



ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR THE U.S. AMATEUR PUBLIC LINKS CHAMPIONSHIP?

Eligibility Rule: Entries are open to amateur golfers who since January 1 of the current year have been bona fide public course players with an up to date men’s Handicap Index® not exceeding 4.4 under the “USGA Handicap System” and have not held privileges of any course which does not extend playing privileges to the general public.

Exceptions: A bona fide public player may hold incidental privileges of a course not open to the public when such privileges are provided by:

- An educational institution at which he is a student; this includes members of a golf team when privileges are awarded at private facilities, to the entire team on an equal basis, and are only available during the traditional school year/competitive golf season (including post season play which may include Conference, State and National Championships); or
- A federal armed service of which he is either an active or retired member; or
- An industry by which he is employed or from which he is retired and said private course is owned by the employer.

The following eligibility questions serve as a guideline for players applying to enter the U.S. Amateur Public Links Championship. The following does not replace the formal Eligibility Rule and Interpretations of Eligibility as outlined on the official application for entry.

Please respond to all of the following:

YES NO	1. <i>USGA Handicap Index</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, have you maintained a USGA Handicap Index at a private course?
YES NO	2. <i>Private Course Access</i> - Since January 1 of 2010, outside of the above listed exceptions, have you held membership or privileges at a private course not open to the general public every day and you are not an employee or caddie of said course? (For employees and caddies: see question 4.)
YES NO	3. <i>Private Course Access</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, outside of the above listed exceptions, have you held membership or privileges at a private course which allows public play, but limits the number of times an individual can play each year and you are not an employee or caddie of said course?
YES NO	4. <i>Employees & Caddies</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, as a direct benefit/result of your employment or retirement, were you permitted to play golf at a private course which is owned by your employer more than one day per week?
YES NO	5. <i>Social Memberships</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, have you held a social membership at a private course that allows you to play the course sometime during the year?
YES NO	6. <i>Dependents and Spouses of Members</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, has your spouse, parent or guardian held membership at a private course which grants playing privileges to family members?
YES NO	7. <i>Resort Courses</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, have you held membership or privileges at a resort that restricts which days resort guests can play?
YES NO	8. <i>Scholastic Golf Team Members</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, if you have been, or are currently a member of a scholastic golf team, were you allowed to play a private course not owned by the school at times other than the traditional golf season/school year including playoffs and championships? (i.e. the traditional out of school summer months)
YES NO	9. <i>University, Military or Corporate Owned Course</i> – Since January 1 of 2010, have you held privileges more than one day per week at a private university, military or corporately owned course and you are not a respective student, military personnel or employee of the corporation which owns the course.

If you answered “YES” to any of the previous, you are NOT ELIGIBLE for this year’s Public Links Championship: Please contact the USGA Championship Administration Department if you need further clarification. 908-234-2300