

KORN FERRY TOUR  
2023 OPEN QUALIFYING  
APPLICATION FOR ENTRY



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

**Open Qualifying**

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

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

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

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

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

**Entry Deadline:** Entries must be received online by 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time) on the Wednesday preceding the Open Qualifying competition, except for Korn Ferry Tour, PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR Champions Regular Members, for which the deadline is 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time) on the Friday preceding the Open Qualifying. Entries by paper submission, telephone, facsimile or email will not be accepted.

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

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

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

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

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

**Check status:**

- 2022-2023 Season PGA TOUR Member
- 2023 Korn Ferry Tour Member
- 2023 PGA TOUR Champions Regular Member
- 2023 PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member
- 2023 PGA TOUR Canada Member
- PGA of America Member or Apprentice
- Other Professional or Foreign Professional
- (Name of golf organization/tour): \_\_\_\_\_
- Amateur/Player Seeking Amateur Status (Fill out section below)

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

USGA or Attested Hdcp. Index \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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

	<u>Respective Fees (Check)</u>
PGA TOUR Member	\$100 _____
Korn Ferry Tour Member	\$100 _____
PGA TOUR Champions Regular Member	\$100 _____
PGA TOUR Latinoamérica Member	\$300 _____
PGA TOUR Canada Member	\$300 _____
All other Professionals and Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status:	\$500 _____

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 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; and (5) any other live or recorded telecast, transmission, reproduction or photograph of any Tournament in 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. The undersigned understands that use of social media during the Tournament is permitted to the extent provided in the Korn Ferry Tour Guidelines for Players Posting/Streaming to Social Media On Site and At Events, as may be amended by TOUR ("Social Media Guidelines") and agrees to comply with the Social Media Guidelines. 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 Korn Ferry Tournament Regulations currently in effect (and, if a member of Korn Ferry Tour, attest that a copy thereof has been furnished to me), including the PGA TOUR Integrity Program Manual incorporated therein, which, among other things, prohibits me from betting on the Tournament and providing inside information to third parties for purposes of betting on the Tournament. Further, the undersigned agrees to be bound by the Rules of Golf of the United States Golf Association, subject to any modifications thereof approved by PGA TOUR.

Personal information collected from applicants will be used by PGA TOUR for the purpose of administering the tournaments on the tours operated and/or sanctioned by PGA TOUR, providing membership benefits, and providing applicants with information relating to membership, products, services, news and promotions of PGA TOUR and affiliates of PGA TOUR. Administration of the tournaments specifically includes, but is not limited to, administration of the PGA TOUR's Integrity Program which entails PGA TOUR sharing your personal information with gaming regulators, sports betting operators, third party vendors who monitor gaming activity and related parties for compliance with applicable gaming laws and integrity purposes. PGA TOUR shall not sell, share or otherwise disclose personal information of applicants with third parties, other than to third parties engaged by PGA TOUR to fulfill the above purposes or as otherwise consented to by the applicant. To view PGA TOUR's Privacy Policy, visit [www.pgatour.com/company/privacy.html](http://www.pgatour.com/company/privacy.html).

The undersigned hereby declares that they have the financial capacity to support themselves in relation to the official Korn Ferry Tour event 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.

The undersigned has received and read the "Specific Notice Regarding COVID-19 to Open Qualifying Participants" provided by the Section. By entering the Open Qualifying grounds and participating in the Open Qualifying tournament, the undersigned assumes all risks, including without limitation all risks related to COVID-19, and release and discharge the PGA TOUR and Section from any and all claims for liability for personal injury or illness (including death) or property damage the undersigned may suffer while onsite at or in connection with the Open Qualifying tournament. I acknowledge having read this release and agree to be bound by the terms set forth herein in consideration of the operation of the Open Qualifying tournament.

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).**

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

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



### **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 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. If two courses are used, the PGA Section will attempt to make the field size at each course approximately equal. This means in total number and by category (both PGA TOUR/Korn Ferry Tour and Latinoamérica/Canada) of entry. The number of qualifying positions at each course will be equal. **REQUESTS FOR A SPECIFIC GOLF COURSE OR ANY OTHER REQUESTS WILL NOT BE GRANTED.** Korn Ferry 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 designated Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee or PGA Section, 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 in the field of the above-named tournament will be 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 PGA TOUR Champions Regular Members shall be 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time) on the Friday preceding the Open Qualifying. Deadline for receipt at the PGA Section office of entries by eligible players (All other Professionals, Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status - with USGA or attested handicap index of 2 or less, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members and PGA TOUR Canada members) shall be 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time) on the Wednesday preceding the Open Qualifying competition. Late or incomplete entries and entries by paper submission, telephone, facsimile or email are not acceptable.

Members of the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions regular members are guaranteed a spot in the qualifier if they register prior to their 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time), Friday deadline. To save space for members of the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions regular members, the field may initially be limited to a smaller field size. All other Professionals and Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members and PGA TOUR Canada members registering after the limited field size is full (if this happens before the Wednesday deadline) will be put on a waiting list in order of receipt. After the 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time), Friday deadline for members of the PGA TOUR, Korn Ferry Tour and PGA TOUR Champions regular members, any remaining spots will be filled with those that are on the wait list until the maximum field size has been reached. Individuals on the wait list who gain access to the field will be notified by the PGA Section as soon as possible after the 5:00 pm (host PGA Section time), Friday deadline. No entries will be accepted after the Wednesday entry deadline from all other Professionals and Amateurs/Players Seeking Amateur Status, PGA TOUR Latinoamérica members and PGA TOUR Canada members.

### **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 PGA TOUR members, Korn Ferry Tour members, PGA TOUR Champions regular members.
- (b) \$300 for PGA TOUR Latinoamérica and PGA TOUR Canada members.
- (c) \$500 for all other entrants.

Credit Card payment for entry fee must accompany the online application. The PGA Section is not responsible for rejected credit cards. 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. Practice rounds are not included in the entry fee.

### **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/Course Assignments**

Starting times will be available after 8:00 am on the Saturday preceding the Open Qualifying competition at: The Section will inform all players via email or text and post the starting times on the Tournament Information Page. Course assignments are generally made after the Wednesday deadline preceding the tournament. Starting times, groupings and course assignments 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 published by the USGA and the R&A, as modified by the Korn Ferry Tour Local Rules and Terms of the Competition card (Hard Card) and supplemented by the Notice to Players. Questions or disputes (including equipment rulings) shall be settled by the on-site Rules Committee appointed by the Korn Ferry 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 a Korn Ferry Tour tournament is typically prohibited by Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Regulations. However, during Open Qualifying limited functions are allowed. The Korn Ferry Tour will provide the PGA Section with a Notice to Players on what is allowed and not allowed. The Notice will be posted online on the Tournament Information Page as well as on the Starting Tees.

### **Groove Specifications**

Open Qualifying contestants **MUST** 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 [USGA.org](http://USGA.org) (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, the Rules Committee 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.

If 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.

### **Greens Reading Materials Restrictions**

Model Local Rule G-11 is not in effect for the Open Qualifying competition.

### **Club Length Limitation**

Model Local Rule G-10 is not in effect for the Open Qualifying competition.

### **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 designed and appropriate for golf.

Anyone seeking a golf cart due to a disability defined under the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) should contact the PGA TOUR's 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.

Clothing worn by players and caddies shall be consistent with currently accepted golf fashion. The designated Korn Ferry Tour Chief Referee shall interpret this regulation.

### **Conduct**

While on host facility property during qualifying rounds; players and caddies shall conduct themselves in a professional manner. Korn Ferry 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 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 designated Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee, whose decision shall be final, conditions render commencement or continuation of tournament play inadvisable, play shall be postponed until such time as the Rules Committee 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.

Korn Ferry 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 designated Korn Ferry Tour Tournament Referee shall be final.