including rejection of this entry.
- I agree that the application must be completely executed before I will be entered in the Tournament.

**Note: Open Qualifying contestants MUST use equipment which conforms to the Condition of Competition for Groove Specifications (see below).**

\_\_\_\_\_  
**Original Signature of Applicant (REQUIRED for application to be accepted)**

Please send or fax this form and payment information to the PGA Section, listed in Exhibit A

## **Exhibit A – Open Qualifying Procedures & Information Sheet**



*Pages 3 - 4 to be kept by the applicant*

Tournament: \_\_\_\_\_  
PGA Section: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
Website: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Open Qualifying**

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### ***Procedures & Information:***

#### **Field Size**

*To be completed by PGA Section...*

#### **Format**

Play will be 18-holes of stroke play. There will be a minimum of four (4) qualifying spots with normally twelve (12) spots available. Any ties for the final qualifying spot(s) or alternate positions will be settled by a hole-by-hole playoff commencing immediately following the completion of play. 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).

#### **Entry Deadline**

All players must enter by the applicable deadline. Deadline for members of the PGA TOUR, Web.com 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 Web.com Tour from time to time. The entry fee for the Open Qualifier is:

- (a) \$100 for Web.com Tour members, PGA TOUR Champions regular members and PGA TOUR members
- (b) \$300 for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members, PGA TOUR Canada members and PGA TOUR 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 Web.com 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 Web.com 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 Web.com Tour and specific requests will not be granted.

### **Withdrawals & Tournament Alternates**

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 Web.com Tour or PGA TOUR event, or any other situation covered by the Web.com Tour Tournament Regulations. No other refunds will be given.

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

Tournament alternates who gain access to the tournament via the Web.com Tour alternate list will be notified (if possible) prior to the close of the competition. Until the Open Qualifying competition has closed and the scores have been approved by the Web.com Tour official in charge, any player gaining access to the tournament via the Web.com Tour alternate list will be removed from the Open Qualifying competition, even if that player has completed his round.

### **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 Web.com Tour Local Rules and Conditions of Competition 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.

### **Groove Specifications**

Open Qualifying contestants **MUST** use equipment which conforms to the Condition of Competition for Groove Specifications as implemented in the PGA TOUR, Champions Tour and Web.com Tour Local Rules and Conditions of 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 [USGA.org](http://USGA.org) (click on Equipment > Conforming 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 34 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, shorts, cutoffs, T-shirts or shirts with no collar shall not be worn.

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 Web.com Tour Tournament Regulations. In the event that the competition is canceled without any player having been able to play, all entry fees will be refunded. In the event the competition is canceled after 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 Web.com 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.