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To: PGA Sections

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RE: 2025 Korn Ferry Tour Open Qualifying Information



PGA TOUR Competitions Contact

Joining the PGA TOUR Competitions staff in April 2024, Sharon Thomas has been working closely with Jessica Zinz to assist PGA Sections with Open Qualifying. Please feel free to reach out to Sharon for any questions or support (sharonthomas@pgatourhq.com | 904-273-3566).

Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee, Daniela Lendl (772-713-6445) will continue to oversee all Korn Ferry Tour Open Qualifying events. Please feel free to direct any Rules or Competition based questions to Daniela.

Contracts

The Guidelines and Application for Entry are attached to this email and are also available on the Section's Open Qualifying website. Please use the following link to register your assigned Qualifier and agree to the terms and conditions: https://openqsectionreg.pgatourhq.com/

Entry Form & Other Forms

The Application for Entry is attached to use as a guideline when creating the electronic application. **All applicants will need to apply online**. There are blank areas on pages 1 and 3 that will need filled in by the Section, as they are event specific to the Open Qualifier. Please ensure the applicants agree to the terms and conditions as part of the electronic process.

Please continue to use the appropriate links to submit the required information regarding the successful qualifiers advancing to the tournament as well as recording any violations that may have occurred onsite: OPEN QUALIFYING and VIOLATIONS

Entry Fees

Fees for the Open Qualifier have remained the same from the previous season and shall be: (a) \$100 for Korn Ferry Tour members, PGA TOUR members, PGA TOUR Champions Regular Members, and DP World Tour Members in categories 1-21 on their Field Priority Ranking; (b) \$300 for PGA TOUR Americas members; (c) \$500 for all other entrants. The attached entry fee breakdown spreadsheet details how the entry fee is dispersed amongst the Sections and PGA TOUR.

Membership List

Similar to 2024, PGA TOUR Americas members will have a discounted rate of \$300 and exempt DP World Tour Members in categories 1-21 on their Field Priority Ranking will be eligible to Monday Qualify in 2025 at a discounted rate of \$100.

The PGA TOUR Americas members and DP World Tour members from category 1-21 on their Field Priority Ranking, along with our 2025 membership lists for PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour, and Regular Members of PGA TOUR Champions will be sent following the conclusion of Q-School. These will also be posted and continually updated on the Section's Open Qualifying website. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Sharon with any questions regarding a player's eligibility.

PGA TOUR Integrity Policy

Please note that the PGA TOUR Integrity Program explicitly prohibits betting on professional golf events, among other things.

All participants in Korn Ferry Tour sanctioned Open Qualifiers, whether members of a PGA TOUR-affiliated Tour or not, are subject to the integrity program as stated in the Tournament Regulations. Therefore, participation in any other type of event involving qualifiers placing money on themselves to compete for prize money based on their performance in the event is prohibited.

Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referees

A Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee will not be on-site during Open Qualifying. However, a Tournament Referee for that week's Korn Ferry Tour event will be available for support. Additionally, Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee, Daniela Lendl (772-713-6445) will be available throughout the year for any questions.

Check List Overview

PRE-TOURNAMENT

- -Agree to the terms and conditions located on the Open Qualifying Website.
- -Build registration database using entry form and guidelines adhering to the cut-off dates and times.
- -Verify participant status (e.g., KFT member, PGA TOUR Americas member, non-member, etc.) using the Open Qualifying website.
- -Send draft pairings to KFT Tournament Referee
- -Send draft notice to KFT Tournament Referee

POST-TOURNAMENT

- -Input results into the **OPEN QUALIFYING** form once play has been completed.
- -Complete and send section financial file to Sharon Thomas and the KFT Tournament Referee.

Thank you again for your support in operating Open Qualifying on the Korn Ferry Tour. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or Daniela.