## **USGA Media Center**

OAKMONT, Pa. (June 13, 2016) – The United States Golf Association (USGA) today announced that one additional player has earned a full exemption into the 116th U.S. Open Championship, to be contested June 16-19 at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club, bringing the number of fully exempt players to 76. Additionally, five alternates from sectional qualifying were added to complete the 156-player field.

William McGirt earned an exemption based on the current Official World Golf Ranking (OWGR). McGirt, who is No. 45 in the OWGR, is playing in his first U.S. Open. The 36-year-old from Boiling Springs, S.C., won the Memorial Tournament on June 5 when he defeated Jon Curran on the second playoff hole. McGirt, who has three other top-10 finishes on the PGA Tour this season, advanced to match play at the 2003 U.S. Amateur, held at Oakmont Country Club.

The USGA held six spots in the field for those players who could potentially qualify by moving into the top 60 of the OWGR, as of June 13. Since McGirt was the only player to earn an exemption, five alternates from sectional qualifying were added to the field. They are Zach Edmondson, Tony Finau, Kevin Foley, Daniel Summerhays and Mike Van Sickle.

Edmondson, 25, of Cary, N.C., was the first alternate from the Jacksonville, Fla., sectional. He will play in his first U.S. Open. Edmondson played as a collegian at East Carolina University and competes on PGA Tour Canada's Mackenzie Tour.

Finau, 26, of Lehi, Utah, was the first alternate from the Springfield, Ohio, sectional. He is competing in his second U.S. Open after tying for 14th with a 72-hole score 1-over-par 282 at Chambers Bay last year. Finau won the 2016 Puerto Rico Open, his first PGA Tour victory, by defeating Steve Marino with a birdie on the third playoff hole.

Foley, 29, of Somerville, N.J., is competing in his first U.S. Open. He was the first alternate from the Summit, N.J., sectional. Foley, who is one of 27 players who advanced to this year's U.S. Open through both local and sectional qualifying, won the 2013 Panama Claro Championship on the Web.com Tour. He played at Penn State University and won the 2009 Sunnehanna Amateur.

Summerhays is playing in his third U.S. Open, with his best finish a tie for 27th last year at Chambers Bay. He was the first alternate from the Powell, Ohio, sectional qualifier. The 32-year-old from Fruit Heights, Utah, has played in 18 PGA Tour events and recorded seven top-25 finishes this season. Summerhays played Tony Finau in the final of the 2006 Utah Amateur, falling to Finau by a 3-and-2 margin.

Van Sickle, 29, of Pittsburgh, Pa., was the first alternate from the Rockville, Md., sectional qualifier. He is playing in his first U.S. Open. Van Sickle, a three-time All-America selection at Marquette University, won the 2007 Pennsylvania State Amateur and Pennsylvania State Open in 2007 and 2008.

There were 111 U.S. Open local qualifying sites that led to 12 sectional qualifiers, including international sites in Japan and England. Sectional qualifying in the United States took place at 10 sites on June 6. The USGA accepted 9,877 entries by the deadline of April 27, the third-highest total ever in championship history

A list of the 76 golfers fully exempt into the 2016 U.S. Open is below.

## 2016 U.S. Open Exemption List (as of June 13):

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a-Derek Bard	2
Daniel Berger	12, 13
Steven Bowditch	12
Keegan Bradley	7
Angel Cabrera	1
Rafael Cabrera Bello	13
Paul Casey	12, 13
Kevin Chappell	13
Jason Day	7, 8, 11, 12, 13
Jamie Donaldson	13
Jason Dufner	7
Ernie Els	6
Harris English	12
Matthew Fitzpatrick	13
Rickie Fowler	8, 12, 13
Jim Furyk	12, 13
Sergio Garcia	13
Lucas Glover	1
Branden Grace	11, 13
Emiliano Grillo	13
Retief Goosen	15
Bill Haas	12, 13
James Hahn	13
Charley Hoffman	12, 13
J.B. Holmes	12, 13
Billy Horschel	13
Dustin Johnson	11, 12, 13
Zach Johnson	6, 12, 13
Smylie Kaufman	13
Martin Kaymer	1, 8, 13
K.T. Kim	13

Chris Kirk	13
Kevin Kisner	12, 13
Patton Kizzire	13
Soren Kjeldsen	13
Russell Knox	13
Brooks Koepka	12, 13
Matt Kuchar	12, 13
Anirban Lahiri	13
Danny Lee	12, 13
Marc Leishman	13
David Lingmerth	13
Shane Lowry	11, 13
Jeff Maggert	10
Hideki Matsuyama	12, 13
Graeme McDowell	1
William McGirt	14
Rory McIlroy	1, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13
Phil Mickelson	6, 13
Ryan Moore	13
Kevin Na	12, 13
Geoff Ogilvy	1
Louis Oosthuizen	11, 12, 13
Scott Piercy	12, 13
a-Jon Rahm	4
Patrick Reed	12, 13
Justin Rose	1, 12, 13
Charl Schwartzel	11, 13
Adam Scott	5, 11, 13
Webb Simpson	1
Cameron Smith	11
Brandt Snedeker	11, 12, 13

Jordan Spieth	1, 5, 11, 12, 13
Henrik Stenson	12, 13
Robert Streb	12
Andy Sullivan	13
Justin Thomas	13
Jaco Van Zyl	13
Jimmy Walker	12, 13
Bubba Watson	5, 12, 13
Lee Westwood	13
Bernd Wiesberger	13
Danny Willett	5, 13
Chris Wood	13
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## Key to Player Exemptions:

- Winners of the U.S. Open Championship the last 10 years (2006-15)
- Winner and runner-up of the 2015 U.S. Amateur Championship (must be an amateur)
- Winner of the 2015 Amateur Championship, conducted by The R&A (must be an amateur)
- Winner of the 2015 Mark H. McCormack Medal (top-ranked in WAGR & must be an amateur)
- Winners of the Masters Tournament the last five years (2012-16)
- Winners of The Open Championship, conducted by the R&A, the last five years (2011-15)
- Winners of The PGA of America Championship the last five years (2011-15)
- Winners of The Players Championship the last three years (2014-16)
- Winner of the 2016 European Tour BMW PGA Championship
- Winner of the 2015 U.S. Senior Open Championship
- From the 2015 U.S. Open Championship, the 10 lowest scorers and anyone tying for 10th place
- Those players who qualified for the season-ending 2015 Tour Championship
- Top 60 point leaders and ties from the current World Ranking as of May 23, 2016
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- Special exemptions selected by the USGA

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