

SIGNATURE EVENT FACT SHEET (ENTERING ARNOLD PALMER INVITATIONAL PRESENTED BY MASTERCARD)

OVERVIEW

With the PGA TOUR Season returning to a calendar-year spanning January to August, each week has greater impact in the season-long race for the FedExCup as well as in-season stakes, through Signature Event qualification. Players qualify for the limited-field tournaments via the top 50 previous season's FedExCup standings (BMW Championship) and can play their way in through the Aon Next 10 and Aon Swing 5.

AON NEXT 10 and AON SWING 5

The Aon Next 10 and Aon Swing 5 are eligibility pathways for players, not already qualified, to play their way into Signature Events via the FedExCup standings.



- Aon Next 10:** Top 10 available players, not otherwise exempt, from FedExCup standings. The Aon Next 10 will always fill to 10 players.
- Aon Swing 5:** Top five available players, not otherwise exempt, who earn the most FedExCup points from events leading up to each Signature Event. The Aon Swing 5 will always fill to five players.

AON NEXT 10 / AON SWING 5 STANDINGS

Aon Next 10			Aon Swing 5		
1	Matthieu Pavon	975.063	1	Sami Valimaki	300.000
2	Jake Knapp	775.905	2	Min Woo Lee	245.000
3	Ludvig Åberg	602.667	3	C.T. Pan	171.500
4	Austin Eckroat	571.050	T4	Stephan Jaeger	145.000
5	Luke List	530.750	T4	Justin Lower	145.000
6	Erik van Rooyen	528.560			
7	Grayson Murray	506.375			
8	C. Bezuidenhout	476.455			
9	Will Zalatoris	448.143			
10	Justin Thomas	443.167			

STORYLINES

The Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard is the fourth Signature Event of the season. The Aon Next 10 is filled with the top 10 players in the FedExCup standings through the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches that did not finish in the top 50 of the 2022-23 FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List, while the Aon Swing 5 is made up of the next five players earning the most points in the Mexico Open at Vidanta and the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches.

LAST WEEK ON TOUR: COGNIZANT CLASSIC IN THE PLAM BEACHES

Austin Eckroat won the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches by three strokes over **Erik van Rooyen** and **Min Woo Lee**, earning his first PGA TOUR title. With the victory, Eckroat secured a spot in all remaining Signature Events, including the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard (No. 4 in the Aon Next 10). Van Rooyen (Aon Next 10) and Lee (Aon Swing 5) also got into the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard after their runner-up finishes. **David Skinnis** missed a 16-foot, 6-inch birdie putt at the 72nd hole and made par to finish T4; a birdie would have led to a T2 and a spot in the field at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard via the Aon Swing 5.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: ARNOLD PALMER INVITATIONAL PRESENTED BY MASTERCARD

This is **Stephan Jaeger's** second time qualifying for a Signature Event via the Aon Swing 5 this season (first: T71/AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am). Jaeger finished T3 at the Farmers Insurance Open and Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches after recording zero top-three finishes in his first 128 career starts on TOUR.

2021 Arnold Palmer Award winner **Will Zalatoris**, who finished runner-up at The Genesis Invitational in his most recent start and qualified for the event via the Aon Next 10, is making his fourth start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard (best result: T10/2021).

AON SWING 5 STANDINGS FOR RBC HERITAGE BEGIN AT PUERTO RICO OPEN

The Aon Swing 5 standings for the RBC Heritage, the next Signature Event, will be determined through the Puerto Rico Open, Valspar Championship, Texas Children's Houston Open and Valero Texas Open.

SIGNATURE EVENTS ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility criteria for Signature Events (outside The Sentry):

- Top 50 in the previous season's FedExCup standings
- Aon Next 10
- Aon Swing 5
- If not exempt from a higher category listed above: current-year tournament winners (excluding Additional Events) and PGA TOUR members in the top 30 in the OWGR
- Four sponsor exemptions (PGA TOUR members)
- The three player-hosted events each have one tournament host exemption, which is not restricted to PGA TOUR members

PRIORITY RANKING: ARNOLD PALMER INVITATIONAL pb MASTERCARD

Ranking shows eligible players // *Italics* indicates a player is eligible via higher category

Category 1

Top 50 from 2022-23 FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List

Rk.	Player	Count
1	Viktor Hovland	1
2	Xander Schauffele	2
3	Wyndham Clark	3
4	Rory McIlroy	4
5	Patrick Cantlay	5
6	Scottie Scheffler	6
6	Collin Morikawa	7
6	Tommy Fleetwood	8
9	Matt Fitzpatrick	9
9	Adam Schenk	10
9	Max Homa	11
9	Keegan Bradley	12
9	Sam Burns	13
14	Sepp Straka	14
14	Russell Henley	15
16	Rickie Fowler	16
	Tyrrell Hatton	
18	Lucas Glover	17
19	Si Woo Kim	18
19	Tom Kim	19
19	Tony Finau	
22	Brian Harman	20
23	Sungjae Im	21
24	Nick Taylor	22
25	Corey Connors	23
26	Jordan Spieth	24
27	Jason Day	25
28	Emiliano Grillo	26
28	Taylor Moore	27
30	Sahith Theegala	28
31	Chris Kirk	29
32	Denny McCarthy	30
33	Justin Rose	31
34	Andrew Putnam	32
35	Kurt Kitayama	33
36	Adam Svensson	34
37	Harris English	35
38	J.T. Poston	36
39	Lee Hodges	37
40	Seamus Power	38
41	Cameron Young	39
42	Eric Cole	40
43	Byeong Hun An	41
44	Adam Hadwin	42
45	Tom Hoge	43
46	Brendon Todd	44
47	Cam Davis	45
48	Patrick Rodgers	46
49	Hideki Matsuyama	47
50	Mackenzie Hughes	48

Category 2

Aon Next 10

Rk.	Player	Count
1	Matthieu Pavon	49
	<i>Scottie Scheffler</i>	
	<i>Chris Kirk</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
2	Jake Knapp	50
	<i>Wyndham Clark</i>	
	<i>Byeong Hun An</i>	
	<i>Xander Schauffele</i>	
	<i>J.T. Poston</i>	
	<i>Jason Day</i>	
	<i>Sahith Theegala</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Patrick Cantlay</i>	
	<i>Tom Hoge</i>	
	<i>Sam Burns</i>	
3	Ludvig Åberg	51
4	Austin Eckroat	52
5	Luke List	53
6	Erik van Rooyen	54
	<i>Adam Hadwin</i>	
7	Grayson Murray	55
	<i>Harris English</i>	
	<i>Eric Cole</i>	
8	C. Bezuidenhout	56
	<i>Jordan Spieth</i>	
	<i>Collin Morikawa</i>	
9	Will Zalatoris	57
10	Justin Thomas	58

Category 3

Aon Swing 5

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Jake Knapp</i>	
	<i>Austin Eckroat</i>	
	<i>Erik van Rooyen</i>	
1	Sami Valimaki	59
2	Min Woo Lee	60
3	C.T. Pan	61
T4	Stephan Jaeger	62
T4	Justin Lower	63

Category 4

2024 tournament winners (full FedExCup point events)

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Chris Kirk</i>	
	<i>Grayson Murray</i>	
1	Nick Dunlap	64
	<i>Matthieu Pavon</i>	
	<i>Wyndham Clark</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Jake Knapp</i>	

QUICK FACTS

- Field sizes for Signature Events are expected to be approximately 70-80 players (80 players for the AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am due to format)
- Increased purses (\$20 million)
- Increased FedExCup points (700 for the winner)
- No mandatory participation regulation for eligible players
- No cut, except for three player-hosted invitationals (Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, The Genesis Invitational, the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday)

Austin Eckroat

Category 5 Sponsor exemptions (PGA TOUR members)

Rk.	Player	Count
1	Nicolai Højgaard	65
2	Shane Lowry	66
3	Adam Scott	67
4	Webb Simpson	68

Category 6*

Tournament host exemption

Rk.	Player	Count
1	David Ford	69

Category 7

PGA TOUR members in the top 30 in the Official World Golf Ranking

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Scottie Scheffler</i>	
	<i>Rory McIlroy</i>	
	<i>Viktor Hovland</i>	
	<i>Xander Schauffele</i>	
	<i>Patrick Cantlay</i>	
	<i>Wyndham Clark</i>	
	<i>Max Homa</i>	
	<i>Matt Fitzpatrick</i>	
	<i>Brian Harman</i>	
	<i>Ludvig Åberg</i>	
	<i>Tommy Fleetwood</i>	
	<i>Jordan Spieth</i>	
	<i>Collin Morikawa</i>	
	<i>Keegan Bradley</i>	
	<i>Tom Kim</i>	
	<i>Sam Burns</i>	
	<i>Jason Day</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Cameron Young</i>	
	<i>Sahith Theegala</i>	
	<i>Justin Thomas</i>	
	<i>Matthieu Pavon</i>	
	<i>Tony Finau</i>	
	<i>Chris Kirk</i>	
	<i>Sepp Straka</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Russell Henley</i>	

* Only for The Genesis Invitational, Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard and the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday

SIGNATURE EVENT QUALIFICATION CALENDAR

Date	Tournament	Aon Next 10	Aon Swing 5	OWGR
Jan 1-7	The Sentry	<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	AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	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	The Genesis Invitational	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	Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches			
Mar 4-10	Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard	Top 10 thru Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches	Mexico Open at Vidanta Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches	Ranking as of Monday, Mar 4 (thru Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches)
Mar 4-10	Puerto Rico Open			
Mar 11-17	THE PLAYERS Championship			
Mar 18-24	Valspar Championship			
Mar 25-31	Texas Children's Houston Open			
April 1-7	Valero Texas Open			
April 8-14	Masters Tournament			
April 15-21	RBC Heritage	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	Wells Fargo Championship	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	the Memorial Tournament presented by Workday	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	Travelers Championship	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)

2024 SIGNATURE EVENT QUALIFICATION BY PLAYER

Player	Sentry (59)	Pebble Beach (80)	Genesis (70)	API (69)	Heritage	Wells Fargo	Memorial	Travelers
Riley, Davis	Win	Fill the field						
Rodgers, Patrick	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Rose, Justin	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50 (DNP)	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Ryder, Sam		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10					
Schauffele, Xander	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Scheffler, Scottie	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Schenk, Adam	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Scott, Adam		Sponsor exemption	Sponsor exemption	Sponsor exemption				
Simpson, Webb		Sponsor exemption		Sponsor exemption				
Smalley, Alex		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10					
Spaun, J.J.		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10					
Spieth, Jordan	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Straka, Sepp	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Svensson, Adam	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Taylor, Nick	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Theegala, Sahith	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Thomas, Justin		Top 30 OWGR	Aon Swing 5	Aon Next 10				
Todd, Brendon	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Valimaki, Sami				Aon Swing 5				
van Rooyen, Erik	Win	Fill the field		Aon Next 10				
Villegas, Camilo	Win							
Wallace, Matt	Win							
Woodland, Gary			Sponsor exemption					
Woods, Tiger			Sponsor exemption					
Wu, Brandon		Fill the field						
Young, Cameron	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Yu, Kevin		Aon Swing 5	Aon Swing 5					
Zalatoris, Will			Sponsor exemption	Aon Next 10				

49 players that finished outside the top 50 in the 2022-23 FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List have made at least one start in Signature Events