



**2016 Qualifying School Fast Facts
LPGA and Symetra Tour**



Qualifying School Stage I

On-line entry forms available June 20, 2016 on www.lpga.com
Entry Deadline: Monday, August 1, 2016; 5:00pm EDT

- **Tournament Dates:** Thursday, August 25 – Sunday, August 28, 2016 **Rain Date: Monday, August 29, 2016**
- **Location:** Mission Hills Country Club, Rancho Mirage, CA (Palmer and Dinah Shore courses); Westin Mission Hills Resort (Gary Player Course)
- **Field Criteria:**
 - 2016 Symetra Tour Members not ranked or ranked outside of the top 150 on the 2016 Symetra Tour Official Money list through the Decatur-Forsyth Classic
 - Any player moved from Stage II to Stage I as described in the field criteria for Stage II
 - All amateur and professional players (*who are not current LPGA Tour Members*) not ranked or ranked outside of the top 400 on the Rolex World Rankings as of the entry deadline
- **Entries:**
 - Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline
 - **All applicants who did not compete in the Qualifying School from 2012-2015 MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application.**
- **Cost:**
 - \$2,500
 - **Payment is by Credit Card ONLY and is due at the time of application**
- **Eligibility:**
 - Females who are 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2017
 - Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by June 15, 2016 - 5:00pm EDT. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information.
 - Amateurs must have a handicap of 4.0 or less based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required via the on-line application)
- **Format:**
 - 72 holes of stroke-play competition; a cut will be made after the third round
 - For the first three rounds, competitors will play one round each on the Palmer, Dinah Shore and Gary Player courses
 - Final round will be played on the Dinah Shore Course
 - Players will receive their own cart for the event
 - Employment of a caddie is optional
- **Player Registration:**
 - Monday, August 22, 8:00am-4:00pm OR Tuesday, August 23, 8:00am-4:00pm
- **Mandatory Player Meeting:**
 - Wednesday, August 24; 6:00pm

88 Rule Applies- Any player with a score of 88 or higher prior to the cut will automatically be withdrawn from the Qualifying Tournament and will not be eligible to receive any type of Tour status for 2017

*****All Players who complete 54 holes will receive Symetra Tour status for 2017*****

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Qualifying School Stage II

On-line entry forms available June 20, 2016 on www.lpga.com

Entry Deadline: Monday, August 1, 2016; 5:00pm EDT

- **Tournament Dates:** Thursday, October 20 – Sunday, October 23, 2016 **Rain Date: Monday, October 24, 2016**
- **Location:** Plantation Golf and Country Club, Venice, FL (Bobcat and Panther courses)
- **Field Criteria:**
 - Symetra Tour Members ranked # 1-150, plus those tied for 150th place on the official 2016 Symetra Tour money list through the Decatur Forsyth Classic
 - LPGA Tour Class A Members who have not competed in an official LPGA tournament during the 2014-2016 calendar years
 - Professional players who, as of the conclusion of the Decatur Forsyth Classic, won an amount of money in official Symetra Tour events that is equal to or greater than the amount of official money won by the Symetra Tour Member who was in 100th place on the official Symetra Tour Money List through the Decatur Forsyth Classic
 - Players, not otherwise qualified for Stage III, who are ranked within the top 400 on the Rolex World Rankings as of the entry deadline. Players will be ranked in the order of their position on the list as of the entry deadline. If more than 30 players apply through this category – and the total number of entries for stage II exceeds 100 players – remaining players may be moved to start the qualifying process at Stage I
 - Top-3 ranked players on the GolfWeek Women's Individual Collegiate Rankings as of the entry deadline
 - Top-3 ranked players on the women's 2016 World Amateur Golf Rankings as of the entry deadline
 - Qualifiers from Stage I (minimum of top 60 and ties; final number TBD prior to the start of Stage I)
- **Entries:**
 - Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline
 - **All applicants who did not compete in either Qualifying School between 2012-2015 MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application**
- **Cost:**
 - \$4,000 (All Players exempt into Stage II)
 - \$3,000 (Players who advance from Qualifying Stage I)
 - **Payment is by Credit Card ONLY and is due at the time of application**
- **Eligibility:**
 - Females who are 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2017
 - Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by June 15, 2016 - 5:00pm EDT. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information
 - Amateurs must have a handicap of 4.0 or less based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required via the on-line application)
- **Format:**
 - 72 holes of stroke-play competition with NO cut
 - Players will be required to walk; no electric carts will be used for the event
 - Players may carry their own bag, use a pull cart or employ a caddie; electric pull carts will not be permitted
- **Player Registration:**
 - Monday, October 17, 8:00am-4:00pm OR Tuesday, October 18, 8:00am-4:00pm
- **Mandatory Entrant Meeting:**
 - Wednesday, October 19; 6:00 pm

*****Status received upon completion of 72 holes:**

Top 80 and ties will advance to Qualifying School Stage III. All other players who complete 72 holes will receive Symetra Tour status (based on finish) for the 2017 season***

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Qualifying School Stage III

On-line entry forms available October 11, 2016 on www.lpga.com

Entry Deadline: Monday, November 14, 2016-5:00pm EDT

- **Tournament Dates:** Wednesday, November 30 – Sunday, December 4, 2016 **Rain Date:** Monday, December 5, 2016
- **Location:** LPGA International, Daytona Beach, FL – (Hills and Jones courses)
- **Field Criteria:**
 - 2016 LPGA Tour Members (except for LPGA Tour Class A Members who have not competed in an official LPGA Tournament during the 2014-2016 LPGA Tour seasons)
 - Players who were granted an LPGA Medical Extension in 2015 for the 2016 LPGA Tour season
 - Top fifteen (15) players and those players tied for the 15th position from the official 2016 Symetra Tour season-ending money list (in order of their position on the list) who do not earn LPGA Tour status via the Volvik Race for the Card and are not otherwise qualified for Stage III
 - Players ranked within the top 40 on the Rolex World Rankings as of the entry deadline for Stage II (August 1)
 - Qualifiers from Stage II (top 80 and ties)
- **Entries:**
 - Entries and payment must be received by the entry deadline
 - **All applicants who did not compete in either the Qualifying School between 2012-2015 MUST upload a copy of their certified birth certificate via the on-line application**
- **Eligibility:**
 - Females who are 18 years of age or older by January 1, 2017
 - Players who do not meet the age requirement, and transgender athletes, must indicate their desire to apply for the qualifying tournament with the LPGA by June 15, 2016 - 5:00pm EDT. Please contact Heather Daly-Donofrio at heather.dalydonofrio@lpga.com for more information
 - Amateurs must have a handicap of 4.0 or less based on courses with an average length of 6200 yards (verification required via on-line application)
- **Cost:**
 - \$0 (Players who started at Qualifying Stage I)
 - \$1,500 (Players who advance from Qualifying Stage II)
 - \$2,500 (LPGA and Symetra Tour members exempt into Stage III)
 - \$5,500 (Top-40 Rolex-Ranked players)
 - **Payment is by Credit Card ONLY and is due at the time of application**
- **Format:**
 - 90 holes of stroke-play competition.
 - Field will be cut after 72 holes to the low 70 players and ties
 - Final round played on the Hills Course (unless otherwise designated by LPGA)
 - Every player must have a caddie
 - No electric carts will be used for the event
- **Player Registration:**
 - Monday, November 28, 8:00am-4:00pm

***** Status received upon successful completion:**

Top finishers receive LPGA membership (total number TBD) and all other players who complete a minimum of 72 holes will receive Symetra Tour status. 2017 Category status and number of membership cards will be determined by LPGA prior to the commencement of the Qualifying School Stage III competition.

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