

# -LPGA Local Qualifying Guidelines and Application-

2013 MOBILE BAY LPGA CLASSIC Local Qualifying
The Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail – Magnolia Grove, Crossings Course
Mobile, Alabama
Monday, May 13, 2013 - 8:00 a.m.

#### **LOCAL QUALIFYING FORMAT:**

The LPGA will conduct an 18-hole stroke play competition to determine two (2) qualifiers. Each of these qualifiers will receive an exemption directly into the 2013 Mobile Bay LPGA Classic to be contested at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, Magnolia Grove Facilities, Crossings Course on Monday, May 13, 2013.

#### **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:**

• The Qualifier is open to all female professionals and two (2) amateurs invited by the Tournament Sponsor.

All ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED ON OR BEFORE 5:00 P.M. LOCAL TIME ON FRIDAY, MAY 10, 2013.

NOTE: ALL PLAYERS, excluding LPGA Tour members, must enter using the Local Qualifying Application Form.

 All LPGA Tour members on the Official Tournament Alternate List must enter the Qualifier by contacting the LPGA Tour Advance Official, Janet Lindsay (386-405-8384) by 5:00 p.m. local time on Friday, May 10, 2013.

#### **ENTRY FEES:**

- The following Entry Fees will apply to players who participate in Official LPGA Qualifiers:
  - 1. 2013 LPGA, T&CP and Symetra Tour Professionals (\$200)
  - 2. Amateur qualifiers invited by the sponsor (\$230)
  - 3. All other female professionals not listed above (\$500).
- Entry fees are payable by cashier check, money order or credit card. <u>Payment must accompany the official entry form</u>.
   Checks should be made payable to "MOBILE BAY LPGA CLASSIC"
- Entry fees, less a \$50 administrative fee, will be refunded if the participant withdraws prior to the entry deadline; otherwise the entry fee is forfeited. Late or incomplete entries will not be accepted and are not the responsibility of the LPGA, Mobile Bay LPGA Classic organizers or the Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail, Magnolia Grove.

# **STARTING TIMES:**

- Starting times will be sent to players via email by 3:00 p.m. local time, the day before the qualifier. Please provide a valid email address to be used for starting time correspondence.
- Players may also contact the LPGA Advance Rules Official, Janet Lindsay, at 386-405-8384 or the Magnolia Grove Golf Shop at 251-645-0075.

#### **ENTRY PRIORITY:**

For complete entry priority information, visit the Qualifier Fast Facts page on www.lpga.com.

# **LPGA RULES AND REGULATIONS:**

The LPGA Local Qualifying Applicant acknowledges that the Rules and Regulations of the LPGA Tour will apply, and are incorporated herein by reference. Furthermore, the applicant agrees that she will be subject to the Rules and Regulations of the LPGA Tour, which include, but are not limited to, the following:

#### USGA RULES ON GROOVE SPECIFICATIONS:

There will be no on-site testing for groove conformity. Players should confirm their clubs' conformity in advance of the qualifier.

#### LPGA TOUR ANTI-DOPING PROGRAM PROTOCOL:

Visit www.lpga.com and click "Anti-Doping Information" for additional information on the LPGA Tour's Anti-Doping Program.

# CADDIES / GOLF CARTS / PULL CARTS:

Players will be required to have a caddie and they shall walk at all times except when permitted by the LPGA Rules Committee to ride. Caddies shall wear smooth, rubber-soled shoes (duck shoes are not considered to be smooth, rubber soled shoes). Golf shoes of any type will not be permitted. Golf Carts and pull-carts are not permitted during the Qualifier.

Any player who qualifies for the Local Qualifying spot(s), but is later disqualified pursuant to a violation of the Rules of Golf, as established by the USGA and R&A, shall be replaced by the next player(s) on the LPGA Tour alternate list.

#### **REDUCTION / CANCELLATION:**

Any reduction or cancelation in the local qualifying competition shall be decided by the LPGA Tour Rules Committee. If in the judgment of the on-site LPGA Tour Rules Official, whose decision shall be final, conditions render commencement or continuation of tournament play inadvisable, play shall be postponed until such time as the LPGA Tour Rules Official determines that such weather conditions or other occurrences or conditions have improved sufficiently for play to commence or resume.

In the event the qualifying competition cannot be completed by the end of the scheduled competitive day, every effort will be made to complete the competition as soon as possible. The local qualifying competition will not continue beyond the end of the day immediately following the day of the scheduled qualifying round.

If conditions prohibit the completion of the local qualifying round, the qualifying round may be canceled and the two (2) qualifying spots will be filled by LPGA Tour members entered in the qualifying round according to their position on the 2013 LPGA Priority List as of the time of the qualifier. If fewer than two (2) LPGA Tour members are entered in the local qualifying round, the remaining places will be filled by members of the Symetra Tour entered in the qualifying round according to their position on the 2013 Symetra Tour Categories of Eligibility as of the time of the qualifier. If the places are still not filled, they will be then filled by the amateur participants entered in the qualifying round.

In the event 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 \$50 administrative charge per player.

#### **PRACTICE ROUNDS:**

Practice Rounds will be available for the Qualifying contestants. Please contact the Golf Shop at 251-645-0075 for additional information.

# 2013 LOCAL QUALIFYING APPLICATION

# **TOURNAMENT: 2013 Mobile Bay LPGA Classic**

MAIL:

The completed application and fee must be received by 5:00 p.m. local time on Friday, May 10, 2013. Local Qualifying applicants must submit the qualifying application by mail, email or fax to Paul Martino, Director of Golf at Magnolia Grove, or the LPGA Advance Rules Official prior to the entry deadline. All entries must be accompanied by a valid form of payment.

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Attention: Paul Martino. Director of Golf

	Magnolia Grove 7001 Magnolia Grove Parkway Mobile, Alabama 36618
FAX:	386-236-5973
EMAIL:	Janet.Lindsay@lpga.com
ENTRY DEADLINE:	5:00 p.m. local time on Friday, May 10, 2013
ENTRY FEE:	\$200 – 2013 LPGA, LPGA T&CP or Symetra Tour Professional \$230 – Amateur invitee \$500 – All other female professionals not listed above
Cashier Check or Money Order payable to: Mobile Bay LPGA Classic	
Please check box that applies:	
■ 2013 LPGA, LPGA T&C □ 2013 LPGA Tou □ LPGA T&CP mounts □ Symetra Tour p	ember
□ Amateur invitee (Handicap index of 2.0 or less)	
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Credit Card Type (please check): Mastercard Visa American Express Credit Card #:	
Expiration Date:	Credit Card ID#:
Name:	Telephone:
Email Address:	(email address will be used for starting time correspondence)
Address:	
City, State, and Zip Code:	

# <u>HANDICAP VERIFICATION</u> (must be completed for all amateurs): \*A Handicap Index of 2.0 or less must be verified by a club official, handicap chairman or by the club PGA/LPGA Golf

Professional.