

# **Falcon Wealth Advisors Tour FAQ'S**

## **What is the Falcon Wealth Advisors Tour?**

The [Falcon Wealth Advisors](#) Tour (FWA Tour) was formerly known as the StateLine Amateur Tour. Jake Falcon, a tour member, and Falcon Wealth Advisors are the title sponsors of the tour.

## **What are the eligibility requirements to play on the FWA Tour?**

A player must be a member of the FWA Tour and pay the \$50 membership fee. Click [HERE](#) to register for membership.

A FWA Tour member must have an active USGA Handicap ID number with a Central Links Golf member club or through our e-club membership. Click [HERE](#) for e-club membership.

A FWA Tour member must be an amateur golfer.

A FWA Tour member must be at least 18 years old on the day of the event.

## **What fees are involved with the FWA Tour and what do they include?**

Membership for the tour is \$50, and each individual event is \$95.

The \$95 event fee includes the round of golf, cart fees and driving range usage. Prizes are also awarded out of this entry fee. Players may walk but are encouraged to ride in the cart to help with pace of play. Food and beverage are covered separately by the player.

## **When can I register for the Falcon Wealth Advisors Tour?**

Registration for membership will open on March 4, 2024. Individual event registration opens March 5, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. CST. Registration for both membership and events will remain open for the duration of the season and you may register at your convenience.

## **What is the waitlist procedure for FWA Tour events?**

With the large number of players developing during the COVID pandemic, FWA Tour membership has grown quickly. Each facility will have a finite number of players based on many factors such as cart fleet size, maintenance practices and course availability. Generally speaking, a maximum number varies from course to course, but will be in the range of 80-120 players. If a player is waitlisted, they will NOT BE CHARGED unless they play in the event. The waitlist will be populated on a first come, first-served basis. Players will be added to the field in that order, regardless of division.

## **When is the deadline for signing up for an event?**

The deadline for registration is always one week before the event at 11:59 p.m. For example, if the event is scheduled for Monday, May 20, the deadline for registering for that event is Monday, May 13 at 11:59 p.m.

## **When do I play the day of an event?**

Pairings and starting times will be emailed to players 5 days before the event and will also be available online.

Starting times are every 10 minutes in groups of three and are generally in the following order by division: *Legends, Super Senior, Senior, Open, Players*. Pairings within a division are determined randomly.

## **Are there handicap requirements for the FWA Tour and what are the divisions?**

A player must have a handicap index of 18.2 or lower to play in FWA Tour events. If a player has an index that exceeds 18.2, that player may still play, but the index will be reduced to 18.2. Please contact Sam Parrott if your index exceeds 18.2 and wish to play on the FWA Tour.

The ***Open Division*** is a gross only competition for the better players. The maximum handicap index is 3.0. The Open division generally plays a golf course at 6600 to 7200 yards.

The ***Senior Division*** is a gross only competition for the better players who are 50 years or older on the day of the event. The maximum handicap index is 8.0. The Senior Division generally plays a golf course at 6000 to 6700 yards.

The ***Players Division*** is a gross and net competition for players whose handicap index is between 1.0 and 18.2. The Players Division generally plays a golf course at 6000 to 6700 yards.

The ***Super Senior Division*** is a gross and net competition for players who are 60 years or older on the day of the event. The maximum handicap index is 18.2. The Super Senior Division generally plays a golf course at 5000 to 5900 yards.

The ***Legends Division*** is a gross and net competition for players who are 70 years or older on the day of the event. The maximum handicap index is 18.2. The Legends Division generally plays a golf course at 5000 to 5900 yards.

## **What is a handicap index used for in a FWA Tour event?**

With the World Handicap System (WHS) updating a player's index daily, the FWA Tour will utilize the index for each player the *day of the event*. Scorecards will not have handicaps printed on them and players should check electronic scoreboards or the Central Links Website scoring to ensure the index used is accurate.

## **Do women play on the FWA Tour?**

Yes. Women compete in the same division as the men based on the above requirements and play from a forward set of tees.

## **What do FWA Tour players compete for?**

Gift certificates, which are redeemable at any Central Links Golf member club, are awarded within each division to the top players. The amount and number of players awarded is based upon the number of players in each division per event. The winner of each division will receive \$125 in merchandise and all ties are split. A player in the Players, Super Senior or Legends division may only win one award (Gross or Net, but not both) per event and will be paid the highest value. Gift certificates are sent through email, directly to the player, the day after the event. The email sent is the gift certificate itself. To redeem, print or show the member club your gift certificate so they can collect the information and CLG will reimburse them directly.

Gift certificates will only be awarded within the Super Senior and Legends divisions if a minimum of 6 players in each division play in the event for that day. If one or both divisions have less than 6 players, the two divisions will be combined to award certificates for the one combined division that day. Player of the year points will still be awarded for performance within the individual divisions.

Players in each division are also competing for points toward the Falcon Wealth Advisors Tour Player of the Year (POY). The POY in each division will receive a trophy at the year ending Tour Championship.

FWA Tour points in the Open and Senior Divisions are also awarded to The Watson Challenge Points List as well as KC Amateur, Mid-Amateur, Senior Amateur, Super Senior Amateur and Legends Player of the Year Points Lists.

## **Is a practice round included in a FWA Tour event entry?**

No. However, individual facilities on their own may offer a practice round. Please contact the facility directly to see if they choose to offer a practice round to FWA Tour members.

## **What are the rules of play for a FWA Tour event?**

FWA Tour events are conducted by the 2024 Rules of Golf published by the USGA and R&A. The Central Links Golf [Terms of the Competition](#) (Hard Card) apply for all events and any Local Rules of the host facility are NOT in effect. The [Code of Conduct](#) and [Pace of Play](#) policies are in place and available to all players on the first tee. Central Links Staff and Rules Officials will be onsite to decide any and all situations involving the Rules of Golf. The Chief Rules Official (CRO) of all tour events is Sam Parrott and he will have the final decision on all Rules situations.

## **Are caddies and/or spectators allowed at FWA Tour events?**

Caddies are NOT ALLOWED at FWA Tour events. Spectators are allowed to follow players as well as ride in the cart IF A SEAT IS AVAILABLE. Spectators may follow along and walk at any time. All Central Links Golf events, including FWA Tour events, have a **strict 2 golf cart per group policy**. No exceptions will be made, even if all 3 players in a group have a spectator following.

## **What are the eligibility requirements for the FWA Tour Championship?**

Eligibility for the year-ending, one-day FWA Tour Championship is based on Player of the Year points in each division. The Tour Championship breakdown is listed below:

**Open Division:** Top 9 gross players

**Senior Division:** Top 9 gross players

**Players Division:** Top 27 gross players \*

**Super Senior Division:** Top 6 gross players \*

**Legends Division:** Top 6 gross players \*

**\*NOTE:** The top 3 NET players will be included, only if they are not already in the field via the gross POY points list.

### **Other notes for FWA Tour events:**

- The maximum score allowed per hole is 9 (Rule 21.2)
- All event scores will be posted to the GHIN system by Central Links Golf
- Players compete in groups of 3 within their division, unless an odd number of players in a division exists, in which case it may be a group of two or divisions may be mixed in a pairing.
- Pairings for each individual event are published on the Central Links website and emailed to players usually five days before the event.

Any questions concerning the Falcon Wealth Advisors Tour may be directed to Sam Parrott ([sam@clgolf.org](mailto:sam@clgolf.org)).