

Terms and Conditions June 29 – July 1, 2023 Sultan's Run Golf Club, Jasper, IN

The below will serve as the Terms and Conditions for the Senior LPGA Championship (the "Championship"). By participating in the Championship you ("Player") agree to be bound by these Terms and Conditions. Player also agrees to abide and be governed by the Event Entry Agreement with FGTA, LLC d/b/a Epson Tour ("TOUR"), which includes the Event Entry Terms & Conditions and the Tournament and Player Regulations of the Ladies Professional Golf Association ("LPGA") (a copy of which is available in the Championship Office or you can email tourops@lpga.com to obtain a copy).

# **PURSE and FORMAT**

54-Holes stroke play with no cut. The total purse for the Championship will be USD \$400,000 with a first-place prize of USD \$60,000. The purse breakdown will be determined by the Legends Tour.

## **ELIGIBILITY & ENTRIES**

The Championship will be open to female professionals aged forty-five (45) and older as of the date of the first scheduled competition round (12:00AM on Thursday, June 29, 2023).

Player may enter the Championship beginning Wednesday, April 5, at 10:00 am ET by applying <u>HERE</u>. Entries will close on Wednesday, June 7, 2023, at 5:00PM ET. It is solely the Player's responsibility to ensure that this application is received by TOUR no later than 5:00pm ET on the entry deadline date. This entry will be automatically rejected if received by the TOUR after such date and time.

LPGA Tour Members and LPGA Professionals Members will pay an entry fee of Two-Hundred Dollars (USD\$200) ("Entry Fee") before playing the Championship course, including practice rounds and Pro-Am.

All other Players will pay an entry fee of Two-Hundred Dollars (USD\$200) ("Entry Fee"), plus an additional Thirty Dollar (\$30.00) for individual liability insurance covering potential injury or damage that may arise from Player's participation in the Championship.

Entry fee to be paid by credit card only. The Tour will contact you if they do not have valid credit card information on file.

# CRITERIA - A maximum of 78 professional Players determined as follows:

- 1. Two (2) Sponsor Invites
- 2. Two (2) Players as determined by a Local Qualifying Round
- 3. Members of the LPGA and/or World Golf Halls of Fame
- 4. Past winners of the Senior LPGA Championship
- 5. Winners of the 2019, 2021, and 2022 U.S. Senior Women's Open
- 6. Winners of the Senior Division of the 2019, 2021, and 2022 LPGA Professionals National Championships
- 7. Players who finished in the Top-25 and ties at the 2022 Senior LPGA Championship
- 8. Players who finished in the Top-25 and ties at the 2022 U.S. Senior Women's Open
- 9. Players who finished in the Top-15 and ties in the Championship Division at the 2022 LPGA Professionals National Championship
- 10. Players who finished in the Top-8 and ties in the Senior Division at the 2022 LPGA Professionals National Championship
- 11. Players who finished in the Top-2 and ties in the 2023 PGA Senior Women's Stroke Play Championship
- 12. Past winners of an LPGA Major Championship
- 13. Winners of an Official LPGA Tour event in the previous 10 years
- 14. Winners of Legends Tour events in 2021 and 2022 [inclusive of official and unofficial events with a minimum of thirty-six (36) holes of tournament play completed]
- 15. Players ranked #1-40 and ties on the current-year Legends Tour Performance Points List as of the Commitment Deadline
- 16. The balance of the field will be filled by Players, ranked in the order of their position on the official LPGA Career Money list as of the Commitment Deadline.



#### LOCAL QUALIFYING ROUND

The local qualifying round will be held on Monday, June 26, 2023. An entry fee of Two-Hundred Dollars (USD\$200) ("Entry Fee") will be collected from LPGA Tour Members and LPGA Professionals Members.

All other Players will pay an entry fee of Two-Hundred Dollars (USD\$200) ("Entry Fee"), plus an additional Thirty Dollars (\$30.00) for individual liability insurance covering potential injury or damage that may arise from Player's participation in the Championship.

Entry fee for the local qualifying round will be applied toward the tournament entry fee for the two (2) Players who qualify.

<u>Players</u> who have entered the main tournament and are on the Reserve list at the commitment deadline will automatically be entered for the local qualifying round.

Players who DO NOT wish to participate in the local qualifying round can indicate so at time of entry.

## **WITHDRAWALS**

If a Player needs to withdraw from the Championship **before the Commitment Deadline**, she must call Jolene Lu, Epson Tour Player Services at (407) 873-1805. Withdrawals will not be accepted via email or by anyone other than the Player.

If a Player needs to withdraw from the Championship **after the Commitment Deadline**, she must call the Advance Official, Ben Larson at (334) 790-3574. Withdrawals will not be accepted via email or by anyone other than the Player.

- 1. Withdrawals made after the Commitment Deadline will be considered late withdrawals. Late withdrawals will be subject to a \$250 fine.
- 2. Players may only withdraw after the Commitment Deadline for reasons of injury or other disability which requires medical attention, or serious personal emergency, such as the funeral or serious illness of a family member or close personal friend.
- 3. Upon withdrawal, Player must notify TOUR of the reason for the withdrawal and within fifteen (15) days of the withdrawal, submit written evidence supporting such reason to the Chief Tour Operations Officer. For withdrawals related to injury or illness, a Player letter must include additional documentation from an appropriately qualified and licensed medical physician, or from the designated on-site physical therapist, substantiating the nature of the ailment and prescribed treatment.
- 4. Please note: Fatigue will not be considered a valid reason for withdrawing.
- 5. If a Player begins play in the Championship and subsequently withdraws from play for any reason, she must notify a TOUR Rules Official immediately upon discontinuing play during the round.
- 6. If a Player withdraws either before or during any round of the Championship for any reason, and the round is canceled, she is deemed to have withdrawn from the Championship and she is no longer eligible to compete in the Championship.

Players who have not registered or contacted a TOUR Rules Official at the Championship site within thirty (30) minutes of their first-round starting time, established by the TOUR Rules Committee, will be withdrawn and replaced by alternates.

## **USE OF DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES**

Players MAY use distance measuring device(s) during official competition rounds.

# PACE OF PLAY

The TOUR's Pace of Play Policy will be used for the Championship. Policy is included as Addendum – Pace of Play. Please read carefully and direct all questions to a TOUR Rules Official.

# **CARTS**

Any Player wishing to use a golf cart may do so for any official round. Player and caddie can ride together at any time during the round. No one other than Player or the caddie may ride in or operate the cart.



Player carts must be parked away from the ball and in a position, which avoids interference for spectators and media. A detailed cart parking policy will be distributed prior to teeing off. Violation of this rule may result in a fine and/or disqualification from the Championship.

# **CADDIES**

All Players must use a caddie during Championship rounds unless a TOUR Rules Official grants permission to waive this rule. Players do not need to provide their own caddies for the Pro-Ams or practice rounds.

All caddies are required to register with Tour in advance of the Championship week, obtain a caddie credential and if applicable pay a deposit for caddie vests and/or towels (all deposits will be refunded after vests and/or towels are returned to the caddie area).

- 1. The TOUR reserves the right to determine eligibility for a caddie.
- 2. A Player may bring her own caddie or request a local caddie through the Championship office.
- 3. Only Player who request a local caddie through the Championship office will be assigned one.
- 4. The following regulations must be followed when requesting a local caddie:
  - a. Player must state the day she wants the local caddie to be available. If no day is stated, the local caddie will be available beginning Monday of Championship week. Payment is expected for each day beginning Monday of Championship Week (or another day if stated) through the Player's last round.
  - b. Players requesting a caddie shall take the caddie assigned to her by the Caddie Chairman. If the caddie is unsatisfactory, Player may be assigned another caddie by the Caddie Chairman.

# **CADDIEING BY COMPETITORS**

A Player who is exempt into the Championship field may not caddie/continue to caddie in the local qualifier. A Player may also not caddy at any time during the Championship proper. Violation of this policy will be withdrawal from the Championship as both caddie and Player.

### PRACTICE ROUND REGULATIONS

- 1. Official practice rounds will be available on Monday, June 27, 2023. Practice round tee times will be available on a first come, first serve basis. Sign-up sheets will be located in the pro shop.
- 2. A Player may join a group at the turn at any time, as long as there are no more than four Players in the group and the group behind is not held up.
- 3. Players are expected to use common courtesy while playing a practice round, including the following:
  - a. The group should leave the green when players in the group behind are in the fairway ready to play.
  - b. Players may play only two (2) shots into a green.
- 4. Caddies are permitted on the practice putting green to retrieve pitch and run shots (no lofted shots), and may also retrieve (shag) putts, provided the putting green is neither damaged nor crowded.
- 5. If the practice putting green is crowded, Player should retrieve her own putts.

#### PRACTICE ON PRO-AM DAYS

Players may play before and after the Pro-Am rounds, provided they do not interfere with the maintenance crews' ability to prepare the course for the following day. More information regarding specific practice times will be provided prior to Championship week.



### PRO-AM

There will be two (2) official Pro-Ams during Championship week. Pro-Ams will be held Tuesday, June 27 and Wednesday, June 28, 2023, on the tournament course.

The Pro-Am is a critical part of Championship week, and we ask that Players make every effort to participate in the Pro-Am. Withdrawals from the Pro-Am will only be accepted for reasons of medical or personal emergency.

Players will be chosen to play the Pro-Am based on the below process:

- 1. Players will qualify to play in the official Pro-Am according to the order of their competition eligibility.
- A tournament may select up to twenty (20) players in the final field, not otherwise qualified, to participate in the Pro-Am as a "sponsor selection".

A Player who is more than five (5) minutes late for her designated Pro-Am starting time and who does not arrive at her official Pro-Am group prior to the time the first participant of her Pro-Am team tees off on the second hole, will be disqualified from the Pro-Am and withdrawn from the Championship.

## **PLAY-OFF**

In the event of a tie for first place, the winner shall be determined by a hole-by-hole play-off. The play-off will begin immediately after the final stroke of the last regulation round and after the scorecards have been declared official. Unless otherwise determined by the Rules Committee, the order of play will be based off the Players' final round starting times with the Player with the earliest starting time teeing off first. For Players with identical starting times, the order will revert to the order in which the Players teed off during the final round of the competition within their starting time. Players who started the final round on #1 will be ordered ahead of those Players with the same starting times off #10.

# SUSPENSION OF PLAY GUIDELINES

In situations involving the suspension of play due to factors such as inclement weather, air quality, security, local health or other emergencies etc., the first priority regarding competition is to make every effort to complete all scheduled rounds. Every reasonable effort will be made to achieve this objective by Sunday which could include playing 36 holes on the final day. If this cannot be accomplished, play may be extended to Monday if conditions and the weather forecast permit.

If play is suspended, every effort will be made to resume play the same day, even when that round cannot be completed before dark. If it is impossible for the entire field to finish a scheduled round, there are two (2) options:

- 1. To cancel the round and play it in its entirety the next day; or
- 2. To finish the suspended round when conditions permit.

If less than fifty percent (50%) of the starting field completes play on a scheduled day of competition, the round may be canceled. The decision to cancel a round will be at the discretion of the Rules Committee. **The penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.** 

All practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the TOUR Rules Committee has declared them open for use.

A suspension for a dangerous situation shall be signaled by one prolonged siren or horn blast. All other types of suspension shall be signaled by several short intermittent siren or horn blasts. Resumption of play shall be signaled by two prolonged siren or horn blasts.

## **COMPETITOR ACCESS**

Players will be provided with a credential for the Championship week. This credential will allow Players access to all areas, including Player parking, locker room, practice facilities, golf course, Player dining – and any other areas where Players are permitted from Monday, June 26, 2023, through Sunday, July 2, 2023. Access prior to June 26 will be at the discretion of the host club.



### APPEARANCE OF PLAYERS - "INSIDE THE ROPES"

- 1. Players are expected to dress and present themselves in a professional manner and reflect a positive image to the public (e.g., fans, sponsors, club officials, charities, junior golfers, etc.) when participating in tournament events.
- 2. Player clothing and shoes shall always be clean and neat. Length of shorts and skirts/skorts, and shirt necklines, should be in good taste and portray a professional image. Undergarments may not be visible.
  - a. The following articles of clothing are strictly prohibited: denim bottoms (all colors), cut-off shorts, gym shorts, tank tops, and tops that show midriffs. (Exception: Designer jeans are acceptable to wear to and from the golf course, and during Pro-Am functions; however, jeans with stylized holes, rips, tears, etc. are not acceptable.).

## **USE OF MOBILE DEVICES**

Players and caddies are not allowed to use any mobile device, including cellular phones, while inside the gallery ropes during any tournament round, unless a life-threatening, emergency or security situation develops, or is given permission by a Rules Official. Players and caddies may use mobile devices during a Pro-Am or practice round to engage in social media only. Uses of mobile devices on the practice areas are limited to social media, music, or video for the purposes of swing analysis. Making or receiving calls is prohibited and devices should be set to a silent mode.

## **USE OF CARTS BY FAMILY/FRIENDS**

- 1. Friends and family members of Players may not use golf carts unless (a) approved by a TOUR Rules Official; or (b) when the friend or family is participating as a member of a Pro-Am group.
- 2. Friends and family members of Players may use scooters outside the ropes as arranged on their own.

# PARKING, LOCKER ROOM, PETS

- A suitable area where Players may park near the clubhouse will be reserved. Players are only allowed one (1) vehicle in the lot (including for herself, family, caddie, etc.) at any one time, unless otherwise posted. A Player shall not give her player credentials to anyone. A Player who violates this policy will incur a fine of \$500.
- 2. Parking campers or mobile homes overnight on the premises of the tournament site is prohibited and applicable to all Players. A Player who violates this rule will incur a fine of \$500.
- 3. Pets are permitted at tournament site throughout Championship week in accordance with the host club's policies. At no time may a pet be in the clubhouse or locker room, or in any area where food is prepared or served. Pets may not be inside-the-ropes and may only be walked outside-the-ropes during competition if permitted by the host club. Tour reserves the right to remove any pet who in any way disturbs the competition, another Player or fan. A Player who violates this rule will incur a fine of \$100 for each occurrence.
  - a. Note: This Regulation does not apply to Service Animals that are trained to do work or perform a task for a person with a disability. Tour will accommodate a Service Animal for a Player or Player's family member through its Americans with Disabilities Act ("ADA") accommodation policy. Please also note that Service Animals are working animals, and dogs whose sole function is to provide comfort or emotional support do not qualify as Service Animals under the ADA.
- 4. Players shall not take advantage of host club and tournament facilities by bringing friends, guests or family into the locker room or sponsor hospitality area at any time during Championship week unless the area is designated for such guests. A Player who violates this rule will incur a fine of \$100.
- 5. Players shall not remove food from the locker room or hospitality areas for consumption by those other than themselves. A Player who violates this rule will incur a fine of \$100.