

March 2025

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PGA TOUR Champions Player Newsletter



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## Significant Regulation Updates for 2025

### PGA TOUR Champions

**Please note: these changes are highlighted in the 2025 PGA TOUR Champions Handbook - the full 2025 Handbook can be found on PGA TOUR LINKS under the RULES & REGULATIONS tab.**

- Major Medical Exemption - Language has been cleared up to simplify and explain the Major Medical Exemption process and exemptions. This category has been added as exempt into Regions Tradition and Kaulig Companies Championship. Details on page 16, 68, 71 of Handbook.
- Golf Cart Policy - Please refer to page 83 of Handbook for full details
- The PGA TOUR Champions event in Boca Raton, FL is a Pro/NFL Player event. Professional eligibility is standard eligibility. Friday and Saturday will consist of 26 groups (playing in foursomes. 13 groups will have 2 Pros and 2 NFL players. 13 groups will be all Pros). The format with the Pro Football Hall of Fame participants will be a two man (1 PGA TOUR Champions Professional and 1 NFL player) best ball competition. The NFL player will stay with his Professional for the first and second round. Sunday will be Professionals only.
- Insuperity Invitational - Top 36 Prior Year Points are now eligible. Medalist from Qualifying Tournament has been removed. The alternate list will alternate between players from PGA TOUR Champions Previous Year's Charles Schwab Cup Points List to a floor of 54 and players from the All-Time Money List to a floor of 100. Details on page 67.
- American Family Insurance Championship - TPC Wisconsin will host a Team Event. Two Pro Am Days (Wednesday and Thursday); Official competition days (54-hole competition): Friday (Team Best Ball), Saturday (Team Scramble); Sunday (Team Best Ball), Playoff (Best Ball). 38 teams will compete. 2 players per team. Eligibility explains the list of players eligible to pick a partner and those who are eligible to be picked. Full details on page 70.

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**FULL Details for the tournament are located on PGA TOUR LINKS.**

### Key Information

#### Tournament Office

**Scott Easton**, Executive Director

Phone: 949-887-9648

Email: [Seaston@HoagClassic.com](mailto:Seaston@HoagClassic.com)

**PLEASE NOTE:** There is a 1:00pm shotgun on the tournament course on Monday. Course will be closed 1:00pm-6:00pm

#### Local Finish Time

Sunday 4:00pm

March 17 - 23, 2025

#### HOAG CLASSIC

#### NEWPORT BEACH COUNTRY CLUB

NEWPORT BEACH, CA

#### Transportation

For 2025, the Hoag Classic will provide a complimentary courtesy car from John Wayne Airport of LAX with a booking link through National or Enterprise to all tournament participants. This program will allow you to rent a complimentary vehicle of your choosing at any of our local airports using the link provided on PGA TOUR LINKS.

The tournament will cover the cost of a rental vehicle for up to seven days, as long as the vehicle is within the full-size category, including taxes and fees. Any additional charges, such as extra days, optional add-ons, or vehicle upgrades, will be your responsibility.



**FULL Details for the tournament are located on PGA TOUR LINKS.**

### Key Information

#### Tournament Office

**Michelle DeLancy**, Tournament Director

Phone: 206-719-0899

Email: [Michelle@TheGalleriClassic.com](mailto:Michelle@TheGalleriClassic.com)

#### Local Finish Time

Sunday 3:00pm

March 24 - 30, 2025

#### THE GALLERI CLASSIC

#### MISSION HILLS COUNTRY CLUB

Rancho Mirage, CA

#### Transportation

The tournament will provide each player a \$500 visa gift card to help subsidize your rental car for the week. Cards will be provided at player registration.

#### Planned Activities

Barbers from Presidential Cuts Rancho Mirage will provide complimentary haircuts to PGA TOUR Champions players competing in the Galleri Classic and their caddies on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of tournament week in the player locker room of Mission Hills Country Club. Appointments are available from 10:00am - 2:00pm and will take approximately 30 minutes. Please sign up for a time for a hair cut through [this link](#).

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### Key Information

#### Tournament Office

**Steve Marino**, Tournament Director

Phone: 203-451-4223

Email: [smarino@prolinkssports.com](mailto:smarino@prolinkssports.com)

#### Local Finish Time

Sunday 4:30pm

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March 31 - April 6, 2025

**JAMES HARDIE PRO FOOTBALL HALL OF FAME INVITATIONAL**

**THE OLD COURSE AT BROKEN SOUND CLUB**

BOCA RATON, FL

#### Transportation

All PGA TOUR Champions Professionals in our tournament field will receive a complimentary courtesy car.

#### Automobile Distribution:

In addition to courtesy cars, transportation will be available during tournament week. To make transportation reservations, please reach out to the tournament's transportation chairman, Andreas Kraemer via phone at (703) 395-5856 or by email at [Transportation@golf-volunteers.com](mailto:Transportation@golf-volunteers.com)

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## PGA TOUR x Delta

### The Official Global Airline of the PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR Champions

At 8 a.m. this morning, the PGA TOUR will announce a multi-year partnership designating Delta as the Official Global Airline of the PGA TOUR and PGA TOUR Champions. As part of this exciting new partnership, Delta Air Lines is extending Silver Medallion Status to subsidy-eligible players with a SkyMiles account on the PGA TOUR, PGA TOUR Champions and Korn Ferry Tour for the remainder of 2025.

Eligible players should have received an email this morning from Player Partnerships with more details and an opportunity to enroll in this benefit.

In addition to Silver Medallion Status, all members who book Delta flights through PGA TOUR Travel will receive priority boarding, preferred seating, priority Medallion upgrades and flight discounts. The discount is applied at the time of ticketing and will vary based on booking class and destination. The TOUR Travel team will apply this discount to all reservations for players, families, caddies and player support.

This exciting update is part of a recent string of renewals and new relationships representing more than \$400M in commercial sponsorships since December. It is important we showcase and celebrate that lasting success to our fans and media as we begin a fantastic week here at TPC Sawgrass.

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### Hoag Classic

#### 2025 Agronomy Report

Golf Course Superintendent: Scot Dey | PGA TOUR Agronomist: Thomas Bastis

Newport Beach Country Club is well-positioned for the upcoming Hoag Classic. The *Poa annua* greens are healthy and dense, providing top-tier tournament conditioning. After a very dry year, the non-overseeded kikuyugrass tees, fairways, and rough are in good form with firm conditioning. Spring rains should bring renewed vigor to the course with no significant changes occurring from the previous year, aside from approximately 40 new trees planted throughout the property.

#### Quick Facts:

The target greenspeed will be 12'.

The tees, fairways, and approaches will be mowed at 0.400".

There is no intermediate cut, and the primary rough will be maintained at 1.5 - 2.0".

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### The Galleri Classic

#### 2025 Agronomy Report

Directory of Agronomy: Jonas Conlan | Golf Course Superintendent: Matt Balesteri

PGA TOUR Agronomist: Alex Stuedemann, CGCS

The Dinah Shore Tournament Course at Mission Hills is expected to provide similar conditions to prior years with strong overseeded turf comprising the playing surfaces. The *Poa trivialis*/creeping bentgrass putting greens are densely covered with true, firm conditions expected in the arid desert climate. The remaining perennial ryegrass overseeded closely mown areas are being meticulously groomed to present similar conditions to past events. Cooler weather and the ongoing challenges of avian feeding will determine the overall density and final primary rough height. No changes have been made since the 2024 tournament.

#### Quick Facts:

The greenspeed will be in the range of 12 – 12.5'.

The tees and approaches will be mowed at 0.300 - 0.325".

The fairways will be mowed at 0.375 - 0.400" to match the field height of the approaches.

The intermediate rough will be mowed at 0.75", and the primary rough will be maintained between 2.25 - 2.5".

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Important Information



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## James Hardie Pro Football Hall of Fame Invitational

### 2025 Agronomy Report

Golf Course Superintendent: Kyle Asbury | PGA TOUR Agronomist: Bland Cooper

The Old Course at Broken Sound has survived a very cold South Florida winter and is in relatively good condition leading into the event. The TifEagle bermudagrass putting greens are healthy and possess a desirable stand of turf. Although many of the isolated, settled imperfections that were present during the 2023 event are still noticeable, they are somewhat improved due to the staff's efforts to smooth them over the past year. To correct this issue, surfaces will be stripped, leveled, and re-grassed following this year's event. The remaining bermudagrass closely mown area possesses adequate coverage, albeit in the form of two distinct varieties of bermudagrass. Steps are being taken to promote a surface that is as consistent as possible given these circumstances. The primary rough will provide virtually no penalty, as the colder, shorter days of winter coupled with excessive cart traffic keep this feature suppressed this time of year. Still, contestants should expect adequate definition between all closely mown areas and rough.

#### Quick Facts:

The target greenspeed will be in the 11.5' range.

The tees, fairways, and approaches will be mowed at 0.400".

The intermediate rough will be mowed at 1", and the primary rough will be maintained at 1.75".

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## 2025 Event Qualifying

### Event Qualifying Schedule Available in the Link Below

<https://qualifying.pgatourhq.com>

Following is scheduling and site information for the 2025 PGA TOUR Champions Event Qualifying.

#### Special Notes:

Registration is through the host PGA Section website. Any questions, please contact Tyler Vanover.

Phone: 904-273-7642 | Email: [tylervanover@pgatourhq.com](mailto:tylervanover@pgatourhq.com)

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## Schwab Cup Standings

### 2025 Season

The link below will provide access to most recent Charles Schwab Cup Standings.

LINK - [2025 Final Charles Schwab Cup Rankings](#)

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