

Eligibility Requirements

2012 Nationwide Tour Eligibility Requirements

1. Tournament Winners

Winners of Nationwide Tour co-sponsored events in the last calendar year or during the current year:

James Nitties

Brett Wetterich

Steve Friesen

Kirk Triplett

Russell Henley

2. Past Champions of Current Week's Event

3. Top Finishers from Previous Year

If not otherwise exempt, players finishing 26rd to 60th on the final official Nationwide Tour money list from the previous year.

Bubba Dickerson

Casey Wittenberg

B. J. Staten

Alistair Presnell

Aaron Goldberg

Ryan Armour

Andrew Svoboda

Roger Tambellini

Justin Bolli

Craig Bowden

John Kimbell

Travis Hampshire

4. Number of Finishers Nearest 50 from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament

The next number of finishers, nearest 50, in order of finish from the immediately previous PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.

Erik Flores

Jim Herman

Derek Fathauer

Kent Jones

Scott Parel

Tag Ridings

Ryan Yip

Hudson Swafford

Steve LeBrun

Mathias Gronberg

Brad Fritsch

Brian Anderson

Lee Janzen

Brad Adamonis

Reid Edstrom

Chris Wilson

Boo Weekley

Mike Lavery

D.J. Brigman
James Sacheck
Stuart Anderson
Shawn Stefani
Ron Whittaker
Paul Haley
Omar Uresti
Jim Renner
Nicholas Thompson
Jeff Cuzzort
Corey Nagy
Oscar Serna
Jason Allred
Dicky Pride
Anthony Rodriguez
Philip Pettitt
Tim Wilkinson
Lee Williams
David Duval
Alex Aragon
Ben Briscoe
Chris Tidland
Justin Hicks

The above players are subject to the second reshuffle (not the first one).

5. Former Fully-Exempt PGA TOUR Members

Will MacKenzie
Brett Quigley
Woody Austin

6. PGA TOUR Members 48-49 Years Old

7. PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament

8. Open Qualifying

Fourteen (14) low scores from Open Qualifying.

9. Host PGA Selections

Three (3) members of the PGA Section in which the event is held, selected on a competitive basis by such host PGA Section.

10. Sponsor Exemptions

On invitation of the tournament sponsor, a maximum of four (4) players, including amateurs with USGA handicaps of zero (0) or less.

11. Top 25 from Previous Event

If not otherwise exempt, the top-25 finishing professionals and those tied for 25th place in the immediately preceding Nationwide Tour event (on a space-available basis).

12. Special Members / Medical

John Riegger
Skip Kendall
Jason Gore

Jeff Curl
Luke Hickmott
Jonathan Kaye

13. PGA TOUR Member Not Exempt for Current TOUR Event

If needed to fill the field, PGA TOUR members who are not eligible for the PGA TOUR event occurring simultaneously with the Nationwide Tour event.

14. PGA TOUR Extended Money List (151-200)

Adam Hadwin
Dean Wilson
Michael Putnam
Chris Riley
Fabian Gomez
Joe Durant
Woody Austin
Bio Kim
Alex Cejka
Ben Martin
Aron Price
Michael Connell
Marc Turnesa
Alex Prugh
Cameron Percy
Paul Stankowski
Kevin Sutherland
Scott Gutschewski
Richard S. Johnson
John Daly
Shaun Micheel
Andres Gonzales
J.P. Hayes
Chad Collins
Joseph Bramlett
Shigeki Maruyama
Michael Letzig

15. Top 100 Nationwide Tour Money Leaders / Qualifying Tournament Finalists (who are also PGA TOUR past champions or Veteran Members)

Peter Lonard
Rich Beem
Robert Gamez
Andre Stolz
Guy Boros
Carlos Franco
Glen Day
Len Mattiace
Tommy Armour

16. Nationwide Tour Past Champions (years 2-3)

Kevin Johnson
Michael Sim
Vance Veazey
Peter Tomasulo

Martin Piller
Ewan Porter
Jason Enloe
Steven Alker
Ryan Hietala
Rick Price
Scott Gardiner
Nate Smith
Steve Pate
Chris Baryla
Jerod Turner
Troy Merritt
Rich Barcelo
Bryan DeCorso
Robert Damron

17. Additional Finishers from PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament and Extended Money List (61-100)

Thomas Hoge
Chris DeForest
Charles Warren
Andrew Buckle
Alex Coe
Brian Stuard
Steve Allan
James Hahn
Tyrone Van Aswegen
Bronson La'Cassie
Chris Nallen
John Chin
Brice Garnett
Wes Roach
Jon Mills
Clark Dennis
Andy Winings
Doug LaBelle
Josh Geary
Sunghoon Kang
Andy Bare
Scott Sterling
Won Joon Lee
Bob May
Robert Streb
Adam Long
Brad Elder
Nick Flanagan
Brian Vranesh
Craig Hocknull
Jin Park
Fernando Mechereffe
Rahil Gangjee
Brent Delahoussaye
Matt Weibring
Jason Schultz

Sam Saunders
Richard Scott
Brent Witcher
Elliott Gealy
James Love
Clayton Rask
Brady Stockton
Matthew Giles
Bob Heintz
Zack Byrd
Jeff Brehaut
Diego Velasquez
Jimmy Lytle
David Vanegas
Andy Pope
Dawie van der Walt
Gator Todd
Travis Watkins
Benoit Beisser
Dan Buchner
Doug Barron
Andrew Johnson
Jesse Schutte
Brendan Gielow
Will Dodson
Brian Duncan
Matt Harmon
Jose Toledo
Jeff Corr
Richard T. Lee
Glenn Northcutt
Chip Deason
Johnny DelPrete
Andy Matthews
Mitch Gillis
Jimmy Brandt
Brian Prouty
Brad Benjamin
Eric Onesi
Ty Tryon
Sean Shahi
Hampton Ballard

18. PGA TOUR Past Champions, Team Winners, Veteran Members (beyond No. 150 on the money list)

19. Non-exempt Special Members/Medical

Warren Schutte
Kelly Sellers
Craig Lile
Jason Caron

20. PGA TOUR Past Champions

21. PGA TOUR Temporary Members
22. PGA TOUR Team Championship Winners
23. PGA TOUR Veteran Members
24. Special Temporary Members
25. Nationwide Tour Past Champions (years 3-9)

Tom Carter
Craig Kanada
David Branshaw
Joe Daley
Ben Bates
David Morland
Jim Rutledge
David McKenzie
Esteban Toledo
Jeff Quinney
Chris Anderson

26. Veteran Members (PGA TOUR and Nationwide Tour Career Cuts)

Danny Briggs
Pete Jordan
Sonny Skinner
Jeff Hart
Sean Murphy
Barry Cheesman
P.H. Horgan, III
R. W. Eaks
Todd Demsey

27. Additional Open Qualifiers

PERFORMANCE BENEFITS

- Leading Money Winner – is fully-exempt for the next year on the PGA TOUR and is exempt for THE PLAYERS Championship.
- Three-Win Promotion – if a player wins three Nationwide Tour events in the same calendar year, he receives an immediate promotion to the PGA TOUR. For the year in which he earned the promotion, the player has status via the 27th category on the PGA TOUR “All-Exempt Priority Rankings” (see Section 2 of the PGA TOUR Media Guide). The player has fully-exempt status the next year on the PGA TOUR via the 22nd category (same as Leading Money Winner from Nationwide Tour).
- Nos. 2-25 on Final Money List – are exempt on the PGA TOUR the following year.
- Nos. 26-60 on Final Money List – are fully exempt the following year on the Nationwide Tour in the event they do not secure their PGA TOUR card via the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.
- Nos. 61-100 on Final Money List – are conditionally exempt for the following year on the Nationwide Tour in the event they do not secure their PGA TOUR card via the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament.

NOTE: Players who finish 26-40 on the final Nationwide Tour money list are exempt into the Finals of the PGA TOUR Qualifying Tournament; players who finish 41-70 are exempt into the Second Stage of the Qualifying Tournament.

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