ELIGIBILITY

Entries are open to professional golfers, amateur golfers, and applicants for reinstatement who have reached their 50th birthday by June 29, 2017. Amateurs and applicants for reinstatement must have an up-to-date Handicap Index® based on ratings for men not exceeding 7.4 under the USGA Handicap System®. A Handicap Index must be issued from a “golf club” (as defined in the USGA Handicap System Manual) which is licensed to use the USGA Handicap System. The USGA accepts an up-to-date handicap issued from the international body of golf that would be equivalent to a USGA Handicap Index® within the prescribed limit for entry into the Championship. For this Championship, any reference to gender applies to all genders.

Age: Player’s date of birth is required on all USGA entry forms.

Amateur Status: All amateur players must conform to the USGA Rules of Amateur Status. If the player will be participating in this competition as an amateur or applicant for reinstatement and will be receiving expenses from sources other than family members to participate in this competition, please refer to Rule 4 of the Rules of Amateur Status.

Code of Conduct: The USGA may reject an entry application, revoke an accepted application, or suspend a player from future championships if the player engages in conduct detrimental to the integrity and image of the game of golf and/or public confidence in the USGA. Such conduct may include, but is not limited to, damage to the golf course or the player’s equipment, verbal or physical abuse of spectators, officials, volunteers, or staff, blatant or excessive profanity, disorderly behavior, failure to abide by club rules, or any other unbecoming conduct.

Equipment Permitted Conditionally for Medical Reasons: Players who wish to request permission to use items on the List of Equipment Permitted Conditionally for Medical Reasons or to proceed under Exception 1 to Rule 14-3, should refer to the Championship trophy has been presented.

ENTRIES: FORM, FEE, CLOSING DATE

All players, including those exempt, must file an entry application. Players must file online at the USGA website (www.usga.org). Only those players for whom blank entries are filed by the USGA as noted in the section on exemptions will not be required to submit entry applications. Only one entry may be filed per player. The USGA reserves the right to disqualify anyone who submits more than one entry. The entry fee of $200 must be paid by every player. Entry fee will be refunded regardless of reason if the player is notified (908-326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) before the close of entries. After the close of entries, fee will be refunded in the event of a further tie, play will immediately continue hole by hole until champion is determined. The play-off holes and their order of play will be determined by the USGA and posted not later than Sunday, July 2.

ENTRY APPLICATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY USGA NO LATER THAN 5 P.M. E.D.T. ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 10, 2017

Entry applications must be filed online at: www.usga.org/champs/apply Late applications are not accepted and will be automatically rejected.

Entries by telephone, telegraph, mail or FAX are not acceptable.

Time limit for entries means time of receipt at USGA (not time entry is transmitted to USGA). Entries should be submitted early to allow ample time for delay or error in transmission. The risk of delay or error in transmission lies solely with the entrant and the USGA will have no liability with respect to any such delay or error and the consequences therefore, including rejection of the entry.

SCHEDULE

Competition will be in two stages, at stroke play:

1. Sectional Qualifying – 18 holes. For all except exempt players listed herein. See schedule.

2. Championship – 72 holes. 156 players eligible, comprised of place-winners in Sectional Qualifying Rounds and those exempt from Sectional Qualifying.

THURSDAY, JUNE 29: First round, 18 holes.

FRIDAY, JUNE 30: Second round, 18 holes.

SIX lowest scorers and anyone tying for 60th place continue play. July 1 and 2; remainder eliminated after 36 holes.

SATURDAY, JULY 1: Third round, 18 holes.

SUNDAY, JULY 2: Fourth round, 18 holes.

LOWEST 72 penalized will be the medalist at the end of the event of a tie for the Championship, a three hole play-off will be held immediately following play. The winner will be the player with the lowest aggregate score for the play-off holes. In the event of a further tie, play will immediately continue hole by hole until champion is determined. The play-off holes and their order of play will be determined by the USGA and posted not later than Sunday, July 2.

PRIZES

WINNER: Gold medal and custody of the Francis Ouimet Trophy for the ensuing year, subject to such conditions as the USGA may establish.

RUNNER-UP: Silver medal.

PROFESSIONALS ONLY: To be announced.

AMATEURS RETURNING 72-HOLE SCORES: Lowest scorer - gold medal.

TIES: Prize money will be divided equally among those tied, except that if a professional wins a play-off for the Championship he will receive first prize money.

FOOTWEAR

It is a condition at all qualifying sites unless otherwise indicated by an asterisk on this entry application that shoes with traditionally-designed spikes (regardless of composition, i.e., ceramic, plastic, etc.) or spikes, regardless of design, comprised either entirely or partially of metal (if such metal may come in contact with the course) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION.
TRANSPORTATION/CART REQUESTS

Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee. The optional condition prescribed in Appendix I of The Rules of Golf will be in effect.

As a general rule, players and their caddies must walk the course at USGA Championships and at most qualifying rounds. But consistent with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), a disabled player or caddie may be permitted to use a golf cart as an accommodation to his or her disability for those events where golf carts are not allowed. As required by the ADA, the USGA will evaluate such requests on a case-by-case basis.

In order for the USGA to properly evaluate the merits of such requests, while maintaining the fundamental fairness of the golf competition, it is necessary for players requesting this accommodation (whether submitted by the player, by the player for the player’s caddie or by the parent/legal guardian of a minor player) to submit medical documentation to facilitate that analysis. The documentation provided must demonstrate: (1) a player’s (or caddie’s) disability as defined by the ADA; (2) the medical need for the golf cart that results from that disability; and (3) that by providing a golf cart to a player or caddie in that particular circumstance, the USGA would not be fundamentally altering the fairness of the competition by providing a player with an advantage over other players. The required form entitled Golf Cart Request Form (as well as additional important information for first time and subsequent requests for a cart) is available at the following link: www.usga.org/championships-hub/additional-entry-resources/requesting-a-golf-cart.html.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING

I understand that the USGA or its designees, may record, film, photograph, or otherwise capture my likeness, image, voice, biography, references to me, my quoted statements, and my play in the Championship (the foregoing, together with my name, my “Appearance”), in consideration of the opportunity to participate in the Championship, by submitting this Application, I grant (and/or have the authority to grant to the USGA in the case of a parent/guardian of a minor or other authorized representative submitting the Application on my behalf) to the USGA, and its licensees, successors and assigns, the perpetual, transferable, assignable, worldwide, royalty-free, irrevocable right to use my Appearance, in whole or in part, in all manner (including exhibition, distribution, reproduction, publication, display, broadcast, transmission or otherwise), and media now known or hereafter invented or discovered, and for any purpose whatsoever. The rights granted herein include, without limitation, the right to use the Appearance, or portions thereof, in promotion of the Championship and future championships through any of the foregoing means of distribution, as well as in the design, manufacture and distribution of merchandise related to the Championship or other championships, that include elements of my Appearance.

LOCATION; TRANSFERRING

Players’ preferences for Sectional Qualifying locations must be designated on the entry.

If qualifying location has more players than can be accommodated, some players may be transferred to another location and the date for qualifying may be different than the original requested date. Transfer will be based on the date of receipt of entry application. Transfers are final. Qualifying sites are final after entries close. Transfer to another location is not permissible after entries close. Qualifying sites may be cancelled due to lack of participation. In the event of inclement weather, qualifying will take place as soon as possible following the originally scheduled date.

QUALIFIERS’ PLACES; TIES; SUBSTITUTIONS

The number of qualifiers’ places in each location will be determined by the USGA after entries close, based on size and quality of the field.

A tie for the last qualifier’s place or an alternate’s place will be decided immediately by a hole-by-hole play-off.

Alternates in order of qualifying scores will be allowed for qualifiers unable to compete in the Championship.

If a qualifier or an exempt player withdraws, the place made available will be reallocated to another location. A reallocation schedule will be prearranged by the USGA.

If a player withdraws before playing a stroke in the Championship proper, a substitution is allowed. Only the USGA may make such substitutions.

PUBLICITY AND PROMOTION; BROADCASTING (CONT.)

The USGA is not obligated to use my Appearance in any manner, and materials embodying any aspect of my Appearance do not need be submitted to me for approval. I release and discharge the USGA, its licensees, successors and assigns from any claims arising from use of my Appearance, including claims for misrepresentation of me, my character, or my person by any means. As between the USGA and me, the USGA shall own all right, title and interest, including the copyright(s), in and to any works created by the USGA, its licensees, successors and assigns, that include all or a portion of my Appearance. This grant shall be binding on my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and the successors and assigns of the USGA. I hereby waive all privacy, publicity, defamation, libel, and proprietary rights relating to the Appearance as used by the USGA in conjunction with these terms.

Players are required to cooperate with representatives of the media; however, no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required. Authorized representatives of the media will not interfere with the player’s Championship play in an unreasonable manner.

REGISTRATION

By 10 A.M. on TUESDAY, JUNE 27, eligible players must:
1. Register in person at location listed in the Memorandum to Players; or
2. All players arriving late should notify the Championship Administration Department at the USGA (908) 326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org (if before June 20). After June 20, please contact the USGA Director of the U.S. Senior Open Championship. (Please see Memorandum to Players for contact information.) Place may be forfeited by a player from whom no word has been received by 10 A.M. on TUESDAY, JUNE 27.

PRACTICE PRIVILEGES

Privileges of Salem Country Club are extended to qualified players in the Championship from June 26 through 28.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Information concerning accommodations will be provided upon completion of Sectional Qualifying rounds. Exempt players will receive this information from the USGA.

PERSONAL APPEARANCE

In Sectional Qualifying and the Championship proper, players must be neat in appearance with respect to clothing and personal grooming. The Committee in charge decides whether this requirement has been met, and has the authority to withdraw the entry of a player who does not comply. The wearing of short pants is prohibited in the Championship proper, but is permissible in Sectional Qualifying provided the host club does not have a dress code prohibiting such.

CONDITIONS; SCHEDULES

The USGA Championship Committee/on-site Rules Committee reserves the right to alter any of the conditions, provisions and/or schedules herein. The decision of the Championship Committee/on-site Rules Committee in any matter will be final.

SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

ACCEPTANCE OF PLACES; NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL

On the day of qualifying, every qualifier should inform the Official in Charge whether he will play in the Championship.

If a qualifier or an exempt player withdraws, he must notify the USGA (908-326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) promptly in order to insure an alternate fair opportunity to play. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from future USGA competition.
EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING

Players in the following categories will be eligible for exemption from Sectional Qualifying in the 2017 Championship only. The USGA reserves the right to revise any of the exemption categories. Exemption under categories reserved for amateurs will be granted only to players who are currently amateurs. An amateur who is exempt into the Championship proper through a category reserved for amateurs becomes ineligible if he becomes a professional before beginning play or during the play of the Championship. Exempt players who wish to participate in the Championship must file an entry, except those players for whom blank entries are filed as noted below.

S-1. Winners of the U.S. Senior Open Championship the last ten years:
   2007-2008: Eduardo Romero 2012-2013: Kenny Perry
   2010-2011: Bernhard Langer 2014-2015: Jeff Maggert
   2011-2012: Olin Browne 2015: Gene Sauers
   2012-2013: Olin Browne 2016: Jeff Maggert
   2013: Bernhard Langer

S-2. Any winner of the U.S. Senior Open Championship since 2010 who has not yet reached his 66th birthday on or before July 2, 2017:
   Olin Browne 2011-2012: Jeff Maggert 2011-2013: Kenny Perry
   2012-2013: Bernhard Langer

S-3. Winners of the U.S. Senior Open Championship from 1980-2009:
   2008: Allen Doyle 2009: Bruce Fleisher
   2010: Dave Ryan 2011: Graham Marsh
   2012: Fred Funk 2013: Lee Trevino
   2014: Jack Nicklaus 2015: Tom Weiskopf
   2016: Olin Browne

S-4. Winners of the U.S. Open Championship the last ten years (2008-2017): (NOTE: The USGA will file blank entries for those players who become exempt after the close of entries.)
   2008: Jay Haas 2012: Scott Dunlap 2013: Tom Lehman
   2009: Michael Allen 2014: Colin Montgomerie
   2010-2011: Tom Lehman
   2012-2013: Koeki Ido 2014-2015: Colin Montgomerie
   2016-2017: Rocco Mediate

S-5. Winners of the U.S. Amateur Championship the last ten years (2007-2016): (NOTE: The USGA will file blank entries for those players who become exempt after the close of entries.)
   2007: Michael Allen 2012: Gene Sauers
   2008: Michael Allen 2013: Kevin Sutherland
   2009: Miguel Angel Jimenez 2014: Scott Verplank
   2010: Bernhard Langer 2015: Ian Woosnam
   2011: Scott Dunlap 2016: Loren Roberts
   2012: Jay Haas

S-6. Winners of the Masters Tournament the last ten years (2008-2017):
   2008: Fred Funk 2012: Stewart Cink
   2009: Fred Couples 2013: Louis Oosthuizen
   2010: Phil Mickelson 2014: Jordan Spieth
   2011: Tiger Woods 2015: Danny Willett
   2012: Adam Scott 2016: Patrick Reed

S-7. Winners of The Open conducted by the R & A the last ten years (2007-2016):
   2007: Phil Mickelson 2012: Rory McIlroy
   2008: Azinger 2013: Martin Kaymer
   2009: Rocco Mediate 2014: Jason Day
   2010: Ernie Els 2015: Jordan Spieth
   2011: Adam Scott 2016: Dustin Johnson

S-8. Winners of the PGA of America Championship the last ten years (2007-2016):
   2007: Jay Haas 2012: Nick Price
   2008: Michael Allen 2013: Friedel
   2009: Fred Funk 2014: Mark O'Meara
   2010: Bernhard Langer 2015: Davis Love III
   2011-2012: Olin Browne

   2008: Bernhard Langer 2012: Colin Montgomerie
   2009: Robert De Vicenzo 2013: Jeff Maggert
   2010: Peter Jacobsen 2014: Ken Duke
   2011: Tony Jacklin 2015: Colin Montgomerie
   2012: Mark Wiebe 2016: Colin Montgomerie

S-10. Winners of the Senior Open Championship conducted by the R & A in collaboration with the European Senior Tour (2013-2016):
   2013: David Frost 2014: Colin Montgomerie
   2014-2015: Tom Lehman
   2015-2016: Paul Goydos

S-11. From the 2016 U.S. Senior Open Championship, the 15 lowest scorers and anyone tying for 15th place:
   Michael Allen 2016-2017: Scott Dunlap
   Scott Dunlap 2016: Joe Durant
   Joe Durant 2017: Jason Scrivener
   Jason Scrivener 2018: David Frost
   David Frost 2019: Paul Goydos
   Paul Goydos 2020: Jay Haas
   Jay Haas 2021: Loren Roberts
   Loren Roberts 2022: Matthew Sughrue
   Matthew Sughrue 2023: Chip Lutz

EXEMPTIONS FROM SECTIONAL QUALIFYING (CONT.)

S-12. From the 2017 U.S. Open Championship, any amateur returning a 72-hole score (must be an amateur)
   (NOTE: The USGA will file blank entries for those players who become exempt after the close of entries.)
   2017: Chip Lutz

S-13. From the 2016 U.S. Senior Open Championship, the amateur returning the lowest 72-hole score (must be an amateur):
   2016: Michael Allen

S-14. From the 2016 U.S. Senior Amateur Championship, the winner and runner-up (must be an amateur):
   2016: David Ryan

S-15. Winner of the 2016 U.S. Mid-Amateur Championship (must be an amateur).


S-17. Playing members of the five most current United States and European Ryder Cup and United States and World Presidents Cup Teams.

S-18. The 36 players who qualified for the 2016 PGA Tour Champions’ season-ending Championship.

S-19. From the Champions Tour all-time money list, the top 50 money leaders through the close of entries on May 10, 2017. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry. (Must have filed an entry by May 10, 2017.)

S-20. Any player whose 50th birthday falls between the close of entries and the first scheduled round of the Championship that, at the close of entries (May 10, 2017), would have otherwise been listed among the top 50 on the Champions Tour all-time money list. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry. (Must have filed an entry by May 10, 2017.)

S-21. From the 2017 official Champions Tour money list, the top 20 money leaders through the close of entries on May 10, 2017. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry. (Must have filed an entry by May 10, 2017.)

S-22. Winners of Champions Tour co-sponsored events, excluding team events, whose victories are considered official, in the last two calendar years (2015-2016) and during the current calendar year to the initiation of the 2017 U.S. Senior Open Championship.
   (NOTE: The USGA will file blank entries for those players who become exempt after the close of entries.)

S-23. From the 2016 final official European Senior Tour money list, the top six money winners.

S-24. From the 2016 final official Japan Seniors Tour money list, the top two money winners.

S-25. Winners of PGA Tour co-sponsored events, whose victories are considered official, in the last five calendar years (2012-2016) and during the current calendar year to the initiation of the 2017 U.S. Senior Open Championship.
   (NOTE: The USGA will file blank entries for those players who become exempt after the close of entries.)

S-26. Any player in his first ten years of age eligibility who has won the U.S. Open Championship.

S-27. Any player in his first ten years of age eligibility who has won the U.S. Open Championship.

S-28. Special exemptions as selected by the USGA. Must have filed an entry by May 10, 2017. Deadline for submission of request: May 10, 2017. Players must select a qualifying site at the time of entry.
SCHEDULE AND LOCATION OF SECTIONAL QUALIFYING ROUNDS - 18 HOLES STROKE PLAY

USGA reserves the right to revise this schedule

Performance in Sectional Qualifying: If a player fails to return a score within 10 strokes of the USGA Course Rating™, future entries for a U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Amateur, U.S. Mid-Amateur or U.S. Open Championship may be declined if information is not provided demonstrating that the player is capable of competing at the national championship level. Please note that players who “no card” are subject to receive a letter from the USGA under the same guidelines as those who do not return a score within 10 strokes of the course rating.

Withdrawal from Qualifying: Entrant who wishes to withdraw from Qualifying must notify the USGA (908-326-1950 or via e-mail at champs@usga.org) and the Official in Charge prior to his scheduled Qualifying round. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from future USGA competitions.

**State** | **City** | **Host Club** | **Capacity** | **Site** | **Practice Dates/ Official in Charge** | **Official in Charge**
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MI 1. | DEARBORN | Dearborn C.C. | 78 | (313)561-4433 | Visit www.gam.org at Close of Entries | KEN HARTMANN, Golf Assn. of Michigan

**MONDAY, MAY 15 AT:**

CA 3. | MURRIETA | Bear Creek G.C. | 90 | (760)977-8631 | Contact Club; www.scga.org at Close of Entries | JEFF NINNEMANN, Southern California Golf Assn.
CA 3. | SAN FRANCISCO | Olympic C. | 84 | (415)440-4333 | Info incl. with pairings; www.scga.org | RYAN GREGG, Northern California Golf Assn.
TX 5. | DALLAS | Las Colinas C.C. | 132 | (972)777-0086 | Contact Club; www.txga.org | DAVID C. MANN, USGA Regional Affairs Com.

**TUESDAY, MAY 23 AT:**

MO 7. | ST. LOUIS | Glen Echo C.C. | 78 | (314)382-5780 | Contact Club; www.metga.org | CURT ROHE, Metropolitan Amateur Golf Assn.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 24 AT:**

IN 8. | FORT WAYNE | Orchard Ridge C.C. | 120 | (260)637-1015 | Contact Club; www.indianagolf.org | RYAN LAMBERT, Indiana Golf Assn.
IL 9. | SALEM | Kernwood C.C. | 84 | (708)745-1210 | Info incl. with pairings; www.mgains.org | HARRY B. McCracken, JR., Massachusetts Golf Assn.
MN 10. | EDEN PRAIRIE | Bearpath G. & C.C. | 84 | (952)897-6123 | Contact Club; www.mngolf.org | DOUGLAS A. HOFFMANN, Minnesota Golf Assn.
NY 11. | LARCHMONT | Bonnie Briar C.C. | 144 | (914)834-1627 | Info incl. with pairings | BRIAN MAHONEY, Metropolitan Golf Assn.
OH 12. | COLUMBUS | Worthington Hills C.C. | 84 | (614)981-9198 | Visit www.ohgolf.org at Close of Entries | MATT LEFFERTS, Columbus District Golf Assn.

**TUESDAY, MAY 30 AT:**

CA 15. | LLANO | Crystalaire C.C. | 90 | (661)564-2111 | Visit www.scga.org at Close of Entries | JEFF NINNEMANN, Southern California Golf Assn.

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 31 AT:**

HI 16. | EWA BEACH | Hostalcie C.C. | 78 | (808)853-4549 | May 22; Contact Club | PAUL OGAWA, Hawaii State Golf Assn.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 1 AT:**


**MONDAY, JUNE 5 AT:**

AZ 19. | SAN TAN VALLEY | Encantaer C.C. | 84 | (480)677-8148 | Contact Club; www.asagolf.org | ANDREW POLONEC, Arizona Golf Assn.
TX 22. | KINGWOOD | Deerwood G.C. | 132 | (281)360-1065 | Contact Club; www.txga.org | RICK TURNER, USGA Junior Championship Com.

**TUESDAY, JUNE 6 AT:**

SC 24. | HILTON HEAD ISLAND | Wexford Plantation | 78 | (843)688-8812 | June 5; Contact Club; www.scgolf.org | BIFF LATHROP, South Carolina Golf Assn.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 AT:**


**THURSDAY, JUNE 8 AT:**

CO 26. | LITTLETON | The Meadows G.C. | 84 | (303)409-2250 | Contact Club | DUSTIN JENSEN, Colorado Golf Assn.
TN 28. | NASHVILLE | Brentwood C.C. | 78 | (615)377-9922 | June 7; Contact Club | ADAM MCCORMICK, Tennessee Golf Assn.

**FRIDAY, JUNE 9 AT:**

WI 29. | RACINE | Meadowbrook C.C. | 78 | (262)838-9900 | Contact Club; www.wsga.org | BILL LINNEMAN, Wisconsin State Golf Assn.

**MONDAY, JUNE 12 AT:**

CA 30. | VISTA | Vista Valley C.C. | 90 | (760)758-5275 | Visit www.scga.org at Close of Entries | JEFF NINNEMANN, Southern California Golf Assn.
MD 32. | SILVER SPRING | Argyle C.C. | 120 | (301)589-6949 | Info incl. with pairings | MICHAEL N. CUMBERPATCH, Middle Atlantic Golf Assn.

Only clubs highlighted in red italics will permit caddies to use carts first-come, first-served.

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In the event of inclement weather, qualifying will take place as soon as possible following the originally scheduled date.