

2018

Tournament Information & Entry Forms



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PGA of Alberta 2018 Tournament Schedule

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	SPONSOR
MAY 1	TEAM MATCH PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP		
MAY 7	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	VULCAN G&CC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
MAY 14	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	SIROCCO GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
MAY 28	PRO-PRO SCRAMBLE	WINDERMERE G&CC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE
MAY 29	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	VALLEY RIDGE GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 4	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	RIVER SPIRIT GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 5	TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS	MCKENZIE MEADOWS G&CC	CALLAWAY
JUNE 11	PRO-LADY NORTH	CARDIFF G&CC	EFW RADIOLOGY & PIXEL ARMY
JUNE 12 & 13	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	LYNX RIDGE GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JUNE 18	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	JAGARE RIDGE GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JULY 3 & 4	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	WOLF CREEK GR	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JULY 9	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	STONY PLAIN GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
JULY 10	PRO-JUNIOR	BLACKHAWK GC	
JULY 16	PRO-LADY SOUTH	REDWOOD MEADOWS G&CC	EFW RADIOLOGY
JULY 30 & 31	CLUB PRO CHAMPIONSHIP	INNISFAIL GC	PING
AUGUST 1	PRO-SENIOR	HIGHLANDS GC	
AUGUST 7 & 8	ASSISTANTS' CHAMPIONSHIP	THE RANCH G&CC	COBRA PUMA GOLF
AUGUST 13	STEWART CREEK G&CC	STEWART CREEK G&CC	G&G GOLF COMPANY & ALLSTATE INSURANCE
AUGUST 20 & 21	PGA OF ALBERTA CHAMPIONSHIP	RIVER BEND G&RA	CLUB CAR & TAYLORMADE & ADIDAS
AUGUST 27	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE SERIES	LEDUC GC	GOLF SUPPLY HOUSE & IMPACT TOURNAMENTS
SEPTEMBER 4 & 5	LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP	COTTONWOOD G&CC	DEXIM GOLFWEAR
SEPTEMBER 4 & 5	SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP	COTTONWOOD G&CC	MKRAK
SEPTEMBER 10 & 11	FALL CHAMPIONSHIP	ROYAL MAYFAIR GC	SUNICE
SEPTEMBER 13	TEAM MATCH PLAY FINAL	RED DEER G&CC	
OCTOBER 1 & 2	PRO ASSISTANT	KANANASKIS GC	CALLAWAY

April 27, 2018

Dear PGA of Alberta Member,

Welcome to the 2018 PGA of Alberta tournament season. In the enclosed manual, you will find all of the necessary information regarding our 2018 PGA of Alberta Tournament Program.

Some changes have been made to the tournament program for the upcoming season. We encourage you to read through this page in order to update yourself on what to expect in this coming season:

1. After much thought and discussion by the Tournament Committee, the 2018 season will see the combination of the Professional Series and Players' Tour into one circuit called the Golf Supply House Series. The Golf Supply House Series will consist of 7 one-day and 2 two-day events taking place throughout the summer in Alberta. Category I and II Members according to the PGA of Alberta Tournament Eligibility are eligible to play in these events.

Category III Members will be eligible to participate in Golf Supply House Series events in 2018 if the tournament is not full three weeks prior to the event date. Please note the Category III registration open date on the tournament page on the website.

At the end of the season, the top 30 money leaders on the Golf Supply House Series will qualify for the 2018 Fall Championship (formerly the Tour Championship) in September (Category III members are ineligible to participate in the Fall Championship). Members are eligible to play in as many Golf Supply House Series events as they wish this season.

2. The Team Match Play Championship will no longer have an opening round for participants. Teams will now be responsible for coordinating all of their matches for the Championship, including round one and two. The office will create a bracket and teams will have to schedule their own matches within a specific time frame. Every team is guaranteed a minimum of 2 matches with an entry fee of \$315 per team (includes GST), which is \$70 less per team than last year. Teams will have approximately 3-4 weeks to complete each round of the Championship. Deadlines for matches will be posted on the website soon.
3. With now only having one series in the Golf Supply House Series, the format for the Fall Championship will be slightly different for the upcoming season. The top 30 money leaders from the Golf Supply House Series will automatically qualify for the Fall Championship while the remaining 20 spots will be filled by the top individual money earners of the season who have not yet qualified.

New for this season will be a \$100 entry fee attached for everyone that qualifies for the Championship. This is to help keep the purse as enticing as possible for participants as well ensure the Championship remains on the calendar for years to come. The Fall Championship will be hosted at the prestigious Royal Mayfair GC this year on September 10 & 11.

4. The winner of the Assistants' and Club Pro Championships will be granted a spot on their respective team, same as in previous years. The remaining three spots on each team will be determined by overall Order of Merit points accumulated during the season. Teaching Professionals are eligible to play in the Assistants' Championship and Head Teaching Professionals in the Club Pro Championship.
5. The Pro-Junior tournament will only consist of 1 event this season located at Blackhawk GC on July 10th. As mentioned previously, it was a focus of the Committee to reduce the overall number of tournaments this year to help increase participation for remaining events. The tournament will rotate from North to South every other year.
6. The Pro-Assistant location has been confirmed at Kananaskis Country GC and has been reduced to 18-holes per day rather than the previous 27-holes per day. The format will continue with the Best Ball, Scramble and Scotch Ball in a six-hole rotation each day. The max field set for the Pro-Assistant this year is 60 teams due to playing 18-holes per day. All teams outside of the first 60 will be placed on a waitlist for the event.
7. Rules Officials will only be present at Championships and Pro-Am events in 2018. There will be no officials at any Golf Supply House Series event on Team Event (Pro-Pro Scramble, Pro-Pro Best Ball, Pro-Assistant).

As our Members are the most trusted resource in golf, we ask participants to officiate themselves during the round. Any disputes will be handled by the tournament staff onsite as well as the host Professional.

8. In the best interests of our Members and competitors, the PGA of Alberta looks to protect the safety and wellbeing of Members at all sanctioned events. Only under extreme weather conditions (temperatures now exceeding 25 degrees Celsius, including Humidex) will shorts be permitted.

The Association and Tournament Committee will also continue to enforce two significant changes that were made prior to the 2010 season. All Members will continue to be required to fill out the Tournament Eligibility Form online on an annual basis prior to competing in any events to confirm eligibility for Association tournaments. Members will be put into one of three possible categories depending on their facility and their employment status (full-time/part-time). These categories will then confirm eligibility for 2018 events. **This form is online and no Member will be allowed to enter a tournament until the form is received and approved by the office staff.**

We hope you find the time this season to compete in our Association's Tournaments and provide us with your feedback as the season moves along,

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PGA of Alberta Tournament Committee Co-Chair
PGA of Alberta Tournament Committee Co-Chair
PGA of Alberta Tournament Coordinator

HOSTING INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Golf Supply House Series

This series consists of 7 one-day events and 2 two-day events, equaling to a total of 11 rounds. They are usually held on Monday or Tuesday mornings, however, as the Association moves forward these events could be held on any day throughout the week and at any time of day at the host club's discretion. Field sizes range between 40 and 70 players, so the clubs are being asked for up to 20 tee times for groups of three playing every ten minutes, a maximum of 3 1/2 hours of tee times, or a full crossover start.

HOSTING TEAM EVENTS

Tournament of Champions (Early June)

Approximate Revenue \$10,000

The Tournament of Champions features a Class A Head Professional (or Executive Professional), and their previous year's Club Champion, competing in an 18-hole best ball tournament. The top 28% of the field win prizes. The event is usually held as a 10:00am or 1:00pm shotgun, with a lunch prior to the tournament and snacks or dinner following.

Pro-Lady (Early June/Mid July)

Approximate Revenue \$9,000

The PGA of Alberta runs two Pro-Lady events, one in the Edmonton Area and one in the Calgary Area. The Pro-Lady consists of one PGA of Alberta Professional paired up with a Female Amateur in a net best ball format, with the top professional scores also winning money. Each event features a maximum of 50 teams and is usually held as a 10:00am or 1:00pm shotgun, with a lunch prior to the tournament and snacks or dinner following.

Pro-Pro Scramble (June)

Approximate Revenue \$6,000

The Pro-Pro Scramble features two PGA of Alberta Members participating in a team scramble format. The shotgun event is usually held as a 10:00am or 1:00pm shotgun, with a lunch prior and snacks following the event.

Pro-Junior (Early July)

Approximate Revenue \$10,000

The PGA of Alberta runs one Pro-Junior event, which will cycle between the North (Edmonton) and the South (Calgary) every year. The Pro-Junior consists of one PGA of Alberta Professional paired up with a Junior Golfer in a team best ball format. The top 3 Teams in the Gross Division and 28% of the Net Division win prizes. Top professional scores also win money. The event features a maximum of 60 teams and is usually held as a 10:00am or 1:00pm shotgun, with a lunch prior to the tournament and snacks or dinner following.

Pro-Senior (late August/early September)

Approximate Revenue \$10,000

The Pro-Senior consists of one Golf Professional paired up with a Senior Member in a net best ball format, with the top professional scores also winning money. The event features a maximum of 50 teams and is usually held as a 10:00am or 1:00pm shotgun, with a lunch prior to the tournament and snacks or dinner following.

Pro-Pro Best Ball (mid-September)

Approximate Revenue \$6,000

The Pro-Pro Best Ball features two PGA of Alberta Members participating in a team best ball format. The shotgun event is usually held at 1:00pm with a lunch prior and snacks following the event.

Pro-Assistant (Early October)

Approximate Revenue \$14,000

The Pro-Assistant features an Executive Professional with their Head Professional or a Head Professional with one of their Assistant Professionals from their facility. This event is a 2-day 36-hole tournament, (six holes each day played in a different format: best ball, scotch ball and scramble). The maximum field size is 60 teams, with the shotgun starting at 10am both days, a dinner following the first round and appetizers following the second round.

HOSTING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Club Professional Championship

Approximate Revenue \$5,000

The PGA of Alberta Club Professional Championship is a two-day, 36-hole Championship open to PGA of Alberta Executive Professionals (Class A), Head Professionals (Class A), and Head Teaching Professionals (Class A). The field is typically in the range of 70 players, with a maximum field size established at 80 for this event. Ideally tee times begin between 7am and 8am both days, with a dinner following the first round. Play is in threesomes playing in 10-minute intervals. For the past five years, the final group of the Championship has played in very close to 4 hours.

PGA of Alberta Championship

Approximate Revenue \$10,000

The PGA of Alberta Championship is the Association's flagship event, open to all Category I & II Members of the PGA of Alberta as well as all Life and Retired Members. The field usually consists of up to 110 players but we ask that the event be open to a maximum of 144. Tee times ideally begin between 7am and 8am both days, with players being provided a meal following or prior to their round. Play is in threesomes playing in 10-minute intervals and for the past four years, the final group of the Championship has played in very close to 4 hours. This event also includes a Pro-Am, known as our Media Day, one day prior to the Championship, and features approximately 6 teams including PGA of Alberta Past Champions and other invited Members and invited guests, including media members, PGA of Alberta Sponsors and members of the host club.

Assistants' Championship

Approximate Revenue \$6,500

The Assistants' Championship is open to all Assistants Professionals (Class A), Teaching Professionals (Class A) and Candidates for Membership of the PGA of Alberta in good standing working at an Approved Golf Course. The field usually consists of 80 players but we ask that the event be open to a maximum of 120. Tee times ideally begin between 7am and 8am both days, with players being provided a meal following or prior to their round. Play is in threesomes playing in 10-minute intervals and for the past four years, the final group of the championship has played in approximately 4 hours.

Senior Championship

Approximate Revenue \$3,500

We have traditionally required between 12 and 15 tee times per day to accommodate the field for the Senior Championship. Tee times for the first day typically begin in the afternoon with an upscale dinner to follow for all competitors as well as their guests. Tee times on the second day begin in the morning with snacks to follow during the prize presentation.

Ladies' Championship

Approximate Revenue \$1,000

This Championship features a small field size of 8-12 players and includes a dinner following both rounds of competition.

Club Information

Tournament Formats

Championships	18 Hole Crossover / Tee Times on two consecutive days, threesomes, 10 min intervals
Series Events	18 Hole Crossover / Tee Times, threesomes, 10 min intervals
Team Events	18 Hole Shotgun at 10am or 1pm

Field Sizes

Championships	Maximum 144, Average varies depending on Championship type
Golf Supply House Series	Maximum 80, Average 50
Team Events	Maximum 120, Average 100 (Pro Assistant is open to 176 players)

Club Responsibilities

- For Championships - create pin sheet for each day of play based on PGA of Alberta template.
- Prize presentation executed by Host Professional immediately after completion of event.
- Determine tee placement prior to event based on tournament conditions and weather forecast.
- Check conditions of course prior to event date to ensure proper playing conditions.
- Marking course for accurate Golf Canada, supplemental and local rules (as required).
- Provide Carts, Meals & Practice Balls on Driving Range for all players.
- Make cart signs with club names and starting holes (team events only).
- Provide volunteers as required (Championships) to assist with scoring & spotting.
- Coordinate all meals as players finish their round or prior to starting.
- Make pro shop gift certificates for amateur prizes (team events only).
- Distribute and collect PGA of Alberta pins, flags and tee markers.
- Provide both the office staff and Rules Officials with carts for marshalling, ruling purposes.
- Support PGA staff onsite with any course rulings or disputes.

Benefits to Club (per player per day)

Meals	\$25 Championships, GSH Series (2-day) and Team Events only
Green Fee	\$20 Championships and Team Events only
Carts	\$15 Team Events only

Other Benefits

Gift Certificates and prizes at Team Pro Am Events	\$3,500 - \$4,500
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Tournament Execution

Communication Plan

The PGA of Alberta follows a communication plan for each of its events, beginning in the winter prior to the tournament season. This plan is designed to enable the office staff to work in conjunction with the host professional and host club staff to produce the highest quality event possible for all participants.

Year Round PGA of Alberta office staff contacts potential hosts for the following tournament season.

March 5 Tournament schedule is finalized for the season ahead.

One month prior to event Office staff to confirm specific food & beverage requirements with host club food & beverage manager (meal, time that meal is required, cost, etc.).

Two weeks prior to event Office staff or member of PGA of Alberta Tournament Committee to contact host professional to update preparation for event (likely field size, number of start times required, arrival day/time for tournament staff, pin sheet needs).

One week prior to event Office staff to contact host superintendent through host professional to determine pin locations, tee locations, and any other course set-up issues.

Day before event For North events and some South events, office staff will arrive the day before the event to drop off tournament trailer containing pins and tee markers for the next day's round.

Day of event Tournament staff to arrive on site at minimum one hour before the first time for Series events, or at minimum two hours before the shotgun for Team events - tee markers and flags to be sent out on the golf course with host superintendent to prepare the golf course for participants. If alternate arrangements need to be made (i.e. earlier arrival time for pins / tees), please contact Office in advance.

Upon completion of event Office staff to request an invoice be sent to the PGA of Alberta, to be paid upon arrival and approval by the Tournament Coordinator.

Yardage Guidelines

Championship Events	6,700 yards - 7,000 yards
Golf Supply House Series	6,500 yards - 6,800 yards
Senior Championship	6,200 yards - 6,400 yards
Ladies' Championship	5,800 yards - 6,100 yards
Team Events - Professionals	6,500 yards
Male Amateurs/Female Professionals	6,000 yards
Female Amateurs	5,500 yards

*Female Professionals will play at approximately 90% of the stipulated yardage in all events open to male and female Professionals. Yardage will be determined by the office staff in conjunction with the host superintendent and host professional but will play at a maximum of 6,400 yards for females.

Onsite Responsibilities

Upon arrival at the tournament site on the day of the event, the tournament staff will be responsible for the following: Registration of Participants, Starting, Scoring, Prize Presentation, Rules Officials and Marshalling.

PGA of Alberta Tournament Rules & Regulations

Play is governed by the current Royal Canadian Golf Association (RCGA) Rules of Golf and its Decisions and where applicable, by the following Local Rules, Conditions and Definitions. Any changes or amendments by the PGA of Alberta Rules Committee will be provided to all players on the first tee. Unless otherwise specified, penalty for a breach of a Local Rule or Condition is: Match Play – Loss of Hole; Stroke Play - two (2) strokes.

1. GENERAL

The regulations set out below shall govern the operation of all tournaments run under the auspices of the PGA of Alberta and the conduct and responsibilities of the competitors therein. These regulations may be amended or appealed from time to time by the Tournament Committee, if it is felt to be in the interests of the Sponsors and/or the competitors of the game of golf.

2. TOURNAMENT ADMINISTRATION

The Executive Director shall administer the tournament rules laid down by the Tournament Committee. He shall refer to the Tournament Committee any matter that he feels requires the consideration of the Board of Directors of the PGA of Alberta. On notice of appeal, the Executive Director shall submit a written report to the Board in time for such meeting.

3. ENTRIES & PAYMENT OF ENTRY FEES

- (a) **Entries and payments may be made using the online booking system using a valid credit card number. Members electing to pay by cheque may submit their entry by mail or fax, however they will not be registered into an event until their cheque has been received.** As an alternative, Members who wish to pay by cheque may register online using a valid credit card number, and once a cheque has been received in the office the credit card number will be removed from the event. Players are responsible for contacting the office and ensuring the Tournament Eligibility Form as well as all event payments have been received and processed. Phone entries will not be accepted.

Credit Cards will be charged two weeks prior to the event unless otherwise requested.

Cheques must be dated no later than the **entry deadline date**.

Send entries to: PGA of Alberta, 517 23 Avenue NW, Calgary, Alberta T2M 1S7

Or fax to: (403) 256-8895

- (b) Provision for acceptance of entries, other than those announced, will be at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.
- (c) All draws are final and will not be adjusted for any reason.
- (d) No person may participate unless they are a member in good standing of the PGA of Alberta and they meet the tournament eligibility criteria as laid out in the Tournament Eligibility Form
- (e) Starting times will be available at the registration desk for each tournament. It is the player's responsibility to phone the PGA of Alberta office, the club where the event is being held, or visit the tournament website to confirm starting times.
- (f) Cancellation: Players who wish to withdraw from a tournament, must withdraw online OR notify the zone office in WRITING no later than 4:00PM on the Thursday of the week prior to the event. Please refer to the event entry forms or the tournament page on the website for entry and withdrawal deadlines.
- Withdrawal up to two weeks prior to event, before withdrawal deadline = 100% refund
 - Withdrawal less than two weeks before event, before withdrawal deadline = \$25 administration charge
 - Withdrawal after draw is posted, after registration deadline = NO REFUND
- (g) A player who fails to withdraw online or notify the office staff of their withdrawal from an event will not receive a refund of their entry fee and will receive an automatic fine. Should a player wish to appeal this fine, it must be appealed to the Disciplinary Committee in writing.

4. PRO-AM AND TEAM EVENTS

Amateurs must submit a detailed scoring record of their last 20 rounds, which must be approved by a PGA of Alberta Class A Professional, if they are not searchable on the Golf Canada database. If a scoring record is not provided or they are not

searchable on the Golf Canada database, the amateur will play the event as a '0' handicap for the purposes of net prizes.

5. DRESS CODE

All professionals are required to present a neat, professional appearance, in both clothing and personal grooming, and are required at all times to maintain an acceptable standard of dress both on the golf course and in the precinct of the clubhouse. For example, male professionals are strictly forbidden to wear denim-type jeans, t-shirts or shorts on the premises of a golf course hosting a Tournament. Female professionals must be dressed professionally and must follow the requirements of each host club. This dress code applies to all sanctioned PGA of Alberta events. Violation will result in disqualification.

6. SHORTS POLICY

In the best interests of our Members and competitors, the PGA of Alberta looks to protect the safety and well-being of members at all sanctioned events. Only under extreme weather conditions (temperatures exceeding 25 degrees Celsius, including Humidex) will shorts be permitted. When this condition is in effect, the following guidelines apply:

- (a) Shorts with an elasticized waist, shorts supported by a drawstring, shorts extended below the knee and shorts with large "cargo" style pockets are all prohibited.
- (b) Socks must be worn at all times – ankle socks are permitted as long as they can be seen with shoes on.
- (c) **Note:** Penalty for breach of this condition is DISQUALIFICATION.

7. FOOTWEAR - GOLF SPIKES

It is a condition of the competition that shoes with metal or traditionally designed spikes not be worn at any sanctioned PGA of Alberta tournaments. Penalty for breach of this condition: DISQUALIFICATION.

8. TIME OF STARTING

All players in a group must be present and READY TO PLAY at the time laid down by the Committee, this includes both players in all team competitions. The order of play is not relevant. READY TO PLAY is defined as being on or near the players' first tee accompanied with the necessary equipment needed to put a ball in play. Notification by a PGA of Alberta Rules Official of a two-stroke penalty will be given to late starters (within five minutes) on the first tee or as soon as possible.

9. RULES AND LOCAL RULES

The Rules of the Royal Canadian Golf Association govern play as modified by these Local Rules of the PGA of Alberta. Should any Supplementary Local Rules be required, they will be given to each competitor at the players' first tee. **Local Rules on the host club scorecards shall not apply.**

10. CADDIES

Caddies may be used at all PGA of Alberta sanctioned events. Caddies, are eligible to ride in a power cart, providing it does not exceed the two-cart maximum per group or takes a seat away from a player. Caddies must wear running shoes or a suitable equivalent. Shoes must not have metal or soft spikes. **It is the player's responsibility to ensure the caddy is well informed as to the etiquette of the game of golf.**

11. DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES

A multi-functional device may be used as a distance measuring device, but it must NOT be used to gauge or measure other conditions (such as slope or wind) where doing so would be in breach of rule 14-3.

12. CELL PHONES & LISTENING DEVICES

Cell phones are permitted and refer to Rule 14-3/16 for clarification on what is permitted during play.

13. PACE OF PLAY

A player is subject to penalty if they unduly delay play under the provisions of this Pace of Play Policy under Rule 6-7 Note 2s. All players are required to finish their rounds within the allotted total time par round duration posted on the first tee. A round is considered complete when the scorecard has been handed into the Tournament Committee. Time par for each competition will be placed on all score cards with each host club's pace of play policy taken into consideration. A group is also deemed to be out of position if at least one member of the group is not on a tee box before the group in front puts the flag in for that same hole. The individual(s) will be assessed a two-stroke penalty based on the warning guidelines below. The PGA of Alberta

Tournament Committee Pace of Play guidelines and penalties for slow play are in effect for all PGA of Alberta tournaments and enforceable by the Tournament Rules Committee.

PACE OF PLAY WARNING GUIDELINES

1st Warning	Rules Official warns entire group that they are out of position
2nd Warning	Rules Official must warn one or more individuals who are the cause of the group being out of position and commence timing the individual(s)
3rd Warning	Rules Official to assess a two- stroke penalty to each individual in the group who takes more than 40 seconds to make a stroke when it is clearly their turn to play
4th Warning	Rules Official to assess a penalty of DISQUALIFICATION to one or more individuals who have been assessed a two-stroke penalty and incur a subsequent bad time

In administering the Pace of Play, the PGA of Alberta Rules Committee is acting to improve the general pace of play for all PGA of Alberta tournaments at the direction of the PGA of Alberta Board of Directors. In performance of these duties, a PGA of Alberta Rules Official shall not be subjected to abuse, oral or otherwise. Such abuse by a player is conduct unbecoming of a professional and is subject to disciplinary action as outlined in the Code of Professional Practice.

14. MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION - Appendix I

Automotive transportation is permitted at all PGA of Alberta sanctioned tournaments. **A maximum of 2 carts will be permitted for each group at every event.** Except where permitted by a PGA of Alberta Rules Official, automotive transportation is prohibited by Candidates at the Playing Ability Tests. Automotive transportation is also only available to tournament players and caddies; no spectators. When automotive transportation is authorized, it is forbidden to travel beyond the ball in play. Penalty in stroke play for breach: Two (2) strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: four (4) strokes. Use of any unauthorized form of transportation shall be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the player is disqualified.

15. STOPPAGE OF PLAY OR CANCELLATION OF TOURNAMENT

If in the judgement of the PGA of Alberta Tournament Committee, adverse weather conditions or any other occurrence beyond the control of the PGA of Alberta renders the commencement or continuation of the tournament impracticable, play shall be postponed until the PGA of Alberta Tournament Committee considers that play can be continued. In the event of the curtailment or cancellation of a tournament, prize money shall be distributed as agreed between the sponsor and the PGA of Alberta. Suspension of Play: If during a tournament it becomes necessary to suspend play, PGA of Alberta Rules Officials will circulate the course, sounding a suspension of play signal prescribed in the PGA of Alberta Rules of Play. Competitors shall proceed under this Rule.

Resumption of Play: When conditions allow play to be resumed, PGA of Alberta Rules Officials will circulate the course and sound the resume play signal as prescribed in the PGA of Alberta Rules of Play. Competitors shall proceed under this Rule.

Re-scheduled Event: If a tournament has been re-scheduled to a different date or location the original registrations will be automatically transferred. If you are unable to participate you are required to withdraw from the event.

16. RETURN OF SCORECARDS

Competitors must go directly to the scoring tent (or designated scoring area) immediately following the completion of their final hole. Competitors must not complete and sign their scorecards outside the scoring area. If a competitor fails to report to the scoring area by the time all competitors in the following group have completed play of their final hole, the competitor shall be deemed not to have returned his or her scorecard and shall be disqualified. Competitors in the final group of the draw must report to the Scoring Area without undue delay. A scorecard is deemed to be returned when it has been deposited in the PGA of Alberta Official Scoring Box. It is the competitor's responsibility to hand in his or her own scorecard.

17. CLOSE OF THE COMPETITION

When all scores have been approved by the PGA of Alberta, the result of the competition is deemed to have been officially announced and the competition closed.

18. TIES

- (a) Any competitor involved in a playoff, and not immediately available, takes last playoff position. Multiple no-shows for playoffs shall be decided by lot.
- (b) In the event of a tie, Pro-Am events will be decided by retrogression rule. Ties and prize amounts for all Professionals at every Pro-Am team competition will be divided equally amongst all professionals.
- (c) In the case of a tie for low professional, a sudden death hole by hole playoff will decide a winner.
- (d) In the event of a tie in an Individual event, prize money and any points associated with the event will be divided equally among those tied, except that if a competitor wins a playoff for the Tournament, he or she will receive the first place prize money and points.

19. MEDIA RELATIONS

A competitor posting one of the top three scores in a championship or an individual championship round MUST report to the Media Area if requested by a PGA of Alberta Tournament Official.

20. PRIZE PRESENTATION

The top three competitors in individual competitions and all competitors in team competitions must be present at the prize presentation or be subject to forfeiting their prize monies and/or gift certificates to the PGA of Alberta, unless consent is given by the Tournament Committee.

21. DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

All entrants who have been assessed penalties by the Disciplinary Committee must make payment before being permitted to play in any competition or participate in other PGA of Alberta events.

22. PENALTIES

All penalties must be paid or an appeal made before participation will be allowed in any PGA of Alberta Sanctioned Events, Tournaments or otherwise.

ACTION

No Show - Any PGA of Alberta Sanctioned Event	\$200.00
Withdrawing without approval of Committee	\$200.00
Failing to complete round	DQ & \$200.00
Not returning scorecard (Within 15 minutes)	DQ & \$200.00
Not following Dress Code	DQ
Withdrawing from event caused by lack of preparation (i.e. running out of golf balls)	\$200

MAX. PENALTY

ACTION

Throwing/damaging golf club or equipment	\$200.00
Conduct/language likely to injure the reputation of the Association, Club or Sponsor	\$200.00

MIN. PENALTY

All Offences are subject to the above stipulated monetary fine and/or Meeting with the PGA of Alberta Disciplinary Committee.

23. HOLE-IN-ONE

For Hole-in-One insurance purposes, only holes-in-one on par-threes 175 yards or longer are eligible. The PGA of Alberta will notify players which par threes are eligible for Hole-in- One cash prizes.

24. LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS

Only golf balls named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls recognized by the RCGA may be used. Penalty for use of ball not on List: Disqualification.

25. LIST OF CONFORMING EQUIPMENT

Only equipment listed in the USGA database of clubs with conforming grooves may be used in PGA of Alberta events, with the exception of the Playing Ability Test. Penalty for use of non-conforming equipment: Disqualification.

26. LIMITATION ON GOLF BALLS USED DURING ROUND (ONE BALL RULE)

EXCEPT FOR AMATEURS IN PRO-AM - RULES 5-1 and 33-1

This rule is in effect at all PGA of Alberta sanctioned tournaments except for the Playing Ability Test and the SCOTCH BALL FORMAT OF the PRO ASSISTANT.

27. TIME OF STARTING - NOTE UNDER RULE 6-3 AND APPENDIX I

Note under Rule 6-3 as prescribed shall be in effect. All competitors in a group must be present and ready to play at the time set by the Committee. The order of play is not relevant.

28. PRACTICE - NOTE UNDER RULE 7-2 AND APPENDIX I, SECTION C

A player may not practice on or near the putting green of the hole last played and may not roll a ball on the putting green of the hole last played.

29. SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS SITUATION - NOTE UNDER RULE 6-8b

In potentially dangerous situations, play shall be discontinued immediately following a suspension of play by the PGA of Alberta Rules Committee. If a player fails to discontinue play immediately, he shall be disqualified, unless circumstances warrant waiving such penalty as provided in Rule 33-7.

Note: A suspension for a potentially dangerous situation shall be signalled by one prolonged air horn (or siren) note. All other types of suspension shall be signalled by several consecutive, short air horn (or siren) notes. Resumption of play shall be signalled by two consecutive air horn (or siren) notes.

All practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a potentially dangerous situation until the PGA of Alberta Rules Committee has declared them open. Players who disregard such closed areas shall be subject to disciplinary action.

30. EMBEDDED BALL THROUGH THE GREEN - APPENDIX I

Course conditions, including mud and extreme wetness, may interfere with proper playing of the game and warrant relief for an embedded ball anywhere through the green. Rule 25-2 provides relief, without penalty, for a ball embedded in its own pitch-mark in any closely-mown area through the green. **Exceptions:**

(a) A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if the ball is embedded in sand in an area that is not closely-mown.

(b) A player may not take relief under this Local Rule if interference by anything other than the condition covered by this Local Rule makes the stroke clearly impracticable.

31. MARKING POSITION OF LIFTED BALL

Before a ball on the putting green is lifted, its position shall be marked by placing a small coin or some similar object immediately behind the ball; if the ball marker interferes with another player, it should be moved one or more putter head lengths to one side. If the position of the ball is not so marked, the player shall incur a penalty of one stroke and the ball shall be replaced. If the ball is not replaced, the player shall incur the penalty for breach of Rule 20-3a, but no additional penalty under this Local Rule shall be applied. (This modifies Rule 20-1).

32. OUT OF BOUNDS - RULE 27

Defined by the nearest inside points of white stakes and/or property fence posts at ground level.

33. GROUND UNDER REPAIR - RULE 25

All areas enclosed by white lines and/or French drains (exposed trenches filled with rocks or stones) whether they are marked or not.

34. IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS - RULE 24-2

White lined areas tying into artificially surfaced roads, paths or obstructions are declared to have the same status, thus are part of the obstructions and are not ground under repair.

35. WATER HAZARDS, LATERAL WATER HAZARDS - RULE 26

Water hazard margins are marked by yellow stakes or defined by yellow lines. Lateral water hazard margins are marked by red stakes or defined by red lines.

36. INTEGRAL PARTS OF THE COURSE

When closely attached to objects, wrappings, wires, cables, etc., are not considered obstructions. No FREE relief is provided. They are integral parts of the course and are deemed to be fixed.

37. TEMPORARY OBSTRUCTIONS

Local Rule as prescribed in the RCGA Decisions on the Rules of Golf book shall be in effect.

38. SEAMS OF CUT TURF

The Local Rule for seams of Cut Turf as prescribed in Appendix 1 is in effect.

39. ALCOHOL

The consumption of alcoholic beverages is not permitted by any Member of the PGA of Alberta prior to, or during the stipulated round of a stroke play or best ball competition. The stipulated round is deemed to be completed upon the return of the competitor's scorecard.

40. ACCIDENTAL MOVEMENT OF A BALL ON A PUTTING GREEN – RULE 18-2

When a player's ball lies on the putting green, there is no penalty if the ball or ball-marker is accidentally moved by the player, his partner, his opponent, or any of their caddies or equipment.

The moved ball or ball-marker must be replaced as provided in Rules 18-2, 18-3 and 20-1. This Local Rule applies only when the player's ball or ball-marker lies on the putting green and any movement is accidental.

Note: If it is determined that a player's ball on the putting green was moved as a result of wind, water, or some other natural cause such as the effects of gravity, the ball must be played as it lies from its new location. A ball-marker moved in such circumstances is replaced.

PGA of Alberta Tournament Eligibility

The employment status of a PGA of Alberta Member will be the major determining factor in which events, if any, they can play. The PGA of Alberta has developed a list of Approved Facilities* and certain restrictions will be placed on Member participation in events depending upon their employment status as it relates to these facilities and their hours worked in the golf industry. Members whose employment changes during the season must notify the PGA of Alberta office within 5 business days and will be subject to review and possible category re-assignment by the Eligibility Committee which is a subcommittee of the Tournament Committee.

A Member must now be working a minimum term of 5 months of the calendar year to be eligible to participate in category I & II PGA of Alberta tournaments. An exception will be made for Members going through post-secondary education who can only work 4 months or less during the season.

All Members wishing to participate in tournaments are required to submit the PGA of Alberta Tournament Eligibility Form below prior to having their event registration accepted and confirmed. Upon submitting the form and indicating their place of employment and hours worked, the Member will be placed in one of three categories:

CATEGORY I: A Member working full-time (35+ hours/week for period of employment, minimum 5 months) at an Approved Golf Course* or at an Approved Teaching Centre* shall be eligible to register and compete in all tournaments that is permitted to their Membership category.

CATEGORY II: A Member working full-time (35+ hours/week for period of employment, minimum 5 months) in the Golf Industry including:

- 1) Equipment/Accessory/Apparel Representative
- 2) National/Provincial Association Representative
- 3) Other full time occupations as approved by the Eligibility Committee

Or at a Golf Facility that is not on the Approved Facility list shall be eligible to register and compete in the following tournaments: PGA of Alberta Championship, Senior Championship, Ladies' Championship, Team Match Play Championship, Golf Supply House Series, Pro-Pro Best Ball, Pro-Pro Scramble, Fall Championship

CATEGORY III: A Member not working full-time in the Golf Industry shall be eligible to register and compete in the following tournaments: Golf Supply House Series (eligible to register three weeks prior to event date ONLY if tournament is not at full capacity).

*An Approved Golf Course and Approved Teaching Centre will be defined as per the following:

Approved Golf Course - All golf courses with a minimum of 9 holes and a minimum of 2,500 yards employing a Class A Member or Candidate for Membership of the PGA of Canada and operating in the province of Alberta will be approved. All PGA of Canada Class A Members and Candidates for Membership working full time at the facility will be deemed to be working at an Approved PGA of Alberta Golf Course.

Approved Teaching Centre - All Outdoor Driving Ranges with a minimum of 30 yards in width and 200 yards in length featuring a minimum of 10 hitting stalls and operating in the province of Alberta shall be Approved Teaching Centres. All PGA of Canada Class A Members and Candidates for Membership working full-time at the facility will be deemed to be working at an Approved PGA of Alberta Teaching Centre.

All Indoor Teaching Centres with a minimum of 10 yards in width and 20 yards in length featuring a minimum of 3 hitting stalls and operating in the province of Alberta shall be Approved Teaching Centres. All PGA of Canada Class A Members and Candidates for Membership working full time at the facility will be deemed to be at an Approved PGA of Alberta Teaching Centre.

Exemptions - The PGA of Alberta Board of Directors has granted exemptions from the working requirements stated in the above Rules and Regulations to Members in the Retired and Life Categories of Membership, allowing them to compete in all events open to Category II Members.

PGA of Alberta Players' Agreement

By registering for a tournament, all competitors are agreeing to the following:

1. I have read and agree to the Tournament Rules and Regulations established in this manual and agree to abide by the Rules of the Tournament Committee.
2. I agree to abide by any amendments that are deemed necessary.
3. I agree to conduct myself both on and off the golf course in a way befitting the PGA of Canada and PGA of Alberta By-Laws and Rules and Regulations.
4. I agree to co-operate with the media upon a request for an interview.
5. I agree to abide by decisions of the Tournament Committee and will accept its decision as final.
6. I agree to abide by the conditions listed for each tournament that I may enter.
7. I agree that I will not share any part of the prize money that I may win in a Tournament with any other contestant. I will not enter any arrangement under which I could have a financial interest in any other player's prize money (such as through prize splitting or prize money "insurance").
8. I have read and understand the regulations outlined on the PGA of Alberta Tournament Eligibility Form.
9. I agree to that it is my responsibility to ensure my caddie, should I decide to bring one to an event, is aware of all etiquette in the game of golf as well as the Rules of Golf and all Local Rules & Regulations as they pertain to caddies and the use thereof.



All players entering PGA of Alberta sanctioned tournaments are eligible for Order of Merit Points.

Championship event winners will receive 40 points, 2nd place = 35, 3rd = 34...

Golf Supply House Series (1-day) winners will receive 20 points, 2nd place - 15, 3rd place - 14....

Golf Supply House Series (2-day) winners will receive 35 points, 2nd place - 30, 3rd place - 29....

Ladies' Championship winner will receive 20 points, 2nd = 15, 3rd = 14...

Team Event winners (Individual side) will receive 20 points, 2nd = 15, 3rd = 14...

*Order of Merit Points are not awarded at the Senior Championship or Team Match Play Championship.

Order of Merit winners will be the players with the most points accumulated during their best five rounds throughout the season. Ties will be broken by higher placements in additional events.

The PGA of Alberta Office will keep records of all points accumulated. Recognition will be given at the awards banquet to the top finisher in each of the following categories: Head Professional, Assistant Professional and top Female Professional. The Player of the Year will be separate from the Order of Merit. The choice will be made by a selection committee, upon review of scoring averages, money earnings, and competition levels. The award will be presented at the PGA of Alberta Awards Banquet.

2017 Order of Merit Winners

Head Professional: Tyler LeBouthillier, *Lynx Ridge GC*

Assistant Professional: Wes Heffernan, *Golf Canada Centre*

Female Professional: Kylie Barros, *Glendale G&CC*

2017 Player of the Year

Wes Heffernan *Golf Canada Centre*

Fall Championship

Defending Champion: Keith Whitecotton (The Quarry)

This two-day 36-hole competition is comprised of the top 30 money leaders from the Golf Supply House Series and the top 20 money leaders from the Association's **individual*** money leaders who have not otherwise qualified will receive an invitation to participate in the Fall Championship to be held at Royal Mayfair GC on September 10 & 11. The cut-off to qualify for the Fall Championship is August 27th.

**Individual events include all Golf Supply House Series, Championships and the stroke play component of team events.*

National Assistants' Championship Team

The winner of the PGA of Alberta Assistants' Championship will automatically be granted a spot on the Alberta Assistants' Team. The 3 remaining spots will be determined based on the overall Order of Merit points as of August 21, 2018.

Congratulations to our 2017 Team Members:

Adam Bruce (*Glendale G&CC*)

Craig Gibson (*Sirocco GC*)

Wes Heffernan (*Golf Canada Centre*)

David MacComb (*Blackhawk GC*)

National Club Professional Championship Team

The winner of the PGA of Alberta Club Professional Championship will automatically be granted a spot on the Alberta Club Pro Team. The 3 remaining spots will be determined based on the overall Order of Merit points as of September 11, 2018.

Congratulations to our 2017 Team Members:

Dallas Cantera (*Cardiff G&CC*)

Josh Fleming (*GolfTEC Calgary Beacon Heights*)

Tyler LeBouthillier (*Lynx Ridge GC*)

Craig McArthur (*Blackhawk GC*)

Golf Supply House

2018 Golf Supply House Series Entry Form



Please use this form to enter all **Golf Supply House (GSH) Series** Tournaments. The Golf Supply House Series will consist of 7 one-day and 2 two-day events taking place throughout the summer in Alberta. Category I and II Members according to the PGA of Alberta Tournament Eligibility are eligible to play in these events.

Category III Members will be eligible to participate in Golf Supply House Series events in 2018 if the tournament is not full three weeks prior to the event date. Please note the Category III registration open date on the tournament page on the website.

At the end of the season, the top 30 money leaders on the Golf Supply House Series will qualify for the 2018 Fall Championship (formerly the Tour Championship) in September (Category III members are ineligible to participate in the Fall Championship). Members are eligible to play in as many Golf Supply House Series events as they wish this season.

Tournament Fees include GST. Carts are optional and to be used at the discretion of the Player.

Order of Merit awarded (1-day): 20 Points, 2nd =15, 3rd =14....
Order of Merit awarded (2-day): 35 Points, 2nd =30, 3rd =29....
Golf Supply House Series' Purses based on full fields: \$10,000

Golf Supply House Series

Maximum field 80 per event
Entry fee \$150 per event (1-day)
Entry fee \$285 per event (2-day)

DATE	HOST	START TIME	PAYMENT PROCESSING	WITHDRAWALS	REGISTER ✓
May 7	Vulcan GC	9:00am	April 25	May 3	_____
May 14	Sirocco GC	8:00am	May 2	May 10	_____
May 29	Valley Ridge GC	8:00am	May 16	May 24	_____
June 4	River Spirit GC	8:00am	May 23	May 31	_____
June 12/13	Lynx Ridge GC	11:00am	May 30	June 7	_____
June 18	Jagare Ridge GC	9:00am	June 6	June 14	_____
July 3/4	Wolf Creek GR	1:00pm	June 20	June 28	_____
July 9	Stony Plain GC	8:30am	June 27	July 5	_____
August 27	Leduc GC	9:00am	August 15	August 23	_____

NAME _____ GOLF FACILITY _____

CREDIT CARD # _____ EXPIRY _____

SIGNATURE _____

RETURN ENTRY FORM TO: **PGA of Alberta**, 517 23 Avenue NW, Calgary, Alberta, T2M 1S7
Fax: (403) 256-8895 Toll Free Fax: (877) 259-8895

Members electing to pay by cheque may submit their entry by mail or fax, however they will not be registered into an event until their cheque has been received. As an alternative, Members who wish to pay by cheque may register online using a valid credit card number, and once a cheque has been received in the office the credit card number will be removed from the event.

PGA of Alberta 2018 Master Entry Form

TEAM EVENTS

All prices include GST

Team Match Play No venue	_____	\$315 / team	\$ _____
Tournament of Champions McKenzie Meadows GC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Pro Scramble Windermere G&CC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Lady South Redwood Meadows G&CC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Lady North Cardiff G&CC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Junior Blackhawk GC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Senior Highlands GC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Pro Best Ball Stewart Creek G&CC	_____	\$390 / team	\$ _____
Pro-Assistant Kananaskis Country GC	_____	\$480 / team	\$ _____

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Ladies'	Cottonwood G&CC	\$295 / person	\$ _____
PGA of Alberta	River Bend G&RA	\$295 / person	\$ _____
Senior	Cottonwood G&CC	\$295 / person	\$ _____
Assistants'	The Ranch G&CC	\$295 / person	\$ _____
Club Pro	Innisfail GC	\$295 / person	\$ _____

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