



2022 LPGA and Epson Tour Qualifying School Fast Facts and Eligibility for Stage I, Stage II, and Q-Series

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Qualifying Tournament Stage I

Entries Open: Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

Entry Deadline: Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:00 pm ET

Dates:

- Practice Rounds – Monday, August 15 – Wednesday, August 17, 2022
- Competition Rounds – Thursday, August 18 – Sunday, August 21, 2022.
- **Rain Date: Monday, August 22, 2022**

Location: (3 courses)

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

Eligibility: (Stage I is a qualifying round for Stage II):

- Players can compete at Stage I and Stage II as an amateur. **Players qualifying to advance to Q-Series must turn professional prior to competing in Q-Series.**
- Females who are 17 years of age or older by January 1, 2023 (for Stage I and Stage II only).
 - **NOTE:** For avoidance of doubt, players who are not 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2023 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, 2022 – 5:00 pm EDT. Please contact Tommy Tangtiphaiboonatana at tommyt@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).
- **All applicants who are applying for entry into the Qualifying School for the first time MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate (in English) via the on-line application.**

Entries:

- Entries and payment for Stage I must be received by the entry deadline.
 - **NOTE: Players applying for Stage I only apply to Stage I.** Players who advance from Stage I to Stage II will be automatically entered in Stage II by the LPGA at the conclusion of Stage I.
- Stage I Entry Fee – \$2,500 USD; payable by Credit Card ONLY and due at the time of application.
- Entry is through the LPGA Portal App. If needed, players can download the app here:
 - [App Store](#) OR [Google Play](#)



COVID-19 Protocols: If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.

Player and Caddie Registration:

- Each player must **confirm attendance via the Portal App check-in** beginning at 9:00am PT on Sunday, August 14 through 12:00 noon PT on Monday, August 15.
- Each caddie must complete the online Caddie Registration Form. A link to this form will be sent to players at close of entries.
- There will not be in person registration for Stage I for players or caddies.

Mandatory Entrant Meeting and Parking Passes:

- Wednesday, August 17, 2022; 6:00 pm at Mission Hills Country Club
- Parking passes will be distributed at the meeting.

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, Arnold Palmer 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.
- **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 2023.
- ***Players who complete 54 holes without a score of 88 or higher will earn 2023 Epon Tour status.***

Required to Qualify:

- 2022 Epon Tour Members not ranked or ranked outside of the Top 125 on the 2022 Epon Tour Official Money list as of the entry deadline.
- 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.
- Any player moved from Stage II to Stage I as described in the field criteria for Stage II.
- If entries for Stage I exceed 450, players may be moved to begin at Stage II in following order of priority:
 1. Epon Tour Members in order of their position on the Epon 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.
 3. If an alternate list is needed for Stage I, as determined by the LPGA, players (except current Epon 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.



Qualifying Tournament Stage II

Entries Open: Wednesday, June 1, 2022.

Entry Deadline: Monday, August 8, 2022 at 5:00 pm EDT

Dates:

Practice Rounds – Sunday, October 16 and Monday, October 17, 2022

Tournament Rounds – Tuesday, October 18 – Friday, October 21, 2022.

Rain Date: Saturday, October 22, 2022

Location:

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

Eligibility:

- Players can compete at Stage II as an amateur. **Players qualifying to advance to Q-Series must turn professional prior to competing in Q-Series.**
- Females who are 17 years of age or older by January 1, 2023 (for Stage I and Stage II only).
 - **NOTE:** For avoidance of doubt, players who are not 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2023 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, 2022 – 5:00 pm EDT. Please contact Tommy Tangtiphaiboontana at tommyt@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).
- 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.

Entries:

- **Only players exempt to Stage II should enter and pay for Stage II.** Players qualifying to advance from Stage I to Stage II will be automatically entered in Stage II by the LPGA at the conclusion of Stage I.
- Entry application for exempt players must be received by the entry deadline. Entry fees are payable by credit card ONLY and due at the time of application.
- Stage II Entry Fees:
 - **Players exempt to Stage II** - \$4000 USD payable by credit card ONLY; a minimum of \$2500 USD is due at time of application. The balance is due on or before 5pm ET on Tuesday, October 11, 2022
 - **Players who advance from Qualifying Stage I** - \$3000 USD payable by credit card ONLY following the conclusion of Stage I and due on or before 5pm ET on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.
- Entry is through the LPGA Portal App. If needed, players can download the app here:
 - [App Store](#) OR [Google Play](#)

COVID-19 Protocols: If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.



Player and Caddie Registration:

- Players must **register in person** on Sunday, October 16 between 8:00 am – 3:00 pm.
- Caddies must complete the Caddie Registration Form virtually. A link to this form will be sent to players after the conclusion of Stage I.

Mandatory Entrant Meeting:

- Monday, October 17, 2022; 6:00 pm at Plantation Golf & Country Club

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.
- ***Players who complete 72 holes and do not advance to Q-Series will earn 2023 Epson Tour status.***
- A minimum of Top 30 and ties will advance to Q-Series; final number TBD prior to the start of the Stage II competition.

Stage II Exempt Criteria:

- Epson Tour Members ranked #1-125, including those tied for 125th place on the 2022 Epson Tour Official Money list as of the entry deadline
- LPGA Tour Members ranked outside of the Top 150 and ties on the 2022 LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2022 LPGA MEDIHEAL Championship*
- Professional players who, as of the entry deadline, won an amount of money in Official Epson Tour Events that is equal to or greater than the amount of Official Money won by the Epson Tour Member who was in 100th place on the Epson 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.
- Players ranked #1-5, and those tied for 5th place, on the 2022 PXG Race to Stage II 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 2022 World Amateur Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline.
- Winner of the 2022 Juli Inkster Senior Award.

NOTE: Additional players may be moved from Q-Series to Stage II as described in the criteria for Q-Series (see page 6).



Qualifying School LPGA Q-Series

Entries Open: Wednesday, September 7, 2022
Entry Deadline: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:00 pm EST

Tournament Dates:

Week One: Thursday - Sunday, December 1-4, 2022. **Rain Date; Monday December 5, 2022**

Week Two: Thursday - Sunday, December 8-11, 2022. **Rain Date: Monday, December 12, 2022**

Location: Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail

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

Week 2: Highland Oaks Golf Course (hybrid of 9 holes Highlands and 9 holes Marshwood); Dothan, AL

Eligibility:

- Players must compete in Q-Series as a professional. **Any amateur player advancing from Stage II must compete in Q-Series as a professional.** Such players must return a "Confirmation of Status" form (to be provided by the Tour) prior to 5pm ET on Friday, November 18, 2022.
- Female **Professionals** must be 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2023, including those qualifying to advance from Stage II.
- 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, 2022. Please contact Tommy Tangtiphaiboontana at tommyt@lpga.com for more information.
- 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.

Entries:

- Entry application for exempt players must be received by the entry deadline. Entry fees are payable by credit card **ONLY** and due at the time of application unless noted otherwise below.
- 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.
- Q-Series Entry Fees:
 - **Exempt LPGA, LET and Epson Tour Members** – \$2500 USD
 - **Top-75 Rolex-ranked players** – \$5500 USD
 - **Players beginning at Qualifying Stage II** – \$1500 USD; payable after the conclusion of Stage II and due on or before 5pm ET on Friday, November 18, 2022
 - **Players beginning at Qualifying Stage I** – \$0 USD



COVID-19 Protocols:

If required, pre-travel and/or on-site COVID testing for players, caddies, and support personnel will be at the expense of the Player.

Player and Caddie Registration:

- Players must register in person on Tuesday, November 29 between 8:00 am – 4:00 pm
- Caddies without a 2022 LPGA Caddie Credential must complete the online Caddie Registration Form for Q-Series. A link to this form will be sent to players after the conclusion of Stage II.

Format:

- 144 holes of stroke-play competition; cut after week one.
- Scores will be cumulative across both 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.
- ***Minimum of Top 45 and ties earn 2023 LPGA Tour status for 2023 (final total number TBD). Players finishing outside the Top 20 and ties will earn 2023 Epson Tour status. 2023 category status and number of membership cards will be determined by LPGA prior to the start of the LPGA Q-Series competition.***

Exempt to Q-Series:

- 2022 LPGA Tour Members ranked #101-150, including those tied for 150th place on the LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2022 LPGA MEDIHEAL Championship*
- 2022 LPGA Tour Members ranked #101-150, including those tied for 150th place on the LPGA Points List at the conclusion of the *2022 Pelican Women's Championship*. Members qualifying through this category will be entered when identified.
- 2022 Epson Tour Members ranked #11-35, including those tied for 35th place on the season-ending Epson Tour Official Money List.
- Players ranked #1-10 including those tied for 10th 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 8, 2022)**. Players will be ranked in the order of their position on the list as of August 8, 2022. If more than 10 players apply through this Category, remaining players may be moved to start the qualifying process at Stage II.