



Inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship
 Chicago Golf Club | Wheaton, IL | July 9 -15, 2018
 Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in volunteering for the 2018 U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship! Please read the following information carefully, prior to completing your volunteer application. Incomplete applications may not be accepted.

Chicago Golf Club will host the Inaugural U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship from July 9–15, 2018. Approximately 1,000 dedicated individuals comprise the Volunteer Program for the 2018 U.S. Senior Women's Open! It is our goal to provide each volunteer with a unique and exciting experience during the championship. Should you have any questions regarding the application, please contact the Championship Office at 908.396.1553 or usseniorwomensopen@usga.org.

All volunteers for the 2018 U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship will volunteer for a minimum of four (4) shifts with each shift lasting between five (5) to six (6) hours, and will be responsible for arriving at their assigned positions on time, without the use of cart transportation. Volunteers will not be paid wages or compensated in any other manner in exchange for their volunteer activities. Volunteers will be required to purchase the Volunteer Apparel Package for \$85. As part of the Volunteer Package, volunteers will receive apparel pieces specifically designed for the 2018 U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship, a credential valid for all seven (7) days of the championship and a meal voucher for each assigned shift. The Volunteer Package will consist of one (1) golf shirt, a piece of headwear, a pin and a water bottle. You may either submit your payment for the Volunteer Package with your application or choose to pay at a later date. If you choose to pay later, a separate invoice will be sent to you after you are approved as a volunteer.

You can fill out the application online at https://www.cuetoems.com/usswo_2018/Volunteer.aspx or by completing this form in its entirety and return it to the attention of the 2018 U.S. Senior Women's Open Championship Office, 25W253 Warrenville Road, Wheaton, IL 60189 as soon as possible. Volunteer opportunities are largely granted on a first-come, first-served basis. The Championship Office will notify you if you have been selected as a volunteer. Please note, volunteers may be subject to a criminal history background check and/or a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) driving record check based on committee assignment.

I. **General Information** - Print clearly and fill out the ENTIRE application. Incomplete applications may not be accepted.

MR. or MS. First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____
 (Circle One)

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Shipping Address: _____

(If different from Mailing Address—Post Office Boxes are NOT an acceptable shipping address)

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Country: _____

Home Phone:(____) _____ - _____ Cellphone:(____) _____ - _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
 (MM/DD/YEAR)

Email Address: _____

(Please PRINT your email address clearly)

_____ I am a Member of the USGA. Please indicate membership number: _____

_____ I am a member of a local golf and/or country club or organization. Please provide the club or organization name:

1. Will you be 18 years of age or older by July 9, 2018? YES or NO

*Note: If not, application must be signed by a parent or guardian in Section VI and submitted via hard copy, not online.

2. Do you have a valid driver's license? YES or NO

II. **Volunteer Apparel Information** - Please circle the appropriate sizes below. The Volunteer Apparel Package will consist of one (1) golf shirt and one (1) piece of headwear. Headwear is one size fits all. Men and women may wear their own khaki pants, or shorts if it is extremely hot. Women may also wear khaki skorts or skirts of appropriate length. You will be able to change your volunteer apparel if necessary at a later date. **Apparel pieces will be provided by Cutter & Buck**

Men's Golf Shirt: S M L XL XXL XXXL

Women's Golf Shirt: S M L XL XXL

Headwear: Baseball Hat Men's Visor Women's Visor

III. **Committee Descriptions** - For more detailed descriptions, including physical requirements, please email usseniorwomensopen@usga.org.

Admissions & Information Services: The Admissions and Information Services Committee makes sure all visitors who wish to enter the Championship grounds have a valid ticket or credential and are provided with clear and precise information regarding the Championship and the greater Chicago area.

Caddie Services: The Caddie Services Committee will guide caddies through the registration process and provide caddies with needed information and equipment for the championship.

Corporate Hospitality: The Corporate Hospitality Committee assists with the management and operation of all corporate hospitality facilities including clubhouse and on course offerings. The committee also ensures corporate clients and their guests are provided a positive and enjoyable experience.

Disabled Services: The Disabled Services Committee assists spectators by providing special on-course transportation to and from the drop-off areas and ADA viewing locations. Must possess a valid driver's license.

Leaderboards: The Leaderboards Committee staffs all the championship Leaderboards and Thruboards as well as posts all scores and information according to the USGA Scoring Terminal.

Marshals: (walking and stationary): The Marshals Committee is responsible for managing the movement of both players and fans throughout the championship grounds. As a Marshal volunteer, you will be responsible for promoting physical safety and fair play while maintaining an enjoyable environment for fans of the championship. As part of the "player group", Walking Marshals will be responsible for walking ahead of the players to ensure that the landing zones are kept clear from fans. Stationary Marshals on the other hand will be positioned at hazards or other critical areas and work with the Walking Marshals to ensure their areas are being properly managed as player groups make their way through each hole. As a Marshal volunteer you will be required to walk to your assigned hole at the start of each shift. In addition, depending on your responsibility that day, you may be required to stand in a specific location for the entirety of your 4-6 hour shift or walk all 18 holes as a forward marshals with a player group.

Merchandise: The Merchandise Committee will be responsible for management of all aspects of the merchandise pavilion operation in support of the USGA staff and vendors. The committee members will provide retail assistance in the merchandise pavilion as well as in the secondary merchandise location. This includes but is not limited to baggers, cashiers, customer service representatives, stockers, greeters, and entrance and exit monitors.

On-Course Distribution: The On-Course Distribution Committee ensures that all persons entering the Championship grounds have access to publications such as pairing sheets, newspapers and other printed documents. In addition to the documents, this committee will be responsible for managing the on-course water supply for players as well as water levels for other facilities such as Volunteer Services. May be required to lift heavy objects (up to 50 pounds).

Player Services: The Player Services Committee assists with the management of the player hospitality areas and serves as an information resource for players and families.

Practice Areas: The Practice Areas committee will oversee the management of the practice driving range, short game area and putting green.

Standard Bearers (Ages 14 through 21 ONLY): The Standard Bearers Committee manages the Standard Bearer operations. Each Standard Bearer is responsible for carrying a scoring sign (standard) with each group of player's during the Championship that shows each player's score in relation to par. Will be required to walk 18 holes.

Volunteer Services: The Volunteer Services Committee manages Volunteer Headquarters, providing information, meals, drinks, and snacks to the volunteers. They will be expected to have knowledge of Wheaton, IL and the surrounding area (i.e. restaurants, activities, course layout).

Walking Scorers: The Walking Scorers Committee provides accurate shot-by-shot and hole-by-hole information for each player and enters scores into a handheld computer terminal. They will also assist with scorecard verification. They will also work with the standard bearer to make sure the scoring sign (standard) is accurate for each player's score of the respective pairing. Ability to navigate 18 holes and follow players on foot is required. Walking Scorers will be required to attend mandatory onsite training on Tuesday afternoon AND Wednesday morning of Championship week. Volunteers will be asked to work shifts for both Round 1 and Round 2 and will be assigned for the weekend shifts based on availability and experience.

IV. **Committee Preference** - Please list your top three (3) preferences for your choice of committee during the championship. If approved as a volunteer, we will do our best to assign you to one of your four choices. However, some committees fill up quickly and you may be assigned to a committee in need of additional volunteers. Please remember each volunteer will be expected to volunteer their services for a minimum of four (4) shifts, with each shift lasting approximately five (5) to six (6) hours.

I am willing to serve on any volunteer committee.

I am physically able to perform the functions of the committees I have designated in my preferences below.

Notes: Depending on committee assignments, volunteers may be subject to a criminal history background check and/or a Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) driving record check. In such cases, volunteers will be required to complete an additional background authorization form that will be furnished at a later date. Volunteers will be responsible for arriving at their assigned positions on time, without the use of cart transportation.

V. **Previous Experience** - Please list previous volunteer experiences you have had at USGA championships and/or other tournaments.

VI. Release and Waiver

I desire and agree to provide certain services on a volunteer basis to the United States Golf Association and to engage in activities related to serving as a volunteer ("Volunteer Services"). I understand that, by signing below (or my parent/guardian signing below, in case I am under 18 years old), I am releasing and forever discharging and holding harmless the United States Golf Association, a nonprofit corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and each of its directors, officers, employees, vendors, contractors, affiliates, agents, sponsors and co-sponsors, and corporate partners (collectively, the "USGA"), as follows:

1. Acknowledgement: I understand and acknowledge that the scope of my relationship with USGA is limited to a volunteer position and that no compensation is expected in return for my services; that USGA will not provide me with any benefits traditionally associated with employment; and that I am responsible for my own insurance coverage in the event of personal injury or illness as a result of my Volunteer Services.
2. Waiver and Release: **I release and forever discharge and hold harmless USGA and its successors and assigns from any and all liability, claims, and demands of whatever kind of nature, either in law or in equity, which arise or may hereafter arise from the Volunteer Services I provide to USGA ("Release"). I understand and acknowledge that this Release discharges USGA from any liability or claim that I may have against USGA with respect to bodily injury, personal injury, illness, death, or property damage that may result from the services I provide to USGA or occurring while I am providing Volunteer Services.**
3. Insurance: I understand that USGA does not assume any responsibility for or obligation to provide me with financial or other assistance, including but not limited to medical, health, or disability benefits or insurance. I expressly waive any such claim for compensation or liability on the part of USGA.
4. Medical Treatment: I hereby Release and forever discharge USGA from any claim whatsoever which arises or may hereafter arise

on account of any first-aid treatment or other medical services rendered in connection with an emergency during my tenure as a volunteer with USGA.

5. Assumption of Risk: I understand that the services I provide to USGA may include activities that may be hazardous to me, including inherently dangerous activities. As a volunteer, I hereby expressly assume risk of injury or harm from these activities and Release USGA from all liability.

6. Photo/Video Release: I grant and convey to USGA all right, title, and interests in any and all photographs, images, video, or audio recordings of me or my likeness made by USGA in connection with my providing Volunteer Services to USGA, and agree that the USGA may use such material for any lawful purpose.

7. Other: As a volunteer, I expressly agree that this Release and Waiver of Liability is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by law and that this agreement shall be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State in which my Volunteer Services are provided. I agree that in the event that any clause or provision of this agreement is deemed invalid, the enforceability of the remaining provisions of this agreement shall not be affected. If the services are provided in California, I understand and hereby agree that all rights under Section 1542 of the Civil Code of California and any similar law of any state or territory of the United States are hereby expressly waived. That section reads as follows: "1542. Certain claims not affected by general release. A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor."

VII. Signature

My signature below indicates my acknowledgement that the USGA may undertake an official background (check/review). It also confirms my understanding that my volunteer position is not guaranteed, nor if granted, guaranteed for any length of time and that the USGA may deny or end my volunteer opportunity at any time, for any reason, with or without prior notice. I acknowledge that I have reviewed this application and understand its terms, in particular, that I have chosen to apply for a volunteering position with the knowledge that I will not be compensated in monetary wages or any other form. I hereby agree that any current or future controversy or claim between me and the USGA arising out of or relating to my volunteer activities must be submitted for confidential, final and binding resolution by a private and impartial arbitrator to be jointly selected by me and the USGA from a list of neutral arbitrators provided by Judicial Arbitration and Mediation Services, Inc. (JAMS), in accordance with the then-current JAMS rules and procedures. I further agree that the arbitrator shall have the power to award any remedies, available under applicable law, and the arbitration shall take place in a location chosen by mutual written agreement. In agreeing to submit all disputes for resolution by arbitration, I acknowledge that such agreement is given in exchange for rights or benefits to which I am not otherwise entitled—namely, being permitted to volunteer at the U.S. Senior Women’s Open Championship and the more expeditious and confidential resolution or any such disputes. By signing this agreement, I hereby waive my right to commence, or be a party to, any class or collective claims or to bring jointly any claim against the USGA with any other person. My signature below further acknowledges that my attendance at the championship as a spectator shall be subject to all the terms and conditions set forth in the U.S. Senior Women’s Open Championship ticket license, which will be available at www.usag.org

Signature of Applicant: _____ Date: _____

If applicant is under the age of 18: As parent or guardian of the applicant, I hereby certify that the application is submitted with my approval and consent. In case of medical emergency occurring during this championship, I authorize a qualified medical professional to take the necessary measures in treatment of this applicant.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

Relationship to Applicant: _____

The collection and use of your personal information is subject to the USGA Privacy Policy found at www.usga.org.

The USGA does not discriminate in the selection among volunteer applications on the basis of race, color, creed, age, national origin, religion or disability.

