

**Exemption Criteria**  
**New Jersey State Golf Association**  
**104<sup>th</sup> Open Championship Presented by Donnelly Industries**  
**Plainfield Country Club – Edison, NJ**  
**July 23-25, 2024**

The following are exempt from qualifying for the 104<sup>th</sup> Open Championship, provided they submit their entry prior to the closing date and meet all eligibility criteria:

1. Champions of the NJSGA Open Championship from 1921-2007.\*
2. Champions of the previous ten NJSGA Open Championships (2014-2023). \*
3. The NJSGA Amateur Champion from 2015-2024.
4. The NJPGA Section Champion from 2014-2023.
5. Low 20 finishers (plus ties) from the 2023 NJSGA Open Championship.
6. The 2023 Champion of the NJSGA Senior Amateur Championship.
7. The 2023 Champion of the NJSGA Junior Championship.
8. The 2023 Champion of the MGA Amateur (Match Play).
9. The 2023 Champion of the MGA Open Championship.
10. The 2023 Champion of the GAP Patterson Cup (Stroke Play).
11. The 2024 Champion of the NJSGA Mid-Amateur Championship.
12. The 2024 Champion of the NJSGA / NJPGA Senior Open Championship.
13. The 2024 Champion of the NJPGA Match Play Championship.
14. The 2024 Champion of the NJPGA Charity Clambake.
15. The 2024 Champion of the NJPGA Head Pro Championship.
16. The 2024 Champion of the MGA Ike (Stroke Play) Championship.
17. The 2024 Champion of the GAP Amateur (Match Play) Championship.
18. The 2024 Champion of the GAP Open Championship.
19. The 2024 Champion of the NJ Women’s Open Championship. (If eligible)
20. NJSGA member club professionals who qualify for the 2024 National Club Professionals Championship via their finish in their respective 2023 PGA Section Championship.
21. The top five players from the 2023 NJSGA Robert Housen Player of the Year Points List.
22. Philadelphia PGA Section Professionals who are employed full time as a golf professional in the State of New Jersey that finished in the top twenty (20) of the final 2023 Philadelphia Section Player of the Year Points List.
23. The top thirty-two (32) professionals from the 2023 NJPGA Rolex Player of the Year Points List.
24. The 2023 NJPGA Assistant Player of the Year.
25. The host Head Golf Professional of Plainfield Country Club or the club’s designee.
26. The reigning Club Champion, who’s a member in good standing of Plainfield Country Club, or the club’s designee.
27. Special Invitee of the NJSGA Committee.

\* - Beginning with the 2008 Open Championship, the Champion was granted a ten-year exemption from qualifying. This replaces the former lifetime exemption granted to Champions between 1900 – 2007. All Champions during this time period retain their lifetime exemption status, as per conditions present during those years. Please contact the NJSGA for further details.