

# 2026 U.S. Open Volunteer FAQs

*Below is a collection of frequently asked questions and answers regarding the 2026 U.S. Open Volunteer Program. If you have any additional questions not listed below, please reach out to [2026usopen@usga.org](mailto:2026usopen@usga.org)*

## **Q: WHAT ARE THE OFFICIAL DATES OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP?**

**A:** The championship runs from Monday June 15<sup>th</sup> to Sunday June 21<sup>st</sup>. Practice Rounds will be held Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, and the Championship Rounds will run Thursday to Sunday.

## **Q: I WANT TO VOLUNTEER FOR THE 2026 U.S. OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP. HOW DO I SIGN UP?**

**A:** Volunteer registration will open to the public on **April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025**. Once registration is open, there will be a link on the USGA website.

## **Q: MY CHILD WANTS TO VOLUNTEER – WHAT OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE FOR JUNIORS?**

**A:** One volunteer committee, the Standard Bearers, is designated for junior volunteers, ages 14 – 17. This committee requires a very limited number of volunteers.

## **Q: WHAT DOES THE REGISTRATION FEE COVER?**

**A:** All volunteers are required to pay a \$225 registration fee. This cost covers your volunteer credential (providing access to the championship all 7 days), exclusive Peter Millar volunteer apparel and logoed accessories, lunch on site during volunteer shifts, and access to volunteer hospitality.

## **Q: WHAT IS THE TIME COMMITMENT FOR VOLUNTEERING? HOW MANY HOURS/SHIFTS WOULD I VOLUNTEER?**

**A:** All volunteer shifts will last approximately (4) to (6) hours. You will be required to volunteer a minimum of (4) shifts throughout the week. Depending on the committee, shifts slots are Morning, Mid-Day, and Afternoon. Volunteers are also required to factor in time to arrive at their check in location 30 minutes prior to the start of their shift.

## **Q: HOW ARE COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS MADE?**

**A:** Committee assignments are made on a first come, first served basis. The championship office takes into consideration committee preferences and prior experiences listed on volunteer applications when assigning committees. We will attempt to assign each volunteer to one of his or her committee preferences; however, in many cases this will not be possible due to the requests for certain committees greatly outnumbering the staffing requirements of the committees. If the committee preferences you selected are full, we will assign you to another committee that still has availability.



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**Q: HOW DO I SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER WITH MY SPOUSE, FAMILY, FRIENDS, ETC.? CAN YOU SCHEDULE US FOR THE SAME VOLUNTEER SHIFT?**

**A:** Volunteer availability forms will be sent out at the start of the 2026 calendar year. Volunteers can coordinate schedules with their spouse, family, friends, etc. and will be able to indicate the date and shifts they can volunteer on their availability form. Be sure that you have selected the same committee preferences and availability times as whoever you'd like to volunteer with. You should also indicate the name of who you'd like to volunteer when asked on your availability form. We will do our best to consider all requests but cannot guarantee it.

**Q: WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE VOLUNTEER APPAREL PACKAGE?**

**A:** Volunteers will receive (2) golf shirts, (1) jacket, and (1) piece of headwear. All apparel will be created exclusively for U.S. Open volunteers by Peter Millar. Volunteers will also receive a logoed Corkcicle water bottle, collectors pin and clear backpack.

**Q: DO VOLUNTEERS/HIS OR HER FAMILY MEMBERS RECEIVE ANY DISCOUNTED CHAMPIONSHIP TICKETS?**

**A:** Volunteers do not receive any complimentary tickets for friends/family. Any additional tickets must be purchased at [www.usga.org](http://www.usga.org). Volunteers can use their championship credential to access the championship on days when they are not assigned a shift.

**Q: IS IT DIFFICULT AT TIMES TO EXPLAIN THAT IT ACTUALLY COSTS MONEY TO BE A VOLUNTEER?**

**A:** As is the case with most major golf events, there will be a fee associated with the volunteer package for the U.S. Open. The volunteer fee for the 2026 U.S. Open Championship will be \$225. The fee does prove to be a worthwhile investment for someone who is not only interested in participating as a volunteer but is also interested in having the ability to attend the championship on a daily basis. The cost of volunteering covers the actual cost of the volunteer apparel specifically designed for the 2026 Open Championship, meal vouchers for each shift a volunteer is scheduled and includes a credential valid for all seven (7) days of the championship. The credential will serve as a ticket for admissions any day of the championship regardless of whether or not the volunteer is assigned to a shift.

**Q: WHAT ARE SOME OF THE THOUGHTS VOLUNTEERS SHARE WITH YOU ONCE THE CHAMPIONSHIP HAS CONCLUDED?**

**A:** As an integral part of the championship, volunteers are given the opportunity to communicate through day-to-day interactions with USGA staff or by completing a survey during and after the championship. In most cases, the results and comments are very positive. Often, volunteers will echo their sentiments towards the unique experience volunteering afforded them during the week of the championship and how exciting it was to be actively involved as part of such a historic event. In some instances, volunteers will provide constructive feedback on how to improve the volunteer experience. USGA staff thoroughly reads through each survey and takes into consideration all of the feedback, good and bad, in order to improve the volunteer program and experience for future championships.

