

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

OVERVIEW

Signature Events are limited-field events comprised of the top PGA TOUR players from the previous season's FedExCup as well as trending players from the current season who play their way in via the Aon Next 10 and Aon Swing 5. These eligibility pathways deliver compelling storylines and added consequence at Full Field Events while impacting the season-long race for the FedExCup.

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 STANDINGS ENTERING THIS WEEK

1	Nick Taylor	777.297	1	Aldrich Potgieter	300.000
2	Maverick McNealy	663.625	2	Jacob Bridgeman	262.000
3	Harris English	553.134	3	Ben Griffin	245.000
4	Joe Highsmith	547.700	4	Isaiah Salinda	206.000
5	J.J. Spaun	529.381	5	Max McGreevy	153.500
6	Brian Campbell	514.379	6	Nicolai Højgaard	128.000
7	Michael Kim	498.355	7	Jake Knapp	122.667
8	Patrick Rodgers	457.973	8	Joel Dahmen	116.214
9	Daniel Berger	432.625	9	Alex Smalley	113.000
10	Sam Stevens	411.429	10	Erik Van Rooyen	82.400

STORYLINES

The Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard is the fourth Signature Event of the season. The Aon Next 10 is made up of 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 2024 FedExCup standings, while the Aon Swing 5 is made up of the next five players (not otherwise exempt) earning the most points in the Mexico Open at VidantaWorld and the Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches.

LAST WEEK ON TOUR: Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches

Joe Highsmith became the first player on TOUR to win after making the cut on the number (5-under) since Brandt Snedeker (2016 Farmers Insurance Open). Highsmith became the third first-time winner on TOUR this season, joining Brian Campbell (Mexico Open at VidantaWorld) and Thomas Detry (WM Phoenix Open). With the win, Highsmith is exempt for the remaining Signature Events in 2025 and is fully exempt on the PGA TOUR through the 2027 season.

PLAYERS TO WATCH: Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard

Harris English, No. 3 in the Aon Next 10, is making his 13th career start at the Arnold Palmer Invitational presented by Mastercard where he has five top-25 finishes, including two top-10s (T2/2023, T9/2020).

J.J. Spaun is the only player this season with multiple finishes inside the top three (T3/Sony Open in Hawaii, T2/Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches) and qualified at No. 5 in the Aon Next 10 standings.

PGA TOUR rookie **Aldrich Potgieter** sits atop the Aon Swing 5 standings after finishing runner-up at the Mexico Open at VidantaWorld and will make his first start in a Signature Event this week. A 20-year-old from Pretoria, South Africa, Potgieter leads the TOUR in driving distance this season (326.9 average).

Ben Griffin, No. 3 in the Aon Swing 5, enters the week with back-to-back T4 finishes in his last two starts (Mexico Open at VidantaWorld, Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches). Griffin also finished T7 earlier this year at The American Express and is one of four players this season with three top-10 finishes (Russell Henley, Maverick McNealy, Justin Thomas).

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 2024 FedExCup Standings		
Rk.	Player	Count
1	Scottie Scheffler	1
2	Collin Morikawa	2
3	Sahith Theegala	3
4	Xander Schauffele	4
4	Russell Henley	5
4	Adam Scott	6
7	Sungjae Im	7
8	Wyndham Clark	8
9	Rory McIlroy	9
9	Hideki Matsuyama	10
9	Shane Lowry	11
12	Sam Burns	12
12	Viktor Hovland	13
14	Justin Thomas	14
14	Taylor Pendrith	15
16	Ludvig Åberg	16
17	Patrick Cantlay	17
17	Robert MacIntyre	18
17	Matthieu Pavon	19
20	Tommy Fleetwood	20
21	Keegan Bradley	21
21	Byeong Hun An	22
23	Billy Horschel	23
23	Tony Finau	24
23	Aaron Rai	25
26	Akshay Bhatia	26
27	Chris Kirk	27
27	Sepp Straka	28
29	Christiaan Bezuidenhout	29
29	Tom Hoge	30
31	Brian Harman	31
32	Si Woo Kim	32
33	Jason Day	33
34	Davis Thompson	34
35	Denny McCarthy	35
36	Cam Davis	36
37	Alex Noren	37
38	Will Zalatoris	37
39	Corey Conners	38
40	Matt Fitzpatrick	39
41	J.T. Poston	40
42	Thomas Detry	41
43	Stephan Jaeger	42
44	Cameron Young	43
45	Austin Eckroat	44
46	Max Homa	45
47	Adam Hadwin	46
48	Max Greyserman	47
49	Nick Dunlap	48
50	Eric Cole	49

Category 2

Aon Next 10		
Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Ludvig Åberg</i>	
	<i>Sepp Straka</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Thomas Detry</i>	
1	Nick Taylor	50
	<i>Rory McIlroy</i>	
2	Maverick McNealy	51
	<i>Justin Thomas</i>	
3	Harris English	52
4	Joe Highsmith	53
5	J.J. Spaun	54
	<i>Scottie Scheffler</i>	
	<i>Collin Morikawa</i>	
6	Brian Campbell	55
	<i>Sungjae Im</i>	
7	Michael Kim	56
	<i>Russell Henley</i>	
	<i>Shane Lowry</i>	
8	Patrick Rodgers	57
	<i>Patrick Cantlay</i>	
	<i>Cam Davis</i>	
9	Daniel Berger	58
10	Sam Stevens	59

Category 3

Aon Swing 5		
Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Joe Highsmith</i>	
	<i>Brian Campbell</i>	
1	Aldrich Potgieter	60
2	Jacob Bridgeman	61
	<i>J.J. Spaun</i>	
3	Ben Griffin	62
4	Isaiah Salinda	63
5	Max McGreevy	64

Category 4

Current season tournament winners (full FedExCup point events)

Rk.	Player	Count
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Sepp Straka</i>	
	<i>Harris English</i>	
	<i>Rory McIlroy</i>	
	<i>Thomas Detry</i>	
	<i>Ludvig Åberg</i>	
	<i>Brian Campbell</i>	
	<i>Joe Highsmith</i>	

Category 5

Sponsor exemptions (PGA TOUR members)

Rk.	Player	Count
1	Rafael Campos	65
2	Mackenzie Hughes	66
3	Min Woo Lee	67
4	Justin Rose	68

QUICK FACTS

- New in 2025, field sizes for Signature Events are a minimum of 72 players. If necessary to fill the field, tournaments will use the next available player(s) from the Aon Next 10.
- \$20 million purses; 700 FedExCup points to the winner
- No cut, except for three player-hosted invitationals (Arnold Palmer Invitational, The Genesis Invitational, the Memorial Tournament)

Category 6*

Unrestricted Exemption - Arnold Palmer Cup Exemption		
Rk.	Player	Count
1	Jackson Koivun	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>Xander Schauffele</i>	
	<i>Ludvig Åberg</i>	
	<i>Collin Morikawa</i>	
	<i>Hideki Matsuyama</i>	
	<i>Wyndham Clark</i>	
	<i>Justin Thomas</i>	
	<i>Tommy Fleetwood</i>	
	<i>Maverick McNealy</i>	
	<i>Patrick Cantlay</i>	
	<i>Russell Henley</i>	
	<i>Viktor Hovland</i>	
	<i>Keegan Bradley</i>	
	<i>Shane Lowry</i>	
	<i>Sepp Straka</i>	
	<i>Robert MacIntyre</i>	
	<i>Billy Horschel</i>	
	<i>Sahith Theegala</i>	
	<i>Sungjae Im</i>	
	<i>Thomas Detry</i>	
	<i>Adam Scott</i>	
26	Tom Kim	70
	<i>Tony Finau</i>	
	<i>Sam Burns</i>	
	<i>Nick Taylor</i>	
	<i>Akshay Bhatia</i>	

Category 8

Fill the field to 72 players - Current FedExCup Points List (not otherwise exempt)

Rk.	Player	Count
25	Lucas Glover	71
26	Andrew Novak	72

* 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
Dec 30-Jan 5	The Sentry	<i>Top 50 players from the previous season's FedExCup standings through the FedExCup Playoffs and tournament winners from the prior year, including Additional Events and the FedExCup Fall</i>		
Jan 9-12	Sony Open in Hawaii			
Jan 13-19	The American Express			
Jan 20-25	Farmers Insurance Open			
Jan 27-Feb. 2	AT&T Pebble Beach Pro-Am	Top 10 thru 2024 FedExCup Fall (fill the field below 10th)	Sony Open in Hawaii The American Express Farmers Insurance Open	Top 30 as of Mon, Jan 27 (thru Farmers Insurance Open)
Feb 3-9	WM Phoenix Open			
Feb 10-16	The Genesis Invitational	Top 10 thru 2024 FedExCup Fall (fill the field below 10th)	Sony Open in Hawaii The American Express Farmers Insurance Open WM Phoenix Open	Top 30 as of Mon, Feb 10 (thru WM Phoenix Open)
Feb 17-23	Mexico Open at VidantaWorld			
Feb 24-March 2	Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches			
March 3-9	Arnold Palmer Invitational pb Mastercard	Top 10 thru Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches	Mexico Open at VidantaWorld Cognizant Classic in The Palm Beaches	Top 30 as of Mon, March 3 (thru WM Phoenix Open)
March 3-9	Puerto Rico Open			
March 10-16	THE PLAYERS Championship			
March 17-23	Valspar Championship			
March 24-30	Texas Children's Houston Open			
March 31-April 6	Valero Texas Open			
April 7-13	Masters Tournament			
April 14-20	RBC Heritage	Top 10 thru Masters Tournament	Puerto Rico Open Valspar Championship Texas Children's Houston Open Valero Texas Open	Top 30 as of Mon, April 14 (thru Masters Tournament)
April 14-20	Corales Puntacana Championship			
April 21-27	Zurich Classic of New Orleans			
April 28-May 4	THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson			
May 5-11	Truist Championship	Top 10 thru THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	Corales Puntacana Championship Zurich Classic of New Orleans THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson	Top 30 as of Mon, May 5 (thru THE CJ CUP Byron Nelson)
May 5-11	ONEflight Myrtle Beach Classic			
May 12-18	PGA Championship			
May 19-25	Charles Schwab Challenge			
May 26-June 1	the Memorial Tournament pb Workday	Top 10 thru Charles Schwab Challenge	Myrtle Beach Classic Charles Schwab Challenge	Top 30 as of Mon, May 26 (thru Charles Schwab Challenge)
June 2-8	RBC Canadian Open			
June 9-15	U.S. Open			
June 16-22	Travelers Championship	Top 10 thru U.S. Open	Myrtle Beach Classic Charles Schwab Challenge RBC Canadian Open	Top 30 as of Mon, June 16 (thru U.S. Open)

2025 Signature Event Qualification by Player								
Player	Sentry	Pebble Beach	Genesis	API	RBC Heritage	Truist	Memorial	Travelers
Åberg, Ludvig	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
An, Byeong Hun	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Berger, Daniel			Aon Swing 5	Aon Next 10				
Bezuidenhout, Christiaan	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Bhatia, Akshay	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Bradley, Keegan	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Bridgeman, Jacob				Aon Swing 5				
Burns, Sam	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Campbell, Brian				Aon Next 10	Win	Win	Win	Win
Campos, Rafael	Win			Sponsor exemption				
Cantlay, Patrick	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Clark, Wyndham	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Cole, Eric	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Connors, Corey	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Davis, Cam	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Day, Jason	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Detry, Thomas	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Dunlap, Nick	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Echavarria, Nico	Win	Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10					
Eckroat, Austin	Top 50/Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
English, Harris		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10	Win	Win	Win	Win
Finau, Tony	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Fitzpatrick, Matt	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Fleetwood, Tommy	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Fowler, Rickie		Sponsor exemption	Sponsor exemption					
Garnett, Brice	Win							
Ghim, Doug		Fill the field						
Glover, Lucas		Fill the field	Fill the field	Fill the field				
Gotterup, Chris	Win							
Greyserman, Max	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Griffin, Ben		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10	Aon Swing 5				
Hadwin, Adam	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Hall, Harry	Win	Sponsor exemption						
Harman, Brian	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Henley, Russell	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Highsmith, Joe				Aon Next 10				
Hodges, Lee		Aon Swing 5						
Hoge, Tom	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Højgaard, Rasmus		Race to Dubai	Race to Dubai					
Homa, Max	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Horschel, Billy	Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Hossler, Beau		Fill the field						
Hovland, Viktor	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Hubbard, Mark		Fill the field	Fill the field					
Hughes, Mackenzie		Aon Next 10	Aon Next 10	Sponsor exemption				
Im, Sungjae	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Jaeger, Stephan	Win	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Kim, Si Woo	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50	Top 50
Kim, Michael			Aon Swing 5	Aon Next 10				

