



# PGA TOUR STRUCTURAL CHANGES PART TWO

## ELIGIBILITY CHANGES FOR 2024

In 2024, the PGA TOUR will return to a calendar-year schedule, with the race for the FedExCup contested from January through August, culminating with the FedExCup Playoffs and the crowning of the FedExCup Champion.

To set up the 2024 PGA TOUR season, the 2022-23 season began with the fall events in 2022 and continues through the FedExCup Playoffs played in August 2023, with eligibility for the 2024 season finalized through the 2023 FedExCup Fall.

**FedExCup Regular Season:** Contested from January to August, the FedExCup Regular Season will feature 36 official FedExCup events, including THE PLAYERS Championship, Major Championships, Signature Events, Full-Field Events and Additional Events.

**FedExCup points:** The FedExCup points distribution will be adjusted in 2024, with allocation of additional points to THE PLAYERS, Majors and Signature Events. The new system will maintain the value of Full-Field Events, further incentivize top performers to participate in Signature Events and add more weight to the points distributed to the top 10 finishers in the strongest fields. There will be a total of 15 events that award 700 or more FedExCup points to the winner: THE PLAYERS Championship and Majors (5), FedExCup Playoffs events (2) and Signature Events (8).

- 750 points to winners of THE PLAYERS Championship and Majors (previously 600)
- 700 points to winners of Signature Events (previously 500 or 550)
- 500 points to winners of Full-Field Events
- 300 points to winners of Additional Events
- 2,000 points to winners of the first two FedExCup Playoffs events (no points awarded at TOUR Championship)

**FedExCup Playoffs:** At the conclusion of the Regular Season, the top 70 players in the FedExCup standings are eligible to play in the FedExCup Playoffs, a series of three events throughout the month of August. The FedExCup Playoffs feature a progressive cut, with revised qualification criteria implemented in 2023.

### Qualifications in 2023 and beyond from the FedExCup Points List:

- Top 70 at the FedEx St. Jude Championship (previously 125)
- Top 50 at the BMW Championship (previously 70)
- Top 30 at the TOUR Championship

**FedExCup Fall:** The FedExCup Fall features seven tournaments to finalize the top 125 and additional playing opportunities for the 2024 FedExCup Season. All players ranked No. 51 and beyond carried their FedExCup points from the Regular Season and first Playoffs event (FedEx St. Jude Championship) and continue to accumulate FedExCup points through the FedExCup Fall to finalize eligibility for the 2024 season.

### Eligibility benefits by FedExCup finish

FedExCup rank	Full-Field Events	Signature Events	THE PLAYERS	Majors
1-30 thru Playoffs	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt
31-50 thru Playoffs	Exempt	Exempt	Exempt	
51-70 thru Playoffs	Exempt		Exempt	
71-125 thru the FedExCup Fall	Exempt		Exempt	

### Notes

- Nos. 1-50 through the FedExCup Playoffs are locked into their positions
- Nos. 126-150 through the FedExCup Fall earn conditional status for the 2024 season
- Some players finishing outside the top 125 through the FedExCup Fall are eligible for all Full-Field Events in 2024 through multi-year exemptions
- The top 40 available players outside the top 125 through the FedExCup Fall will be exempt for Final Stage of Q-School

**Pathways to the PGA TOUR:** Additional PGA TOUR cards for the 2024 PGA TOUR season will be awarded to:

- The top 10 performers, not otherwise exempt, from the final 2023 Race to Dubai Points List (concludes in November)
  - A ranking of eligible players is available on PGATOUR.COM ([www.pgatour.com/dp-world-tour-eligibility-rankings](http://www.pgatour.com/dp-world-tour-eligibility-rankings))
  - Players that earn PGA TOUR cards via the DP World Tour have until December 1, 2023 to accept membership; if any of the 10 players turns down PGA TOUR membership or is ineligible for such membership, the next highest-ranked player not otherwise exempt would become eligible
  - If a DP World Tour member earns his PGA TOUR card via non-member FedExCup points thru The RSM Classic, he would then be considered otherwise exempt and the next highest-ranked player not otherwise exempt would become eligible
- The top 30 players at the end of the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour season (concludes in October)
- The top five players and ties from PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry (concludes in December)

*Note: Q-School will continue to award eligibility for the Korn Ferry Tour*



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## SIGNATURE EVENTS ELIGIBILITY

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The schedule distributes Signature Events and Full-Field Events to minimize isolated weeks while allowing top performers the flexibility to participate in both Signature and Full-Field Events. Full-Field Events are more consequential than ever before as they provide an opportunity for the segment of the membership not otherwise exempt for Signature Events, to play their way into Signature Events.

For 2024, there are eight Signature Events with limited field sizes.

- The Sentry
- AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am
- The Genesis Invitational
- Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard
- RBC Heritage
- Wells Fargo Championship
- the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday
- Travelers Championship

There will not be a mandatory participation regulation, as the focus of Signature Events turns to increased purse sizes (\$20 million) and FedExCup points distribution (700 points). Signature Events will not have a cut, except for the three player-hosted invitationals (The Genesis Invitational, Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard and the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday) which will have 36-hole cuts (low 50 players and ties and any additional players within 10 strokes of the 36-hole lead). In addition, the three player-hosted invitationals will also feature a redistribution of prize money that allocates 20 percent to the winner (\$4 million), up from 18 percent.

### SIGNATURE EVENTS ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility criteria for the The Sentry will include the top 50 players from the previous season's FedExCup standings through the FedExCup Playoffs (BMW Championship) and tournament winners from the prior year, including Additional Events and the FedExCup Fall.

Eligibility for the remaining seven Signature Events will reward top performers from the previous season, the current season and the swings leading up to each Signature Event. Fields for the Signature Events (outside of The Sentry) are expected to be approximately 70-80 players\*, with eligibility categories including:

- Top 50 in the previous season's FedExCup standings (BMW Championship qualifiers)
- Top 10 available and not otherwise exempt from current FedExCup standings (The Next 10)
- Top five available and not otherwise exempt FedExCup points earners from the swings leading up to each Signature Event (The Swing 5)
- If not exempt from the three categories above: current-year tournament winners and PGA TOUR members in the top 30 of the Official World Golf Ranking
- Four sponsor exemptions (PGA TOUR members)
- The three player-hosted invitationals will each have one tournament host exemption, which is not restricted to PGA TOUR members.

\*Field size for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am is 80 players.

### ADJUSTED CATEGORIES FOR 2024



### SIGNATURE EVENT ELIGIBILITY

<b>50</b>	• Top 50 Prior Year FedExCup through Playoffs
<b>10</b>	• Top 10 available and not otherwise exempt on Current Year FedExCup • Prior Year Fall FedExCup List through West Coast
<b>5</b>	• Top 5 available and not otherwise exempt FedExCup Points earners through "swing" of Full-Field Events
<b>Winners</b>	• Current year tournament winners (full FedExCup Points events)
	• Top 30 OWGR (PGA TOUR Members)
	• Four Sponsor Exemptions (PGA TOUR Members)



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2024 Signature Event Qualification Calendar				
Date	Tournament	The Next 10 (FedExCup)	The Swing 5	OWGR
Jan 1-7	<b>The Sentry</b>	<i>Top 50 players from the previous season's FedExCup standings through the FedExCup Playoffs (BMW Championship) and tournament winners from the prior year, including Additional Events and the FedExCup Fall</i>		
Jan 8-14	Sony Open in Hawaii			
Jan 15-21	The American Express			
Jan 22-27	Farmers Insurance Open			
Jan 29-Feb 4	<b>AT&amp;T Pebble Beach Pro-Am</b>	Top 10 thru 2023 FedExCup Fall (fill the field below 10th)	Sony Open in Hawaii The American Express Farmers Insurance Open	Ranking as of Monday, Jan 29 (thru Farmers Insurance Open)
Feb 5-11	WM Phoenix Open			
Feb 12-18	<b>The Genesis Invitational</b>	Top 10 thru 2023 FedExCup Fall	Sony Open in Hawaii The American Express Farmers Insurance Open WM Phoenix Open	Ranking as of Monday, Feb 12 (thru WM Phoenix Open)
Feb 19-25	Mexico Open at Vidanta			
Feb 26-Mar 3	The Classic in The Palm Beaches			
Mar 4-10	<b>Arnold Palmer Invitational pb by Mastercard</b>	Top 10 thru The Classic in The Palm Beaches	Mexico Open at Vidanta The Classic in The Palm Beaches	Ranking as of Monday, Mar 4 (thru The Classic in The Palm Beaches)
Mar 4-10	Puerto Rico Open			
Mar 11-17	<b>THE PLAYERS Championship</b>			
Mar 18-24	Valspar Championship			
Mar 25-31	Texas Children's Houston Open			
April 1-7	Valero Texas Open			
April 8-14	<b>Masters Tournament</b>			
April 15-21	<b>RBC Heritage</b>	Top 10 thru Masters Tournament	Puerto Rico Open Valspar Championship Texas Children's Houston Open Valero Texas Open	Ranking as of Monday, April 15 (thru Masters Tournament)
April 15-21	Corales Puntacana Championship			
April 22-28	Zurich Classic of New Orleans			
April 29-May 5	THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson			
May 6-12	<b>Wells Fargo Championship</b>	Top 10 thru THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	Corales Puntacana Championship Zurich Classic of New Orleans THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	Ranking as of Monday, May 6 (thru THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson)
May 6-12	Myrtle Beach Classic			
May 13-19	PGA Championship			
May 20-26	Charles Schwab Challenge			
May 27-Jun 2	RBC Canadian Open			
Jun 3-9	<b>the Memorial Tournament pb by Workday</b>	Top 10 thru RBC Canadian Open	Myrtle Beach Classic Charles Schwab Challenge RBC Canadian Open	Ranking as of Monday, June 3 (thru RBC Canadian Open)
Jun 10-16	U.S. Open			
Jun 17-23	<b>Travelers Championship</b>	Top 10 thru U.S. Open	Myrtle Beach Classic Charles Schwab Challenge RBC Canadian Open	Ranking as of Monday, June 17 (thru U.S. Open)



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **Which tournaments are Signature Events in 2024?**

The Signature Events in 2024 are (chronologically): The Sentry, AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, The Genesis Invitational, Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, RBC Heritage, Wells Fargo Championship, the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday and the Travelers Championship.

### **Will Signature Events have a cut?**

The three player-hosted invitationals (The Genesis Invitational, Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard and the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday) will feature a 36-hole cut to the top 50 and ties and any player within 10 shots of the lead, and a redistribution of prize money that allocates 20 percent to the winner (\$4 million), up from 18 percent. The other five Signature Events will not have a cut.

### **Who is eligible to compete in the FedExCup Fall?**

Eligibility for the FedExCup Fall is the same as the FedExCup Regular Season. All players from the Priority Ranking are eligible to compete.

### **Can a player who finishes in the top 50 in the FedExCup through the TOUR Championship, compete in the FedExCup fall?**

Players in the top 50 can participate in the FedExCup Fall and receive performance benefits including prize money, Official World Golf Ranking points and winner's exemptions. With the top 50 having already secured their position for the 2024 season, including entry into Signature Events, the FedExCup points they earn during the FedExCup Fall will not accumulate on the FedExCup Fall standings.

### **What happens if a player finishes 70th in the FedExCup standings through the TOUR Championship and does not want to play in the fall?**

Should players 51-70 through the Playoffs choose not to play in the FedExCup Fall, their position on the FedExCup Fall Points List will drop, but their status into Full-Field Events in 2024 is already locked by finishing top 70 in the FedExCup through the FedExCup Playoffs. As a reminder, Nos. 51-60 in the FedExCup Fall Points List will qualify for the first two Signature Events after the The Sentry (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational).

### **What do winners of FedExCup Fall events receive?**

Winners of FedExCup Fall events will receive 500 FedExCup Points, Official World Golf Ranking points and a two-year winner's exemption. Winners will also be eligible for the The Sentry, THE PLAYERS Championship, the Masters Tournament and PGA Championship.

### **What if a player finishes outside of the top 125 after the 2023 FedExCup Fall?**

Those players finishing 126-150 on the final FedExCup Fall standings will have conditional status for the 2024 PGA TOUR Season.

### **What is the ordering of the Korn Ferry Tour, DP World Tour and Q-School cards and when do those categories reshuffle?**

The Player Advisory Council will be discussing card ordering and reshuffles and updates will be provided when available.

### **If a player finishes outside of the top 125, will he be exempt to Final Stage of PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry?**

The top 40 available players below No. 125 on the FedExCup standings, to

a floor of 200th position, will be exempt into the Final Stage of PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry. All other PGA TOUR members will be exempt into Second Stage.

### **When do the top 30 players from the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour begin play on the PGA TOUR?**

With eligibility moving to a calendar year, the 2023 Korn Ferry Tour graduates will begin play on the PGA TOUR in January 2024 and play through the end of the calendar year. The first tournament they will be eligible for is the Sony Open in Hawaii.

### **When will the FedExCup Bonus Distributions be paid and who is eligible?**

FedExCup bonus distributions will be paid following the conclusion of the FedExCup (through the TOUR Championship). Players within the top 150 of the FedExCup standings will be eligible for a bonus distribution. The total amount of the FedExCup Bonus Program and the breakdown will be available in the coming months.

### **Will there be restrictions on Signature Event sponsor exemptions?**

Sponsor exemptions for Signature Events will be limited to PGA TOUR members. Specific criteria will be discussed with the Player Advisory Council and Policy Board, but the intent will be to ensure those exemptions capture quality players who will have an impact on that week's event, such as the defending champion of the event, tournament winners, etc. In addition to sponsor exemptions, the three player-hosted invitationals will each have one tournament host exemption, which is not restricted to PGA TOUR members: The Genesis Invitational (Charlie Sifford Memorial Exemption), Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard (Arnold Palmer Cup Exemption) and the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday (Jack Nicklaus Award for NCAA Division I National Player of the Year)

### **Do winners of Full-Field Events have guaranteed eligibility into Signature Events for a full calendar year?**

Tournament winners of Full-Field Events are only guaranteed into the remaining Signature Events taking place in that year. For example, if a player wins the first Full-Field Event of the year, then he is exempt into the remaining Signature Events that year (and the The Sentry to start the next season). If a player wins the last event of the year, he would be eligible for the The Sentry the following year, but he would have to play his way into the other Signature Events.

*NOTE: The tournament winners' category is only for players who are not exempt via top 50, The Next 10 and/or The Swing 5 categories. It is meant as a catch-all for players who do not qualify via one of the other categories.*

### **Do winners of Additional Events qualify for the remaining Signature Events that year?**

While winning an Additional Event does not guarantee a player access into the next Signature Event, 300 FedExCup points will position the winner well for the Top Five Swing category. In addition, winners of Additional Events qualify for the The Sentry and THE PLAYERS Championship.

### **Additional Event**

#### **FedExCup**

FedExCup is one word with uppercase F, E and C.



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## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (CONTINUED)

### **What is The Next 10?**

The Next 10 is one of the qualifying criteria for the Signature Events (outside of the The Sentry), recognizing the top 10 players, not otherwise exempt, from the FedExCup standings. For the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am and The Genesis Invitational, The Next 10 comes from the prior year FedExCup standings through the FedExCup Fall (Nos. 51-60). For each Signature Event after that, the top 10 players from the current FedExCup Points List, not otherwise exempt through the week prior, will be eligible. This category will always fill to 10 players.

### **What is The Swing 5?**

The Swing 5 is one of the qualifying criteria for the Signature Events (outside of the The Sentry). Each set of Full-Field and Additional Events between Signature Events will count as a swing. The top five players, not otherwise exempt, earning the most FedExCup points through each swing leading up to each Signature Event will qualify. Points earned in Signature Events and Majors do not count toward the swing category. This category will always fill to five players.

### **When are the "play-in" categories set?**

The Next 10, The Swing 5 and the top 30 from the Official World Golf Ranking restricted to PGA TOUR members will be set following the tournament immediately preceding the Signature Event (Monday of tournament week).

### **Are Special Temporary Members eligible for Signature events?**

Any non-members who subsequently earn Special Temporary Membership during the 2024 season will not be eligible for Signature Events via The Next 10 and The Swing 5 as they are not in the official FedExCup standings, but rather earn non-member FedExCup points. However, Special Temporary Members can access Signature Events if they are in the Top 30 in the Official World Golf Ranking (as of Monday of the Signature Event). They can also accept sponsor exemptions if they are inside the top 50 in the Official World Golf Ranking or if their current non-member FedExCup point total is equal or better to No. 125 in the current FedExCup standings.

### **Does the Race to Dubai list provide any access to Signature Events the following season?**

The top player on the DP World Tour's 2023 Race to Dubai list among players that did qualify for the 2023 BMW Championship on the PGA TOUR will qualify for two signature events in 2024 (AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am, The Genesis Invitational). Please note that because this is only players that did not make it to the BMW Championship (not the same as "not otherwise exempt"), this could be a different player than the No. 1 player on the DP World Tour Eligibility Ranking.



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## STYLE GUIDE

### **FedExCup Fall**

#### **FedExCup Fall points list or FedExCup Fall standings**

#### **FedExCup Playoffs**

FedExCup Playoffs is a proper noun. It is always plural and it is never possessive.

Thomas won the second event in the FedExCup Playoffs.

Thomas won the second FedExCup Playoffs event.

Thomas won all three FedExCup Playoffs tournaments.

#### **FedExCup Regular Season**

The first event of the season through the Wyndham Championship is the FedExCup Regular Season. When referring to the Regular Season and FedExCup Playoffs together, it is the 2024 PGA TOUR Season.

#### **FedExCup Season**

Proper noun: 2024 FedExCup Season

Common nouns: 2024 season, PGA TOUR season

#### **FedExCup Starting Strokes**

FedExCup Starting Strokes is a proper noun and must include the FedExCup prefix.

#### **Full-Field Event**

#### **Major Championships**

Majors on second reference

#### **PGA TOUR Q-School presented by Korn Ferry**

Q-School on second reference

#### **sponsor exemption**

Not sponsor's exemption or sponsors exemption

#### **Signature Event**

Formely known as Designated Events

#### **The Next 10**

#### **The Swing 5**