

LIBERTY CORNER, N.J. (Feb. 9, 2026) – Local and final qualifying sites for the 126th U.S. Open Championship at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club, in Southampton, N.Y., have been announced by the USGA. The championship proper will be contested from June 18-21.

Local qualifying, conducted over 18 holes at 110 sites in 46 U.S. states, Canada and Mexico, will take place between April 20-May 18. Those advancing players will join a group of locally exempt competitors in final qualifying, which will be conducted over 36 holes at 13 sites. Final qualifying will be held in England (May 18), Japan (May 25) and Canada (June 8) as well as 10 U.S. sites, one on May 18 and the remaining nine on June 8, known across the industry as “Golf’s Longest Day,” which will receive ten hours of coverage on Golf Channel.

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Online player registration for the 2026 U.S. Open will begin on Wednesday, Feb. 18, at 9 a.m. ET and continue through Wednesday, April 8, at 5 p.m. ET. Competitors can register at champs.usga.org.

The USGA accepted a record 10,202 entries for the 2025 U.S. Open at Oakmont (Pa.) Country Club, which marked the fourth time in championship history that the number of entries exceeded 10,000. The previous record was established in 2023 when 10,187 entries were accepted for the championship at The Los Angeles (Calif.) Country Club.

To be eligible, one must be an amateur with a Handicap Index® not exceeding 0.4 or be a professional. California leads the way with 14 local qualifying sites, followed by Florida with 13.

Illini Country Club, in Springfield, Ill., will hold a U.S. Open local qualifier for the 47th consecutive year in which qualifying has been conducted, and the 52nd time since 1973. Riverton (Wyo.) Country Club and Ironwood Country Club, in Palm Desert, Calif., will each host local qualifying for the 28th time. Collindale Golf Course, in Fort Collins, Colo., has been a host site since 2003.

River Landing, in Wallace, N.C., has been a regular local qualifying spot for three decades, hosting from 1998-2006 and from 2008 to the present. The Country Club of Sioux Falls (S.D.) has hosted local qualifying for the past 12 years and 17 of the last 20 years. Southampton Golf Club, adjacent to Shinnecock Hills, is hosting a local qualifier for the first time since 2022.

Woodmont Country Club, in Rockville, Md., will be a final qualifying site for the 39th time in the last 41 years, with its North Course exclusively being used for the 12th consecutive time. Springfield (Ohio) Country Club will host final qualifying for the 17th time. Century Country Club, in Purchase, N.Y., is hosting final qualifying for the 22nd time since 1970 and is paired with the Country Club of Purchase (N.Y.) for the first time. Old Oaks Country Club served as co-host the previous 22 times. The Lakes Golf & Country Club, in Westerville, Ohio, is hosting final qualifying for the 16th time since 1999.

Walton Heath Golf Club, in England, was a site when international qualifying began in 2005. The Old and New Courses will host final qualifying for the 19th time. For the second consecutive year, Lambton Golf & Country Club, in Canada’s

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Ontario province, will host a final qualifier ahead of the PGA Tour's RBC Canadian Open. Hino Golf Club, is a final qualifying site in Japan for the second time in the last three years.

Several players who made it through final qualifying finished in the top 25 at the 125th U.S. Open at Oakmont, including Carlos Ortiz, of Mexico, who finished in a tie for fourth and is exempt into this year's championship. Ortiz made his fifth U.S. Open start in 2025 after posting 8-under 134 in the Dallas final qualifier.

Other players who made it through final qualifying who finished in the top 25 at Oakmont include Rasmus Neergaard-Petersen, Victor Perez, Emiliano Grillo, Chris Gotterup and Matt Wallace. Gotterup, now a four-time PGA Tour winner, is exempt into the field for 2026.

Ken Venturi (1964) and Orville Moody (1969) are the only players to win the U.S. Open after advancing through both qualifying stages. Gene Littler (1961), Julius Boros (1963), Jerry Pate (1976), Steve Jones (1996), Michael Campbell (2005) and Lucas Glover (2009) won after advancing through final qualifying. Campbell, of New Zealand, won in the first year the USGA introduced international qualifying.

Several U.S. Open champions have advanced to the championship through both local and final qualifying at some point in their careers, including Glover (2009), David Graham (1981), Lou Graham (1975), Hale Irwin (1974, 1979, 1990), Tony Jacklin (1970), Lee Janzen (1993, 1998), Tom Kite (1982), Johnny Miller (1973), Corey Pavin (1995), J.J. Spaun (2025), Curtis Strange (1988, 1989), Lee Trevino (1968, 1971), Gary Woodland (2019) and Fuzzy Zoeller (1984).

Past U.S. Opens contested at Shinnecock Hills include the second U.S. Open in 1896, when James Foulis outlasted defending champion Horace Rawlins by three strokes, and the 100th U.S. Open in 1995, won by Corey Pavin over Greg Norman by two strokes.

Shinnecock Hills also hosted the U.S. Open in 1986, when Raymond Floyd broke away from Chip Beck and Lanny Wadkins to win by two strokes, and in 2004, when Retief Goosen captured his second U.S. Open, defeating Phil Mickelson by two. Brooks Koepka successfully defended his U.S. Open title in 2018 at Shinnecock Hills, holding off Tommy Fleetwood by a stroke.

Shinnecock Hills Golf Club is the only course to host the national championship in three different centuries.

In 1894, Shinnecock Hills was one of the founding clubs of the USGA along with The Country Club, in Brookline, Mass., Newport (R.I.) Country Club, Chicago (Ill.) Golf Club and Saint Andrew's Golf Club, in Hastings-on-Hudson, N.Y. It is also the home of the first clubhouse in the United States, designed by Stanford White and opened in 1892.

2026 U.S. Open Championship Local Qualifying Sites (110)

Monday, April 20 (8)

Oro Valley (Ariz.) Country Club

Del Rio Country Club, Modesto, Calif.

Wichita Falls (Texas) Country Club

The Territory Golf and Country Club, Duncan, Okla.

Solina Golf Club, West Columbia, S.C.

Druid Hills Golf Club, Atlanta, Ga.

Eastpointe Country Club (East Course), Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Persimmon Ridge Golf Club, Louisville, Ky.

Tuesday, April 21 (2)

Woodland Golf Club, Auburndale, Mass.

The Club at Nevillewood, Presto, Pa.

Wednesday, April 22 (2)

Club de Golf La Hacienda, Mexico City, Mexico

Stonewall Orchard Golf Club, Grayslake, Ill.

Monday, April 27 (10)

Parkersburg Country Club, Vienna, W.V.

Ridgewood Country Club, Waco, Texas

Barton Creek Country Club at Lakeside, Spicewood, Texas

Medford Village (N.J.) Country Club

Rams Hill Golf Club, Borrego Springs, Calif.

Four Bridges Country Club, Liberty Township, Ohio

Fairmont Country Club, Chatham, N.J.

Crooked Stick Golf Club, Carmel, Ind.

Hidden Valley Country Club, Reno, Nev.

The Club at Carlton Woods (Nicklaus Course), The Woodlands, Texas

Tuesday, April 28 (5)

Pearl at Kalauao, Aiea, Oahu, Hawai'i

Findlay (Ohio) Country Club

Southampton (N.Y.) Golf Club

Eagle Trace Golf Club, Coral Springs, Fla.

Innisbrook Resort (Copperhead Course), Palm Harbor, Fla.

Thursday, April 30 (5)

Kings Country Club, Hanford, Calif.

La Purisima Golf Course, Lompoc, Calif.

Wailua Golf Club, Lihue, Hawai'i

Country Club of York (Pa.)

The Home Course, DuPont, Wash.

Monday, May 4 (18)

The Plantation at Ponte Vedra Beach (Fla.)

Lake Nona (Fla.) Golf & Country Club

Avila Golf & Country Club, Tampa, Fla.

North Oaks (Minn.) Golf Club

Cedar Rapids (Iowa) Country Club

Brentwood Country Club, Los Angeles, Calif.

Indian Ridge Country Club (Grove Course), Palm Desert, Calif.

Ak-Chin Southern Dunes Golf Club, Maricopa, Ariz.

Plum Hollow Country Club, Southfield, Mich.

Illini Country Club, Springfield, Ill.

North Shore Country Club (Red & White Courses), Glenwood Landing, N.Y.

Raven Golf Club at Sandestin (Fla.)

Secession Golf Club, Beaufort, S.C.

Stonebrae Country Club, Hayward, Calif.

Morris Park Country Club, South Bend, Ind.

Crestview Country Club (North Course), Wichita, Kan.

The Country Club of Sioux Falls (S.D.)

Chester Valley Golf Club, Malvern, Pa.

Tuesday, May 5 (10)

Walnut Creek Golf Preserve, Westminster, Colo.

Great River Golf Club, Milford, Conn.

Hot Springs Country Club (Arlington Course), Hot Springs, Ark.

Ruby Hill Golf Club, Pleasanton, Calif.

WingHaven Country Club, St. Louis, Mo.

Andalusia Country Club, La Quinta, Calif.

Collindale Golf Course, Fort Collins, Colo.

North Shore Country Club (Red & White), Mequon, Wis.

Red Hawk Golf Club, Las Cruces, N.M.

The Country Club, Morristown, Tenn.

Wednesday, May 6 (6)

Plantation Bay Country Club (Founders – North/South), Ormond Beach, Fla.

Moorings at Hawk's Nest, Vero Beach, Fla.

Turf Valley Resort (Original Course), Ellicott City, Md.

Omaha (Neb.) Country Club

Pasatiempo Golf Club, Santa Cruz, Calif.

River Landing, Wallace, N.C.

Thursday, May 7 (4)

Robert Trent Jones Golf Trail at Silver Lakes (Backbreaker/Heartbreaker), Gadsden, Ala.

Rancho La Quinta Country Club (Jones Course), La Quinta, Calif.

Thorncreek Golf Course, Thornton, Colo.

Riverton (Wyo.) Country Club

Monday, May 11 (24)

St. Thomas (Ontario, Canada) Golf & Country Club

The Club at P.B. Dye, Ijamsville, Md.

Canongate-on-White-Oak (Old Course), Newnan, Ga.

Phoenix (Ariz.) Country Club

Marsh Creek Country Club, St. Augustine, Fla.

Shingle Creek Golf Club, Orlando, Fla.

Vineyards Country Club (North Course), Naples, Fla.

The Club at Sonterra (North Course), San Antonio, Texas

Classic Club, Palm Desert, Calif.

The Links at Greystone, Walworth, N.Y.

Duke University Golf Club, Durham, N.C.

Battle Creek (Mich.) Country Club

Fairview Country Club, Greenwich, Conn.

Metropolis Country Club, White Plains, N.Y.

Elmhurst Country Club, Moscow, Pa.

Mendakota Country Club, Mendota Heights, Minn.

Willow Creek Country Club, Sandy, Utah

Scioto Reserve Country Club, Powell, Ohio

Hallbrook Country Club, Leawood, Kan.

Flossmoor (Ill.) Golf Club

Nashville Golf & Athletic Club, Brentwood, Tenn.

Papago Golf Course, Phoenix, Ariz.

Creekside Golf Club, Salem, Ore.

Shaker Ridge Country Club, Albany, N.Y.

Tuesday, May 12 (11)

Weymouth Country Club, Medina, Ohio

Keswick (Va.) Golf Club

Ironwood Country Club (South Course), Palm Desert, Calif.

Arroyo Trabuco Golf Club, Mission Viejo, Calif.

Missoula (Mont.) Country Club

The Cardinal by Pete Dye, Greensboro, N.C.

Meadow Springs Country Club, Richland, Wa.

Hackberry Creek Country Club, Irving, Texas

UNM Championship Golf Course, Albuquerque, N.M.

Berkshire Hills Country Club, Pittsfield, Mass.

Kirkbrae Country Club, Lincoln, R.I.

Wednesday, May 13 (4)

Kensington Golf & Country Club, Naples, Fla.

Mallard Golf Club, Lake Charles, La.

Warm Springs Golf Course, Boise, Idaho

Casablanca Golf Club, Mesquite, Nev.

Monday, May 18 (1)

Palmer (Alaska) Golf Course

2026 U.S. Open Championship Final Qualifying Sites (13)

Monday, May 18 (2)

Dallas (Texas) Athletic Club (Blue/Gold)

Walton Heath Golf Club, Surrey, England

Monday, May 25 (1)

Hino Golf Club (King Course), Shiga Prefecture, Japan

Monday, June 8 (10)

Hawks Ridge Golf Club, Ball Ground, Ga.

Lambton Golf & Country Club, Toronto, Ontario, Canada

The Lakes Golf & Country Club, Westerville, Ohio

Woodmont Country Club (North Course), Rockville, Md.

BallenIsles Country Club (East Course), Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.

Century Country Club, Purchase, N.Y. & Golf Club of Purchase (N.Y.)

Gaston Country Club, Gastonia, N.C.

Del Paso Country Club, Sacramento, Calif.

Springfield (Ohio) Country Club

Emerald Valley Golf Club, Creswell, Ore.

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