

SIGNATURE EVENT FACT SHEET (ENTERING COGNIZANT CLASSIC IN THE PALM BEACHES)

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	948.563	1	Sami Valimaki	300.000
2	Jake Knapp	671.905	T2	Stephan Jaeger	145.000
3	Ludvig Åberg	602.667	T2	Justin Lower	145.000
4	Luke List	530.750	T2	C.T. Pan	145.000
5	Grayson Murray	506.375	5	Robert MacIntyre	95.000
6	C. Bezuidenhout	476.455	T6	Doug Ghim	75.000
7	Will Zalatoris	448.143	T6	Chan Kim	75.000
8	Justin Thomas	443.167	T6	Andrew Novak	75.000
9	Mark Hubbard	382.079	T6	Erik van Rooyen	75.000
10	Thomas Detry	377.455	T6	Carson Young	75.000

STORYLINES

The Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches is the second of two Full-Field Events leading up to the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard. The Aon Next 10 for the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard will be 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 will be 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: MEXICO OPEN AT VIDANTA

Jake Knapp won the Mexico Open at Vidanta by two strokes over Finland's **Sami Valimaki**, earning his first PGA TOUR title in his ninth career start (fifth as a member). With the win, Knapp secured a spot in all five remaining Signature Events in 2024. By finishing runner-up, Valimaki moved to No. 1 in the Aon Swing 5 standings and clinched a spot in the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: COGNIZANT CLASSIC IN THE PALM BEACHES

First-year member **Robert MacIntyre** enters the week No. 5 in the Aon Swing 5 standings following his T6 at the Mexico Open at Vidanta, his fifth career top-10 on TOUR and first since becoming a member. MacIntyre is making his tournament debut at the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches and competed at the 2021 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, finishing T36 (exempt via top 50 in the Official World Golf Ranking).

PGA TOUR rookie **Chan Kim** finished T8 at the Mexico Open at Vidanta, earning his first career top-10 finish in 27 starts on the PGA TOUR. Kim enters the week T6 in the Aon Swing 5 standings, looking to qualify for his first Signature Event.

Davis Riley finished T8 at the 2023 Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard, one of only two players that finished in the top 10 that did not go on to qualify for the BMW Championship (other: Trey Mullinax; not in field at the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches). Riley has played in two Signature Events to date in 2024 (The Sentry via his win at the Zurich Classic of New Orleans; AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am via the "fill the field" category).

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	9
9	Max Homa	10
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	20
22	Brian Harman	21
23	Sungjae Im	22
24	Nick Taylor	23
25	Corey Conners	24
26	Jordan Spieth	25
27	Jason Day	26
28	Emiliano Grillo	27
28	Taylor Moore	28
30	Sahith Theegala	29
31	Chris Kirk	30
32	Denny McCarthy	31
33	Justin Rose	32
34	Andrew Putnam	33
35	Kurt Kitayama	34
36	Adam Svensson	35
37	Harris English	36
38	J.T. Poston	37
39	Lee Hodges	38
40	Seamus Power	39
41	Cameron Young	40
42	Eric Cole	41
43	Byeong Hun An	42
44	Adam Hadwin	43
45	Tom Hoge	44
46	Brendon Todd	45
47	Cam Davis	46
48	Patrick Rodgers	47
49	Hideki Matsuyama	48
50	Mackenzie Hughes	49

Category 2

Aon Next 10

Rk.	Player	Count
1	Matthieu Pavon	50
	<i>Scottie Scheffler</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Chris Kirk</i>	
	<i>Wyndham Clark</i>	
	<i>Byeong Hun An</i>	
	<i>Xander Schauffele</i>	
2	Jake Knapp	51
	<i>J.T. Poston</i>	
	<i>Jason Day</i>	
	<i>Sahith Theegala</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Patrick Cantlay</i>	
	<i>Sam Burns</i>	
3	Ludvig Åberg	52
	<i>Tom Hoge</i>	
4	Luke List	53
	<i>Adam Hadwin</i>	
5	Grayson Murray	54
	<i>Harris English</i>	
	<i>Eric Cole</i>	
6	C. Bezuidenhout	55
	<i>Jordan Spieth</i>	
	<i>Collin Morikawa</i>	
7	Will Zalatoris	56
8	Justin Thomas	57
	<i>Keegan Bradley</i>	
9	Mark Hubbard	58
10	Thomas Detry	59

Category 3

Aon Swing 5

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Jake Knapp</i>	
1	Sami Valimaki	60
T2	Stephan Jaeger	61
T2	Justin Lower	62
T2	C.T. Pan	63
5	Robert MacIntyre	64

Category 4

2024 tournament winners (full FedExCup point events)

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Chris Kirk</i>	
	<i>Grayson Murray</i>	
1	Nick Dunlap	65
	<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)

Category 5

Sponsor exemptions (PGA TOUR members)

Rk.	Player	Count
1	TBA	66
2	TBA	67
3	TBA	68
4	TBA	69

Category 6*

Tournament host exemption

Rk.	Player	Count
1	TBA	70

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>Sahith Theegala</i>	
	<i>Justin Thomas</i>	
	<i>Cameron Young</i>	
	<i>Tony Finau</i>	
	<i>Sepp Straka</i>	
	<i>Matthieu Pavon</i>	
	<i>Chris Kirk</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	<i>THE PLAYERS Championship</i>			
Mar 18-24	Valspar Championship			
Mar 25-31	Texas Children's Houston Open			
April 1-7	Valero Texas Open			
April 8-14	<i>Masters Tournament</i>			
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	Heritage	Wells Fargo	Memorial	Travelers
Schenk, Adam	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Scott, Adam		Sponsor exemption	Sponsor exemption					
Simpson, Webb		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					
Todd, Brendon	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
van Rooyen, Erik	Win	Fill the field						
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					

40 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
 19 players that finished outside the top 50 in the 2022-23 FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List have made at least two starts in Signature Events
 3 players that finished outside the top 50 in the 2022-23 FedExCup Playoffs and Eligibility Points List have made three starts in Signature Events