

2021 LPGA and Symetra Tour Qualifying School Fast Facts and Eligibility Statement

Qualifying School Stage I

Entries Open: Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Entry link to be posted on the LPGA Q-School webpage.
Entry Deadline: Monday, August 9, 2021 at 5:00 pm EDT

Tournament Dates:

Thursday, August 19 – Sunday, August 22, 2021. **Rain Date: Monday, August 23, 2021**

Location:

Mission Hills Country Club, Rancho Mirage, CA (Dinah Shore and Pete Dye) AND
Shadow Ridge Golf Club, Palm Desert, CA.

Field Criteria:

- 2021 Symetra Tour Members not ranked or ranked outside of the Top 125 on the 2021 Symetra Tour Official Money list as of the entry deadline.
- Any player moved from Stage II to Stage I as described in the field criteria for Stage II.
- All amateur and professional players (*who are not current LPGA Tour Members*) not ranked or ranked outside of the Top 400 on the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline.
- If entries for Stage I exceed 450, players may be moved to begin at Stage II in following order of priority:
 1. Symetra Tour Members in order of their position on the Symetra Tour Money List as of the entry deadline and beginning with #126 and ties on the list.
 2. Players in the order of their position on the Rolex Women's World Golf Ranking as of the entry deadline.
- If an alternate list is needed for Stage I, as determined by the LPGA, players (except current Symetra Tour Members) who are not ranked on either the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings, the World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR) or the GolfWeek/Sagarin Women's Individual Collegiate Rankings as of the entry deadline will be placed on the alternate list based on order of entry, beginning with date and time of earliest entry.

Entries:

- Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline. **NOTE:** Players applying for Stage I do not need to apply to Stage II. Players who advance from Stage I to Stage II, will be automatically entered in Stage II by the LPGA.
- **All applicants who are applying for entry into the Qualifying School for the first time MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application.**

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Cost:

- \$2,500, payable by Credit Card ONLY and due at the time of application.
- If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.

Eligibility:

- Females who are 17 years of age or older by January 1, 2022 (for Stage I and Stage II only) For avoidance of doubt, players who are not 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2022 cannot advance to Q-Series.
- Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by June 25, 2021 – 5:00 pm EDT. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information.
- All Amateurs, and any Professional applying for the first time, must have a World Handicap System index of 4.0 or less, based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required at time of application).

Format:

- 72 holes of stroke-play competition; a cut will be made after the third round
- For the first three rounds, competitors will play one round each on the Dinah Shore, Pete Dye and Shadow Ridge courses; final round will be played on the Dinah Shore Course.
- The use of distance measuring devices is permitted.
- Players will receive their own cart for official practice rounds and tournament rounds.
- Employment of a caddie is optional.

Player Registration:

- Sunday, August 15, 2021; 9:00 am – 3:00 pm OR Monday, August 16, 2021; 9:00 am – 12:00 pm (*hours updated July 16*)

Mandatory Entrant Meeting:

- Wednesday, August 18, 2021; 6:00 pm at Mission Hills Country Club

88 Rule Applies – Any player with a score of 88 or higher in any of the first three rounds will automatically be withdrawn from the Qualifying Tournament and will not be eligible to receive any type of Tour status for 2022.

Status Received upon Successful Completion:

****All Players who complete 54 holes without a score of 88 or higher will receive Symetra Tour status for the 2022 season****

Qualifying School Stage II

**Entries Open: Tuesday, June 1, 2021. Entry link to be posted on the LPGA Q-School webpage.
Entry Deadline: Monday, August 9, 2021 at 5:00 pm EDT**

Tournament Dates:

Thursday, October 21 – Sunday, October 24, 2021. **Rain Date: Monday, October 25, 2021**

Location:

Plantation Golf and Country Club, Venice, FL (Bobcat and Panther courses)

Field Criteria:

- Symetra Tour Members ranked #1-125, including those tied for 125th place on the 2021 Symetra Tour Official Money list as of the entry deadline.
- LPGA Tour Members ranked outside of the Top 150 and ties on the 2021 LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2021 Cognizant Founders Cup*.
- Professional players who, as of the entry deadline, won an amount of money in Official Symetra Tour Events that is equal to or greater than the amount of Official Money won by the Symetra Tour Member who was in 100th place on the Symetra Tour Official Money List as of the entry deadline.
- Players, not otherwise qualified for Q-Series, who are ranked within the Top 400 on the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline. Players will be ranked in the order of their position on the list as of the entry deadline. If more than 25 players apply through this Category – and the total number of entries for Stage II exceeds 110 players – remaining players may be moved to start the qualifying process at Stage I.
- WAPT Members ranked #1-5, and those tied for 5th place, on the 2021 WAPT Player of the Year Points List as of the entry deadline.
- Players ranked #1-5 on the GolfWeek/Sagarin Women's Individual Collegiate Rankings as of the entry deadline.
- Players ranked #1-5 on the women's 2021 World Amateur Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline.
- Winner of the 2021 Juli Inkster Senior Award.
- Any player moved from Q-Series to Stage II as described in the criteria for Q-Series.
- Qualifiers from Stage I (minimum of Top 60 and ties; final number TBD prior to the start of Stage I).

Entries:

- Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline.
- All applicants who are applying for entry into the Qualifying School for the first time **MUST** upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application.

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Cost:

- \$4,000 (Players exempt into Stage II)
- \$3,000 (Players who advance from Qualifying Stage I)
- Payment is by Credit Card ONLY and is due at the time of application.
- If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.

Eligibility:

- Females who are 17 years of age or older by January 1, 2022 (for Stage I and Stage II only). For avoidance of doubt, players who are not 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2022 cannot advance to Q-Series.
- Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by June 25, 2021 – 5:00 pm EDT. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information.
- All Amateurs, and any Professional applying for the first time, must have a World Handicap System index of 4.0 or less based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required at time of application).

Format:

- 72 holes of stroke-play competition with NO cut
- The use of distance measuring devices is permitted.
- Players will be required to walk; players may carry their own bag, use a pull cart or employ a caddie.
- Caddies may carry the bag or use a pull cart; No electric carts will be used for the event.

Player Registration:

- Monday, October 18, 2021; 8:00 am – 3:00 pm

Mandatory Entrant Meeting:

- Tuesday, October 19, 2021; 6:00 pm at Plantation Golf & Country Club

Status Received upon Successful Completion:

*****Players who complete 72 holes and do not advance to Q-Series will receive Symetra Tour status (based on finish) for the 2022 season*****

Qualifying School LPGA Q-Series

Entries Open: Wednesday, September 8, 2021; on the LPGA Q-School webpage
Entry Deadline: Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm EST

Tournament Dates:

Week One: Thursday - Sunday, December 2–5, 2021. **Rain Date; Monday December 6, 2021**

Week Two: Thursday - Sunday, December 9–12, 2021. **Rain Date: Monday, December 13, 2021**

Location: Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail

Week 1: Magnolia Grove (Falls and Crossings); Mobile, AL.

Week 2: Highland Oaks Golf Club (Highlands and Marshes); Dothan, AL

Field Criteria:

- 2021 LPGA Tour Members ranked #101-150, including those tied for 150th place on the LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2021 Cognizant Founders Cup*.
- 2021 LPGA Tour Members ranked #101-150, including those tied for 150th place on the LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2021 Pelican Women's Championship*. Members qualifying through this category will be entered when identified.
- 2021 Symetra Tour Members ranked #11-35, including those tied for 35th place on the season-ending Symetra Tour Official Money List.
- Players ranked #1-5, including those tied for 5th place, on the LET Order of Merit at the conclusion of the *Andalucia Costa Del Sol Open De Espana*. Players qualifying through this category will be entered when identified.
- Players ranked within the Top 75 on the Rolex Women's World Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline for Stage II (August 9, 2021). Players will be ranked in the order of their position on the list as of August 9, 2021. If more than 10 players apply through this Category, remaining players may be moved to start the qualifying process at Stage II.
- Qualifiers from Stage II (minimum of Top 30 and ties; final number TBD prior to the start of Stage II).

Entries:

- Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline.
- **All applicants who are applying for entry into the Qualifying School for the first time MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application.**

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Cost:

- \$0 (Players who started at Qualifying Stage I)
- \$1,500 (Players who advance from Qualifying Stage II)
- \$2,500 (LPGA, LET and Symetra Tour members exempt into Q-Series)
- \$5,500 (Top-75 Rolex-ranked players)
- Payment is by Credit Card ONLY and is due at the time of application.
- If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.

Eligibility:

- Females who are 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2022
- Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by 5:00 pm EDT on September 1, 2021. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information
- All Amateurs, and any Professional applying for the first time, must have a World Handicap System index of 4.0 or less based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required via on-line application).

Format:

- 144 holes of stroke-play competition; cut after week one.
- Scores will be cumulative across the two weeks.
- The use of distance measuring devices is permitted.
- Players may carry their own bag, use a pull cart or employ a caddie.
- Caddies may carry the bag or use a pull cart; No electric carts will be used for the event

Player Registration:

- Tuesday, November 30, 2021; 8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Status Received upon Successful Completion:

*****Minimum of Top 45 and ties receive LPGA membership (final total number TBD) and all other players who complete 108 holes will receive Symetra Tour status. 2022 category status and number of membership cards will be determined by LPGA prior to the commencement of the LPGA Q-Series competition*****

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