

## **TERMS OF COMPETITION**

### **1. Tournament Details**

#### **1.1 Tournament Name**

2025 Wallace Development New Zealand PGA Championship

#### **1.2 Tournament Location**

Hastings Golf Club  
523 Maraekakaho Road,  
RD5, Bridge Pa 4175,  
New Zealand

#### **1.3 Tournament Dates**

Thursday 6 – Sunday 9, March 2025

#### **1.4 Prizemoney**

A\$ 175,000

Prizemoney will be distributed in accordance with prizemoney ratios for Tournaments below \$500k

#### **1.5 Order of Merit Points**

1,000 ranking points will be available for this Tournament. If at close of entries less than 75% of the available places from 4.1(a) are filled, the total points available will be reduced by 25%.

### **2. Format, Cut and Ties**

#### **2.1 Championship Format**

The 2025 New Zealand PGA Championship will be contested over 72 holes of stroke play, 18 holes on each day of the prescribed Tournament dates listed above.

#### **2.2 Cut**

The leading 50 professional scores after 36 holes and any tied for 50<sup>th</sup> place, plus any amateur player on an equivalent or better 36-hole total to the 50<sup>th</sup> placed professional, shall qualify for the third round; the remainder shall be eliminated.

#### **2.3 Ties**

In the event of a tie or ties after 72 holes, a play-off to produce a single winner will be conducted. Players in such a tie will continue over such holes as the Committee shall decide in a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is determined.

### **3. Entry and Withdrawal Procedures**

#### **3.1 Close of Entries**

Entries must be received by 2:00pm, Melbourne time, on 20/02/2025 unless otherwise advised

#### **3.2 Entry Procedures**

##### **(a) PGA Members & NZ PGA Members**

All PGA Members & NZ PGA Members wishing to enter

shall do so via their account on MyPGA or the PGA Tour of Australasia smartphone app.

##### **(b) Non-Member Professionals**

All non-Member Professionals wishing to shall do so by selecting the "non-Member Entry" option on applicable Tournament from the Tour schedule page on [pga.org.au](http://pga.org.au)

Only invited Amateurs are eligible to enter

#### **3.3 Entry Fees**

(a) PGA Member & NZ PGA Members \$110

(b) Non-Member Professional \$275

(c) Invited amateurs \$110

#### **3.4 Withdrawal Procedures**

Any player wishing to withdraw from a tournament prior to the close of entries (including a pre-qualifying round) must give electronic notice via the entry portal on MyPGA.

Players wishing to withdraw after the close of entries must do so via email notification to the Tournaments Division [tour@pga.org.au](mailto:tour@pga.org.au).

*Note: No withdrawals will be accepted over the telephone or verbally.*

a. When a player who is competing in pre-qualifying withdraws after the closing date for entries, but before 5pm on the Friday prior, he will not be subject to any penalty. If such a player withdraws after 5:00pm on the Friday prior to the Tournament, they will forfeit their entry fee.

b. Any player who has been confirmed as part of the "Final Field" of a Tournament after close of entries will forfeit their entry fee if withdrawing for reasons other than those permitted circumstances as outlined in the PGA Membership Regulations.

c. Any player who fails to notify the PGA, through the correct procedure explained above, of their withdrawal from Pre-Qualifying will be subject to the appropriate penalty

#### **3.5 Player Responsibilities**

At all times, the onus is on the player to check that his entry has been received by the Tournament Division of the PGA and to confirm his pre-qualification status for each event.

### **4. Pre Qualifying**

At the close of entries, those players who are not exempt will automatically be placed in the Pre-Qualifying round. The pre qualifier will take place on Monday 3 March 2025 at Hawkes Bay Golf Club. There will be a minimum of 6 pre-qualifying positions available. The Pre-Qualifying Draw will be published at 5pm on the Friday preceding the tournament week.

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Amateur Entries will not be accepted for this tournament

The maximum field size for the pre-qualifying for this tournament is 96 players. Should the number of players entered into the qualifying exceed this number, players will be ranked according to the below criteria and placed on a reserve list accordingly:

1. PGA of Australasia Full Tournament Members (ranked as follows: (a) points earned current season OOM, (b) points earned on previous season OOM, (c) total wins on recognised PGA Tours, (d) PGATA Career Money, (e) date of entry)
2. Full Vocational Members of the Australian PGA (based on most recent Final National Rankings, then order of entry)
3. Temporary Tournament Tour Members (in order of date of entry)
4. PGATA Senior Tournament Members (in order of date of entry)
5. PGA Associates with Playing Invite (based on current National Ranking, then date of entry).
6. Members of other recognised Tours (in order of date of entry)
7. Members of other recognised PGAs (in order of date of entry)
8. Non-aligned professionals (in order of date of entry)

Note – there will be a maximum of 20 positions available as per the PGATA's Policy for Limiting Pre Qualifying Positions

### **5. Field Size**

132 players

### **6. Eligibility**

- a. The leading 6 players within the Top 10 from the Final 2024 Charles Tour Order of Merit
- b. The leading 6 players within the Top 10 from the Final 2024 NZ PGA Order of Merit
- c. 84 players ranked in accordance with the 2024/25 PGATA Exemption Categories
- d. 8 positions to New Zealand players allocated as follows:
  - Current PGA of NZ Club Professional Champion
  - Current PGA of NZ Trainee Champion
  - 4 Elite New Zealand Amateurs

- Remaining positions at the discretion of Organising Committee
- e. 10 International Invitations
- f. 12 Tournament Invitations
- g. 6 Pre-Qualifying positions

Any positions not filled from a), b), d), e) & f) shall revert to c). Should all category players in c) be exempt for the tournament, the number of pre qualifying spots will be increased, to a maximum of 20 positions.

### **Final Field**

The field will be finalised at the close of entries and entrants who are exempted into the field at this time will have their status updated on the PGA website from "ENTERED" to either "CONFIRMED"

### **7. Caddy Status**

This tournament is a 'Non-Compulsory Caddie event'. This means that players in the last 6 groups on the weekend will be required to use a caddy, who must carry the bag. Pull carts are not permitted by caddies in these last 6 groups.

### **8. Amateur Participation**

Any amateur who gains a position in the field via Invitation or pre qualifying shall be permitted to change their status to Professional at any stage up until their tee time in the 1<sup>st</sup> Round. This should be done in writing and emailed to [tour@pga.org.au](mailto:tour@pga.org.au). Amateur players will not be permitted claim prizemoney in any PGA Sanctioned Tournament.

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