



ASSISTANT
PGA PROFESSIONAL
CHAMPIONSHIP

SECTION

2021 ENTRY INFORMATION

REFER TO THE SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP DATES, DEADLINE DATES, SITES & ENTRY FEES DOCUMENT FOR YOUR SECTION'S SPECIFIC INFORMATION

Every applicant (except exempt applicants) must go through a **two-stage process** as follows to compete in the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

1. Enter and compete in your National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. See "Section Championship Dates, Deadline Dates, Sites & Entry Fees" document for your Section's specific information.
2. A pre-determined number of top finishers from each Section, plus exempt players, will then advance to the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship to be played November 11-14, 2021, at PGA Golf Club in Port St. Lucie, Florida. An additional \$50 entry fee will be required to enter the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship and a separate eligibility deadline must also be met. For players advancing into the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship, entry information will be emailed beginning in early September or after your respective (qualifying) Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

All members/associates who wish to play in the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship must first enter their respective 2021 Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship (unless exemption status applies).

Provided all eligibility requirements are met, exemptions for the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship are as follows:

- Top four (4) finishers plus ties from the 2020 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship

Exempt players have the option, but are not required, to play in their Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship provided entries are made prior to the deadline and eligibility is met.

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility is limited to **Class A-8** PGA members and **Associates** who meet all the following criteria:

1. Must be eligibly employed and in good standing at the time of entry and on their Section's entry deadline date. The PGA of America membership records must reflect this status at time of entry and on the Section's entry deadline date (unless special exception criteria are met).
2. Must not have played in more than eight (8) combined Adams Pro Tour (APT), Asian Tour, Dakotas Tour, European Challenge Tour, European Senior Tour, European Tour, JPGA Senior Tour, JPGA Tour, Ladies European Tour (LET), Symetra Tour (LPGA), LPGA Tour, Mackenzie TOUR-Canada, PGA Australia Tours, PGA New Zealand Tours, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, PGA TOUR China, PGA TOUR LatinoAmerica, SwingThought Tour, The Safari Tour, The Sunshine Tour and Korn Ferry Tour tournaments during the twelve-month period prior to the respective Section's deadline. The U.S. Open, U.S. Senior Open, U.S. Women's Open, PGA Championship, KitchenAid Senior PGA Championship and KPMG Women's PGA Championship are not included in the 8-tournament count.

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PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., reserves the right to determine whether any player meets eligibility and to reject any player who does not meet these requirements.

A PGA member/associate will not be eligible to participate if:

- a) the member/associate is serving a suspension from membership;
- b) the member/associate is suspended from tournament participation for National tournaments; or
- c) the member/associate is classified as Class F, Reserve, A-3, Life Member Century (LMC), Retired Member (RM), or Honorary.

TO ENTER YOUR SECTION CHAMPIONSHIP

To enter your National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, each player may enter online at www.PGA.org or call **800.474.2776**. Entries will be accepted beginning March 24, 2021.

If you enter by telephone, please ask for a confirmation number or if you enter online, please print your confirmation. A confirmation will be emailed to the current address in your membership file.

Confirmation # _____

American Express, MasterCard or Visa will be accepted for payment. Please be prepared to provide the following information when entering.

1. PGA membership or associate number.
2. Name, city and state (as you wish it to appear on starting times, scoreboard, etc.)
3. Corporation information (if applicable). If prize money is to be paid to a corporation, you must provide the corporation's name and its federal identification number.
4. Number of "Professional Tours" played within the twelve-month period prior to the respective Section's deadline (players must not have played in more than eight (8) events total). The Tours being tracked are listed in the Eligibility portion of this entry information.

Section entry fee is \$30 (although Sections may set additional fees to add to the purse or to cover expenses related to playing in the Championship). See "Section Championship Dates, Deadline Dates, Sites & Entry Fees" for your Section's specific information.

SECTION INFORMATION

The PGA Board of Directors has determined that the allocation of the number of players advancing from each National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be based on the average number of eligible players over the last five (5) years (using actual number of eligible players starting their Championship).

All applicants must compete in the Section in which they are affiliated on their Section's entry deadline date unless they have transferred to a new Section.

Applicants who have transferred into a new Section AFTER their Section's entry deadline have the option of competing in their original Section or in their new Section, but not in **both**. To compete in their new Section, they must inform their new Section of their intention at least seven (7) days prior to that Section's event.

Applicants who have transferred into a new Section PRIOR to their (former) Section's entry deadline, and their new Section's Championship has already taken place, the former Section must make a "special exception" and allow them to compete, even if membership records do not reflect that they are a member in good standing (in that specific Section) on the date of the former Section's deadline.

A "no refund" policy is in effect. Please notify your Section directly if you need to withdraw after their deadline. After the entry deadline, no money will be refunded from PGA Headquarters and anyone requesting a refund after that time will be referred to their respective Section. A \$25 administration fee will be withheld for any withdrawal prior to the entry deadline. Any amount collected above \$30 can be refunded by the Section at their discretion.

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PRIZE MONEY

Each participating Section will receive \$2,000 to supplement their purse and an additional \$41,000 will be distributed by using a formula based on the average number of eligible players (using actual number of eligible players starting their Championship) over the last five (5) years.

METHOD OF PLAY

The National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship is a stroke play event with a minimum of 36 holes. In the event of a tie for the last advancing place or an alternate's place, there should be a play-off as determined by the Section.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

As a condition to participating in the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship which is scheduled to be played November 11-14, 2021, at PGA Golf Club, you agree to the following:

Entries must be received by the Section's entry deadline which is established and set forth in this entry information. There shall be no waivers of entry deadlines unless approved by the PGA of America in its sole discretion. This entry is subject to acceptance by PGA of America Corporation, Inc., and the player agrees that in the event of acceptance, it may be rejected or revoked at any time thereafter.

As playing in events is a privilege, any tournament entrant whose employment status is in question, must be declared eligible employed at the time of entry and as of their Section's entry deadline date to be eligible to participate. The Board of Control shall render decisions and have final adjudication on any appeal related to playing privileges. Competitors who are found to be ineligible employed subsequent to the start of the event (i.e., ineligible employment not adjudicated prior to the entry date of the event), shall be declared ineligible to advance to any further Championship or event, if applicable, and any prize money earned in the event shall be retained by the Section until the final determination of employment status is rendered.

A player's participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship is subject to the terms herein, all Rules, Regulations, provisions of the Constitution and By-Laws of The PGA of America and other conditions applicable to the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, as well as to the terms and conditions of the agreement between PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., or with agreements made with other parties with respect to same, inclusive of, but not limited to, anti-doping policies. In addition, the following conditions apply.

A player unconditionally and irrevocably grants and assigns to the PGA of America, without limitation, the right to use their name, image, voice and likeness in television, radio, motion picture, photographic, internet, social media, electronic and all other media, whether now in existence or hereafter created, in connection with their participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship and/or other events conducted in conjunction/connection with the Championship. For the avoidance of doubt, this grant of rights shall authorize The PGA of America, any of its affiliates, subsidiaries, and assigns, to make any and all use of the player's name, image, voice and likeness in connection with: (1) advertising, promoting or publicizing the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, any television or electronic broadcasts or radio broadcasts of the Championship, any subsequent Championships, The PGA of America, PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions, or any events sponsored or cosponsored by The PGA of America and the game of golf in general and/or the players; (2) live or recorded telecasts, television programs, radio broadcasts, internet broadcasts, or other electronic transmissions or programming during golf tournaments; (3) broadcasts or exhibitions on a recorded basis as part of a program, motion picture, electronic transmission programming or video recording of the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, or year-end summaries of sports award programs or any news or sports news programs; provided that in no case shall the rights granted herein be used in any program, motion picture or video recording designed for instructional purposes with the express consent of the player(s) involved; (4) live or taped non-exclusive updates in any form of media; and (5) commemorative coins, official lithographs, commemorative yearbooks, portraits, paintings, posters, or other materials commemorating a player; participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. A player agrees to refrain from any action which will interfere with the orderly recording, production, reproduction, publication and dissemination of

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such recordings, transmissions, films, tapes, pictures, photographs, or images. A player acknowledges and agrees it is their intent to provide the rights outlined herein and to intentionally forego any rights to review and/or approve any recording or transmission.

In the event, a player or any person or entity with a player, record and/or otherwise capture, via any device and/or manually, whether at the site of the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship or remotely, any data, content, images, video or statistics, in any form, related to and/or resulting from a player's participation in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship ("player data") the player hereby agrees to not use such player data for any commercial purpose, as such is defined by The PGA of America, without first obtaining the approval of The PGA of America, such approval at The PGA of America's sole discretion.

A player will not share any part of the prize money they may win in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship with any other player.

A player may not bet or wager on any aspect of the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship (or engage in any other gambling activities on the premises of the Championship), nor may they provide any information concerning any player and/or the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to a party that the player knows, or has reason to believe, will use or is likely to use the information in connection with gambling on the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship. The player shall promptly notify the PGA of America if they are approached by a third party requesting or providing information that the player knows, or has reason to believe, will be used in connection with gambling on the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

A player assumes all risk and danger incidental to participation in the event (both to the player and to third parties as a consequence of a player's actions) and releases The PGA of America, PGA Tournament Corporation, Inc., their affiliates, subsidiaries, officers, directors, employees, members, sponsors and the host site from all liabilities from such cause.

It is also understood that a player's participation in the National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship is subject to pre-qualifying unless the player is among those who are exempt from pre-qualifying.

Except where otherwise noted, time of entry deadline shall mean 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

POLICIES

Entry fees must be received by the entry deadlines, which are established and set forth herein.

There shall be no waivers of entry deadlines unless approved by the PGA Officers acting in the best interest of the game of golf, sponsors, hosts/sites, the public and/or the players.

There will be no entry refunds after the closing date for entries.

Although potentially competing from separate tees, men and women professionals shall compete for the same purse. For example, the man or woman professional with the lowest score shall win first place money.

The condition of competition regarding grooves and punch marks is in effect for ALL stages of the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

The conditions governing play and the purse distribution will be determined by the PGA of America and distributed by the appropriate PGA Section. The National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be subject to the overall supervision of the Section.

Proper golfing attire must always be worn during play. The Tournament Director may prohibit play by those who do not conform to dress standards of the Section.

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Any player who shall be deemed guilty of conduct unbecoming a Golf Professional while participating in the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship or activities related thereto (i.e., practice rounds, hospitality events, etc.), or who otherwise is deemed to violate the Code of Ethics of the PGA shall be subject to fine and/or suspension from tournament play.

The Section Tournament Director shall be authorized to impose penalties consisting of a fine of \$100 for the first offense, a fine of \$150 for the second offense, and suspension from tournament play for the third offense for any of the following violations:

- Club throwing/club breaking
- Damage to course equipment or property
- Abuse, oral (profanity) or otherwise directed at rules officials, other competitors, spectators, sponsors, championship staff, volunteers, or others
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages and/or marijuana use (unless pre-approved as treatment for a medical condition) during practice rounds and/or championship rounds
- Any other conduct deemed to be unbecoming a PGA Golf Professional

In the event of a tie for first place, and/or for an alternate position, at the end of the Championship, there will be a play-off as determined by the Section Tournament Committee.

Only exempt players and players qualifying through their National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship will be allowed to enter the National Championship.

PLAYING ABILITY TEST (PAT)

Certain Sections allow their National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship to be used as a PAT. Associates who wish to use their National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship as a PAT must first enter their National Car Rental Section PGA Assistant Championship, then choose the PAT item and register for the PAT separately. (Note: Associates must register for the National Car Rental Section Assistant PGA Professional Championship, **may not register for the PAT only**, and must meet the registration deadline).

ADDITIONAL PLAYING OPPORTUNITIES

It is anticipated that the following additional playing opportunities may be available to those who play well in the Championship, however these benefits may be subject to change at any time.

The 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional CHAMPION will be exempted into the 2022 PGA Professional Championship, provided they are an A-8 as of the FINAL ROUND of the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional Championship and all eligibility requirements are met and maintained.

Top 4 finishers plus ties in the 2021 National Car Rental Assistant PGA Professional CHAMPION will be exempted into the 2022 Assistant PGA Professional Championship, provided all eligibility requirements are met and maintained.

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