



RULES & AGRONOMY PREVIEW

TOURNAMENT	2026 Cognizant Classica in the Palm Beaches
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RULES & COURSE INFORMATION

Chief Referee	Steve Rintoul	Advance Referee/s	Adam Helmer
Front Set-Up	Pete Lis	Back Set-Up	Bo Ream
TOUR Referees	Andrew Miller, Hal Geyer, Colin Murray and Daniela Lendl	TOUR Agronomist	Mike Crawford
Guest Referees	None	Admin/Scoring	Katie Louis, Zac Doyle
TV Analyst	Orlando Pope	Video Review	Tom Hearn
Potential Teeing Area Variety	Par 3s and #18		
Playoff Holes	18, 17, 17 repeated		
Course Par	71	Course Yardage	7223

GROUPINGS INFORMATION

Groupings Plan after Cut	Twosomes off 1 tee – approximately 7:50 a.m. to 1:50 p.m. (depending on cut size)
Other Information	Rounds 1 & 2 usually don't finish, but the reduced field of 123 (120 plus an extra group added with Brooks Koepka) we should be able to finish without any weather. Previous field was 144.

NOTABLE OR UNUSUAL LOCAL RULES (Notice to Players Attached)

New Model Local Rule for internal out of bounds being used “for strokes played from the teeing area” on all three traditional internal out of bounds holes at PGA National. Hole #10 was added in 2024 after using back pro tee again and converting to par 5.

Hole #4 – Left side of hole #4 is out of bounds for any stroke that must be made from the teeing area but is not out of bounds during other play of the hole.

Hole #10 – Right side of hole #10 is out of bounds for any stroke that must be made from the teeing area but is not out of bounds during other play of the hole.

Hole #18 – Left side of hole #18 is out of bounds for any stroke that must be made from the teeing area but is not out of bounds during other play of the hole.

AGRONOMY INFORMATION

COURSE DESIGN AND LEADERSHIP

Course Architect	George and Tom Fazio	Renovation (Architect/Year)	Jack Nicklaus (2002)
Superintendent	Keith Einweg	Head Professional	Randy Raimondi

GREENSHEET QUICK FACTS

Area	Grass Type	Mowing/Grass Height (Rd1)	Notes	
Greens	TifEagle Bermuda	.100"	Target Speed Rd 1:	12" to 12.5"
Fairways	Celebration Bermuda with Perennial Ryegrass Overseed	.325"	Frequency of Cut:	Daily
Intermediate Rough	Bermuda with Perennial Rye Overseed	1"	Frequency of Cut:	Daily
Primary Rough	Bermuda with Perennial Rye Overseed	2.75"	Frequency of Cut:	Last cut on Wednesday

NOTABLE COURSE MODIFICATIONS

Course Modifications/Enhancements	Hole #2 – enlarged professional tee and lengthened 20 yards for a total of 484 yards Hole #3 – Narrowing of the fairway to create a more consistent fairway width the entire driving area. Hole # 18 – new professional tee adding 36 yards for a total of 592 yards.
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Distribution: This form should be sent to Mark Dusbabek, Orlando Pope, Rich Pierson, GolfComms@pgatourhq.com and BroadcastProductionTeam@pgatourhq.com at approx. 2pm on Wednesday, once the Notice to Players has been finalized.