

IOWA GOLF HALL OF FAME

2027 NOMINATION FORM

This form is to be used to nominate worthy individuals to the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame. **Nominees will be considered for induction starting in the spring of 2027.** (NOTE: The nominee will remain under consideration for the final ballot for up to five years before a nomination must be re-submitted). **Nominations and all supplemental material must be received by Friday, October 23, 2026.** Supplemental materials received after the deadline will not be considered for the current year. Completed nominations may be sent to the Iowa Golf Association office at 8050 Golf House Dr, Norwalk, IA 50211. **Nominators must use this form and must include** supplemental information as listed at the bottom of this form. Forms may be typed, but legible handwritten forms are acceptable. The originator must sign nominations. You are not allowed to nominate yourself.

NOMINEE _____
(First Name) (MI) (Last Name)

ADDRESS _____

NOMINATED BY _____ Email _____
(First Name) (MI) (Last Name)

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____
(cell) (alt ph #) (Signature) (Date)

ELIGIBILITY: *Nominees must be 50 years of age or older in the calendar year in which they are being considered for induction (i.e. at least 50 years old by Dec 31, 2027). Election to the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame shall be restricted to individuals who were either born and raised in Iowa or gained their golf prominence while living in Iowa. PGA Section Professionals who were part of the Iowa Section PGA but lived and/or worked in Illinois or at an Illinois club are eligible. Otherwise, there will be no particular length of residency required. All nominations will be evaluated by the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame Nominating Committee. If it is deemed that a nomination is incomplete the committee will notify the nominator that more information is needed. If the committee deems a person ineligible, then the nominator will be informed of that as well. *We reserve the right to make exceptions to this age requirement for extraordinary circumstances.

CATEGORY FOR NOMINATION (CHECK ONE)

We understand that some nominees could fit either the Competitor or Lifetime Achievement categories. Please select the category you feel most appropriate, but please know that the Nominating Committee will ultimately determine which category each nominee would reside for voting purposes. All posthumous nominees should be selected as Veterans category.

☐ **COMPETITOR CATEGORY**

- For golfers with considerable playing accomplishments - Document the playing record and list achievements on local, state and/or national level. Nominees can either be an amateur or professional. Professionals are not required to be a PGA member.

☐ **LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT CATEGORY**

- For individuals who have made a considerable contribution to golf outside of playing accomplishments. PGA Club Professionals, Golf Course Superintendents, Administrators, Volunteers, Benefactors, Writers would all fall into this category.

☐ **VETERANS CATEGORY (Historical)**

- **Posthumous inductees are considered under this category.** They would include people who had considerable accomplishments as a Competitor, Superintendent, PGA Club Professional, Administrator, Volunteer, Benefactor, Writer or the like.

INFORMATION TO INCLUDE WITH NOMINATION

(must include the following or risk having the nomination invalidated by the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame Nominating Committee.)

Please take a moment to review the General Nomination Guidelines on the following pages before nominating someone. This will help provide guidance for the type of information to include within a nomination packet.

➤ **POSITIONS OR OFFICES HELD DURING PERIOD OF CONSIDERATION**

- List the positions of employment or offices held within specific organizations during the period for which the nominee's performance is being recognized. Develop a chronological listing, starting with the most current time period. (Use separate sheets if necessary)

➤ **SPECIFIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS**

- Present a detailed description of the nominee's achievements that made significant contributions to the game of golf in Iowa. (Use separate sheets if necessary)

➤ **LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION**

- Nominator should solicit such letters and include them with nomination packet.

Iowa Golf Hall of Fame

General Nomination Guidelines

The following are meant to give those who are considering nominating someone for the Iowa Golf Hall of Fame some general information. A potential nominee does **not** have to meet every category or achievement listed here, but if they do not check a majority of these qualifications, it may not be a strong nominee.

COMPETITOR CATEGORY

- Many victories in significant tournaments and championships including but not limited to:
 - Major IGA (IWGA) Amateur events:
 - Iowa Amateur
 - Iowa Women's Amateur
 - IGA Match Play (mens or womens)
 - Herman Sani Tournament
 - Additional Sanctioned Point Events
 - Etc.
 - Major Iowa PGA events:
 - Section Championship
 - Iowa Open
 - Etc.
 - NOTE: Non-victories/high finishes at the state level (or lower) are generally not considered
- IGA, Iowa Section PGA, or another state's equivalent Player of the Year awards
- Qualified for multiple USGA Championships
- Qualified for multiple PGA National Championships
- High finishes at the national level
 - USGA, PGA of America, AJGA, Elite Amateur Series, etc
- PGA or LPGA Tour success
 - Earned membership
 - Significant number of starts, money earned, cuts made, etc
- Wins on any major professional tour (PGA Tour, Korn Ferry, DP World, LPGA, Epson, etc)

LIFETIME ACHEIVEMENT CATEGORY

For Golf Course Superintendents:

- Major events held or hosted at their facility
- Significant number of proteges (i.e. mentoring other superintendents)
- Service to Iowa GCSA or similar organizations in other states
- Considerable awards/recognition for Environmental stewardship
- "Superintendent of the Year" awards from Iowa GCSA, IGA or similar
- Professional certifications
- Oversee significant Course Construction or Course Restoration/Renovation projects
- Has had articles published in Golf Course trade magazines
- Forward-thinking practices/inventions for their time

For PGA Club Professionals (update to match Iowa PGA Section principles):

- Considerable Education and Certification achievements (PGA Membership & Certification, Master Professional, Rules of Golf, Club Fitting, etc)
- Participation in PGA Governance (Board/Committees at local or national level)

- Service to similar organizations (IGA, Iowa GCSA, etc) or to the PGA in other states (Boards, Committees, contributions, etc)
- Significant number of proteges (i.e. mentoring other Club Pros)
- Educational/Information Contributions (videos, articles, etc in service to the game of golf in Iowa)
- Significant awards from the Iowa PGA Section
- Significant awards from the PGA of America
- Significant awards from the Iowa Golf Association, Iowa GCSA, Club Managers or their respective national organizations
- Playing accomplishments to be considered based on "Competitor" category outline
- Other significant contributions to the game not defined above (such as inventions, entrepreneurship, etc)

For Journalists/Writers:

- Awards for sports writing
- Promotion of the game in Iowa or nationally
- Books written
- Magazine or online writing contributions

For Golf Coaches:

- Considerable awards for coaching success
- Titles/Championships won by teams
- Success of players coached
- Longevity within the profession

For Administrators:

- Considerable awards from professional organizations
- Substantial milestones achieved during tenure
- Special projects accomplished
- Longevity within position/profession
- Significant & impactful mentorship of other successful administrators

For Volunteers:

- Substantial service to IGA, Iowa PGA, Iowa GCSA, USGA, PGA of America, GCSAA, or similar organizations, whether national or local/regional in scope
 - Served on Board of Directors, Committees
 - Served as President, other Officers
 - Course Rating
- Rules Officials
 - Major championships officiated
 - Years of service to state organizations
 - Elite scores on rules exams
 - Service in teaching the rules of golf

For Benefactors:

- Substantial Financial contributions to IGA, Iowa PGA, Iowa GCSA, USGA, PGA of America, GCSAA, or similar organizations, whether national or local/regional in scope
- Facilitated substantial gifts to the above organizations or similar

VETERANS CATEGORY

The Veterans Category is made up of all posthumous nominees. Therefore, please refer to the list of general achievements/accomplishments listed in the Competitor and Lifetime Achievement categories when considering a nomination.