

THE 2024 SUNSHINE SENIOR TOUR QUALIFYING SCHOOL



Rules & Conditions of Entry & Participation

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1. **Dates:**

Thursday 25th & Friday 26th January 2024

2. **Eligibility for Entry:**

a) All male professional golfers who are 50 years of age on or before the 1st of September 2024.

b) All male amateur golfers who are 50 years of age on or before 1st September 2024, with an official handicap of three (3) or better.

c) It is not in itself a breach of the Rules of Amateur Status for an amateur golfer under the Jurisdiction of the R&A Rules Ltd to file an entry for and play in the Sunshine Senior Tour Qualifying School, providing that the player waives his right to the prize money prior to competing, by completing the appropriate forms available on site at the venue. An amateur golfer who fails to waive his right to prize money is in breach of the Rules, but if he is unsuccessful at the Qualifying School, he may apply for reinstatement as an amateur golfer.

d) Successful qualifiers will only be eligible to participate in Sunshine Senior Tour Tournaments on reaching 50 years of age.

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3. **Format & Schedule of Play:**

The tournament will be played over 36-holes, with no cut, at the Royal Johannesburg Golf Club, Johannesburg, South Africa (West Course).

4. **Exemptions:**

The following applicants are exempt to the Qualifying School Please see the Senior Tour exemption list for 2024, on the Senior Tour website.

- i. Categories 1-6 will apply.
 - ii. All professionals who enter must have had membership with a recognised professional organisation and comply with the eligibility of entry above. First time professionals who enter must attach recent performances as a competent golfer.
- b. If a touring professional, then proof of recent performance must be submitted to the Tournament Director as soon as possible before close of entries.
1. Players who finished outside the top 40 and those 31-40 on the final 2023 Sunshine Senior Tour Order of Merit. These players/members may improve their tournament entry status by entering the Qualifying School. This will enable them to improve their entry status, especially in the event of limited field sizes, and entries for certain smaller competitions. (Move from category 7b or worse to category 7a).
- c. A maximum field of 72 competitors will play 36 holes, 18 holes per day, after which only the top 10 players will be awarded full playing privileges, exempt to category 7a of the Sunshine Senior Tour ranking & exemption list. These players will be fully exempt in all 54-hole standard events that are not co-sanctioned. Players finishing in positions 11-15 will be awarded conditional cards for 2024 and be listed in category 7d.

5. **Entry Fees:**

All Applicants: R3,000. When considering entering the Sunshine Senior Tour Qualifying School it is vital that you have organised your payment method in advance as your entry will not be processed until the full payment of R3,000 has been received and banked.

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6. **Methods of Payment:**

Entry fees may be paid either by EFT or Cash deposit

Bank details: SA Senior Tour

Bank: ABSA, Account #: 331 015 0605

Once payment has been received, the Sunshine Senior Tour will issue a receipt/reference # to each applicant advising him of his entry.

7. **Entry Deadlines:**

The entry deadline for the 2024 Sunshine Senior Tour Qualifying School is Thursday 4th January 2024 at 18:00hrs (SA time)

8. **Withdrawals:**

All withdrawals must be notified to the Sunshine Senior Tour Entries Department. If a player withdraws prior to the closing date his entry fee will be refunded in full. If a player withdraws after the closing date, without competing, there will be no refund. (NB: There will be no exceptions).

If a player is absent on the tee without notification, NO refund will be given and he may face disciplinary action, subject to circumstances. Once an entrant has teed off, refund of entry is not possible under any circumstances.

9. **Notification of Acceptance of Entry:**

Once an application has been accepted (only after receipt of the relevant documentation and the full entry fee) applicants will be SMS'd or emailed a Confirmation of Entry.

Note: Applicants will not be allocated an entry until the full entry fee has been received. All entries must be sent with the relevant supporting documentation – failure to do so will result in the entry form being returned. The Sunshine Senior Tour is not responsible for the timely delivery of any Postal Service, and it is the applicant's responsibility to verify his status in the Qualifying Tournament.

10. **Sunshine Senior Tour Membership & Eligibility:**

Players finishing in positions 1-10 at the 2024 Senior Tour Qualifying School will be eligible for Regular Membership of the Sunshine Senior Tour. Players 1-10 will be included in Category 7a of the Sunshine Senior Tour exemption list for entries into standard scheduled 54-man events for the 2024 season, upon paying a further annual

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subscription fee of R2 000.00 by 28 February 2024.

In the event of a tie there will be a hole-by-hole play-off to determine the 1st and 10th positions, and other positions including positions 11-15 (conditional cards) will be done in accordance with the Players' Information Sheet.

Players finishing outside the top 10 will receive Sunshine Senior Tour Affiliate membership, upon payment of the category annual subscription fee of R5 000.00. Playing privileges for the 2024 season will be limited by way of the categories in the exemption list for tournaments, unless by special invitation. (max. 4 per annum)

11 **Travel & Accommodation:**

There are a number of hotels & B&Bs in the local area. For more information, contact the Senior Tour at +2776 599 5525.

12 **Information:**

The Sunshine Senior Tour reserves the right to change or amend the above format and schedule of play and to reject an application of entry at any time, without giving reason to do so. Conduct unbecoming a professional golfer or a non-competitive performance including the current or a previous Qualifying School can be a basis for the rejection of the application to enter. Sunshine Senior Tour reserves the right to remove said player from the competition, at any time.

13 **Prize Fund**

1st – R5,000

2nd – R4,000

3rd – R3,000

4th – R2,000

5th – 10th – R1,000 each

Any Prize Money won by foreign nationals will be subject to 25% South African withholding tax. In order to pay out any Prize Money, we will require a copy of your passport. Please include a copy of your passport (photograph page) with your entry form.

In the event of any problems with your entry or payments please contact the Entries Department: Email: entries@seniortour.co.za Telephone: +2782 490 4027.

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14 **Help & Advice:**

Before proceeding, please ensure you have the following to hand to complete your entry:

- a. For Amateur Entrants - an electronic copy of your handicap certificate.
- b. If a foreign national wishes to enter, an electronic copy of the photo page of your passport is required (you can either scan or take a photo of this).
- c. For Players who have not competed in the Sunshine Senior Tour Qualifying School previously - two letters of reference verifying that personal character and golf ability are of a nature to enable you to play the Sunshine Senior Tour competitively, along with documentation of competitiveness, i.e., Results of tournaments played in 2022/2023.
- d. Please remember that the onus is on the applicant to ensure that his application has been correctly submitted.

Need help or advice on how to enter?

- e. Contact: Sunshine Senior Tour or Pat Lowth, TD.
- f. Tel: +2782 490 4027 (PL)
- g. or Email: entries@seniortour.co.za or td@seniortour.co.za

Need help or advice on how to pay:

- h. Contact: Fiona Burger Financial Director
- i. Tel: + 2783 227 0840 or Email: fd@seniortour.co.za

**PLEASE COMPLETE THE ENTRY FORM BELOW & EMAIL IT TO
entries@seniortour.co.za ON OR BEFORE THE DEADLINE
DATE**

04th January 2024 @ 18:00hrs.

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

RETURN THIS PAGE

PLEASE PRINT

1. NAME.....
(First) (Middle) (Surname / Family Name)
2. How do you wish to be known in the draw?
.....
3. NATIONALITY (please specify)
4. ID #.....
5. CLUB/ATTACHMENT.....
6. MAILING ADDRESS
.....
7. TEL NO:
Home.....Mobile/Cell.....
8. EMAIL.....
9. DATE OF BIRTH..... (day) (month).....(year)
10. INFORMATION
 - a) Are you a professional? Or an amateur?
 - b) Amateur: Current Handicap Certificate enclosed?
 - c) Of which PGA/Tour are you a member?
(Copy of membership card attached)?
 - d) Have you played in the Senior Tour Qualifying School before? If so,
when?

If your answer to (d) above is NO, you MUST provide two letters of reference verifying that personal character and golf ability are of a nature to enable you to play the SA Senior Tour competitively, along with documentation of competitiveness, i.e., Results of tournaments played in 2022/2023.

Letters of reference must be from a Class A PGA professional or from a member of the Sunshine Tour or Senior Tour. Overseas applicants may use officials of recognised golfing authorities.

Applications to enter the 2024 SA Senior Tour Qualifying School without letters of reference and evidence of scores in 2022/2023 will not be accepted.

Amateur applicants who return forms without handicap certificates verifying that they meet the handicap requirements will have their entries returned. No exceptions.

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OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM **RETURN THESE TWO PAGES**

PAYMENT

Entry Fee: R3,000

I am paying by: Electronic Funds Transfer /Direct Deposit.

I am paying in: SA Rand

I, (Full name) the undersigned being an eligible person hereby agree to the Tournament Membership conditions of the SA Senior Tour/Sunshine Senior Tour.

1. I acknowledge the sole authority of the Executive Director, Chief Operating Officer, Tournament Director, Board of Directors & the Player's Committee of the SA Senior Tour/Sunshine Senior Tour to establish the Tournament Rules and conditions as published in the annual Member's General Regulations of the SA Senior Tour/Sunshine Senior Tour and agree to abide by these regulations and any amendments made to them from time to time.
2. I accept that any tournament, in which I participate, I will abide by the decisions of the Executive Director, Chief Operating Officer, Tournament Director, Board of Directors & the Player's Committee or any other authorised persons. I will conduct myself in accordance with the Code of Behaviour of the SA Senior Tour/Sunshine Senior Tour. I acknowledge that I am aware of the contents of the Rules and Regulations of the Company and that a copy will be supplied to me on request.
3. I hereby acknowledge that all television, radio, print, motion picture, electronic media rights, statistical data and all similar rights in all events forming part of the SA Senior Tour/Sunshine Senior Tour or any other event run in conjunction with, or under the auspices of the Company, are assigned to the Company and I hereby agree to assign any such rights to the Company to the extent that any such rights may vest with me personally. I agree to refrain from any action, which will interfere with the Company's ownership rights hereunder. I acknowledge that the Company is hereby authorised to broadcast, display, publish or otherwise exhibit all or any proceedings at any tournament including all happenings or events relating thereto.

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Signature

Date.....

**Please send completed entry form, payment, and all relevant documentation
to:**

Tournament Director
Pat Lowth
Tel: +2782 490 4027
Email: entries@seniortour.co.za

**ENTRY DEADLINE – Thursday 04th January 2024 @
18:00 hours.**