

2024 PDGA International Program Guide

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Part 1: Information for All Countries

1. Introduction

Founded in 1976, the PDGA is the international governing body of disc golf. Its mission is "to develop disc golf into a globally-recognized competitive sport and recreational activity." Since 2005, when the PDGA International Program began, PDGA activities have grown exponentially throughout Europe, eastern Asia and Oceania. Now, disc golf is taking flight across Latin America and Africa. These progressions reflect the collective dedication of PDGA staff, our partner national associations, local clubs, and many thousands of volunteers worldwide.

The PDGA International Program is steered by the International Director, the Director of Membership & Growth, the PDGA Europe Board of Directors and staff, the Latin America Coordinator, and the PDGA Asia Committee. Input and feedback are provided by the PDGA's affiliated National Association partners and Country Coordinators. In turn, the Program is supported by the PDGA's Global headquarters in USA, whose team of staff and consultants manage and innovate <u>www.pdga.com</u>, and the member/event database. Together they also organize and help deliver the annual worldwide PDGA Tour and PDGA World Championship events, while providing day-to-day support to inquiries and issues from around the globe.

In calendar year 2023, there were more than 24,400 current International members, and more than 2050 PDGA Tour events, in Europe, Oceania, Asia, Latin America and Africa. All told the PDGA is now partnered with 53 national associations around the world. See Appendix B on PDGA and Disc Golf Demographics.

There are some essential differences between PDGA memberships, events and programming in USA/Canada and the rest of the world. International membership prices are lower and there are no per player or non/non-current member fees collected from international country events. These distinctions reflect a couple of key facts: In North America, PDGA is both the national and the global association, whereas in other countries, many of which have their own fee structures, it serves only as the international organization. In turn, PDGA International event standards are also not as demanding as in USA/Canada. This ensures that they accommodate the relative and different stages of development in each country. While this significantly lower-cost approach may mean that the PDGA does not offer all the activities to other countries that it does to the 80% of its overall membership based in USA/Canada, it remains a key reason for the significant success of the International Program to date.

This Guide serves as the principal resource on the International Program. It details the roles of and the relations between PDGA and all countries outside of USA and Canada, the services provided by PDGA to the countries, and the standards that apply to PDGA International memberships and Tour events. For more information, please visit www.pdga.com/international and wwww.p

Please send any questions regarding the Guide to the PDGA International Director at international@pdga.com .

2. Program Goals

- Foster and strengthen the growth of disc golf around the world
- Support the growth and activities of national disc golf associations and disc sports bodies
- Assist in the introduction and development of disc golf in new countries and regions
- Set player standards for classification of PDGA members into universal Professional and Amateur divisions
- Set tour standards for classification of PDGA International events into appropriate tiers
- Support the translation of the Rules of Play and Competition Manual, the PDGA Tournament App and other tools and resources into different languages.
- Promote the efforts and achievements of the different countries and regions in the PDGAs social and traditional media
- Strengthen the PDGA brand as the governing body of the sport, and the global players association.



3. Regional Strategies

The PDGA employs a variety of programming strategies on the different continents, reflecting each region's relative stage of development. Europe, which represents 87% of all PDGA International activity, and includes many countries who have been in the game since the '80s and 90s, is its own largely self-determining PDGA entity. It has its own Board of Directors and staff, develops and implements its own programs, and is provided with 85-90% of all PDGA income sourced from members and events in Europe (after membership fulfillment costs are deducted) for these purposes. See Part Two of this Guide for more insight into PDGA Europe, its structure and activities.

Latin America which is rapidly becoming the next significant growth area for the sport, has the advantages of sharing a by and large common language, namely Spanish, and of relative proximity and ties to the USA and its own substantial Latino population. To foster the introduction and growth of the game in more countries across South and Central America, as well as the Caribbean, a part-time PDGA Latin America Coordinator was hired in late 2022 who organizes and oversees programming activities across the region.

East and South-east Asia includes the long-established disc golf lands of Japan and Chinese Taipei, several emerging countries where the sport was started by transplanted expats, locally led newcomers, notably Philippines, as well as potentially massive China and, in the near future, India. While distances between countries here are greater and cultures differ more so than in Europe and Latin America, there is now a critical mass of courses and players fostering national and trans-regional play, including the annual South-east Asia tour which is held early in calendar year, attracting tour-ists from USA and Europe escaping winter. In order to continue building connections with and cooperation across this diverse area, a PDGA Asia Committee has recently been formed.

In logistically more challenging Africa, the PDGA is primarily focusing on the greater East Africa region, most notably Uganda, Kenya, and Zambia, where it is partnering with and providing financial support to 2 of the sports leading not-for-profits - the Paul McBeth Foundation and UPlay. This strategy is proving to be more impactful in terms of developing the sport with local stakeholders and in delivering sustainable and positive results, than previous more piecemeal and experimental efforts.

Elsewhere, in countries such as Australia, New Zealand, and South Africa, which require little or less direct assistance, the PDGA provides support to locally driven initiatives including Aussie Disc Golf Day and NZ's Tour Down Under, as well as suggested solutions to issues on an as requested basis.

As the sport continues to evolve so too will these strategies and the PDGAs investment in helping to grow the game in new disc golf nations.



In 2023 the PDGA donated & shipped more than 4000 discs to developing world countries



4. Affiliated Countries

The International Program is centered on partnerships between PDGA Global headquarters in USA, PDGA Europe, and the National Disc Golf or Disc Sports Association(s). At the country level, the National Associations retain responsibility for all domestic/in-country issues, including the application of the standards discussed in this document. These partnerships are also built on the understanding that the National Associations will work with, and support all parties who are contributing to the positive development of the game in their respective countries.

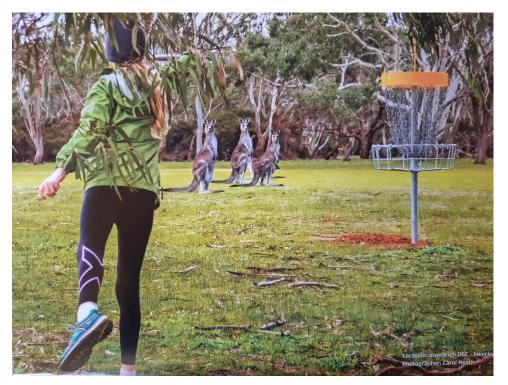
The basic and annual criteria for being a PDGA affiliated country are:

- Proof of formal existence, for example the association or club's in-country registration document
- Ten (10) or more current PDGA members annually
- One (1) or more sanctioned PDGA events annually in country, following International Event Standards
- These criteria apply to all European countries, and to established disc golf countries in Asia and Oceania
- The PDGA International Director may grant affiliated status to countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America who do not yet meet the above member or event numbers, where disc golf developmental activity is underway

PDGA support and benefits to the affiliated country includes:

- Official recognition by the global governing body helps build in-country credibility for national associations
- Governance of the sport as a whole, and related standards, including the Official Rules of Play, Competition Manual, & Technical Standards
- Sanctioning and promotion of events as part of the worldwide PDGA Tour
- Individual membership benefits, including player ratings
- Searchable databases of player, event, and country statistics at <u>www.pdga.com</u>
- Event software: DiscGolfScene, Live App, Tournament Manager, Tournament Central & Live Scoring
- Financial assistance with translations of PDGA texts, notably the Rules Book and Competition Manual
- Rights to use PDGA-affiliated names and logos, provision of promo materials including PDGA logo banners

Countries interested in becoming PDGA affiliated should contact the International Director for more information.



Kangaroos study the basics of putting at Australia's Inverleigh course Credit: Carol Heath



Table of PDGA Europe Affiliated Countries/Regions and Partner Associations – May 2024

Austria	Österreichischer Discgolfverband	www.discgolf.at
Belgium	Belgian Disc Golf Commission	https://www.facebook.com/groups/discgolfbelgium
Croatia	Croatian Flying Disc Association	http://www.hfds.hr
Czech Republic	Česká Asociace DiscGolfu	www.cadg.cz
Denmark	Dansk Frisbee Sport Union	https://dfsu.dk
Estonia	Eesti Discgolfi Liit	www.discgolfiliit.ee
Finland	Suomen frisbeegolfliitto	www.frisbeegolfliitto.fi
France	Fédération Française de Flying Disc	www.ff-flyingdisc.fr
Germany	Deutscher Frisbeesport Verband	www.discgolf.de
Hungary	Magyar Frizbi Szövetség	www.disc-golf.hu
Iceland	Íslendska Frisbígolf samband	www.folf.is
Ireland	All-Ireland Disc Golf Association	www.discgolf.ie
Italy	ASD II Disc Golf Italia	www.ildiscgolf.it
Latvia	Latvijas Disku Golfa Federācija	www.ldgf.lv
Lithuania	Lietuvos Diskgolfo Federacija	www.discgolf.lt
Luxembourg	Disc Golf Club Luxembourg	https://www.facebook.com/DGCLux
Netherlands	Nederlandse Frisbee Bond	www.frisbeesport.nl
Norway	Disksport Norge	www.disksport.no
Poland	Polskie Stowarzyszenie Disc Golfa	www.discgolfpoland.pl/
Portugal	Associação Portuguesa de Ultimate e Desportos do Disco	www.apudd.pt
Scotland	Scottish Disc Golf Association	www.scottishdiscgolfassociation.co.uk
Serbia	Udruženje građana Frizbijak	www.frizbijak.co.rs
Slovakia	Slovak Association of Frisbee	www.discgolf.sk
Slovenia	Frizbi zveza Slovenije	www.frizbi.si
Spain	Asociación Española de Disc Golf	http://www.aediscgolf.es
Sweden	Svenska Disc Golf Förbundet	www.svenskdiscgolf.se
Switzerland	Swiss Discgolf Association	www.discgolf.ch
Ukraine	Disc Golf Ukraine	https://discgolf.in.ua
United Kingdom	British Disc Golf Association	www.bdga.org.uk







Table of Other PDGA Affiliated Countries/Regions and Partner Associations – May 2024

ASIA		
Cambodia	Disc Golf Cambodia	https://www.facebook.com/groups/siemreapdgc
China	China Disc Golf Center	www.thecdgc.com
Chinese Taipei	Taiwan Disc Golf Association	https://www.facebook.com/groups/585943281517211/
Japan	Japan Disc Golf Association	www.jpdga.jp
Malaysia	Disc Golf Malaysia	https://www.facebook.com/groups/358793001254387
Philippines	Disc Golf Association of Philippines	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100087238055208
Singapore	Singapore Disc Golf Club	www.facebook.com/singapore.disc.golf
South Korea	Korea Disc Golf Association	https://www.facebook.com/groups/335541173183190/
Thailand	Thailand Disc Golf Association	https://www.facebook.com/groups/175193609346877/
OCEANIA		
Australia	Australian Disc Golf	www.australiandiscgolf.com
New Zealand	New Zealand Disc Golf	www.newzealanddiscgolf.org.nz
LATIN AMERICA	& CARIBBEAN	
Brazil	Disc Golf Brasil	www.discgolfbrasil.org
Colombia	Federación Colombiana de Disco Volador	https://fecodv.ultimatecentral.com
Guatemala	Club de Disc Golf Guatemala	https:www.facebook.com/groups/463712355716705
Mexico	Federación Mexicana de Golf de Disco	https://www.instagram.com/federacionmexicanadediscgolf
Puerto Rico	Federación Puertorriquena de Disc Golf	www.travelingchainspr.com/federacionprdiscgolf
AFRICA		
Ethiopia	Ethiopian Disc Golf Federation	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100067014331235
Kenya	Disc Golf Kenya	https://m.facebook.com/groups/400681071486366 /
Morocco	Association Marocaine Disc Golf	https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100090842294640
South Africa	Disc Golf South Africa	https://discgolfsa.org
Uganda	Disc Golf Uganda	https;//facebook.com/groups/317941774457089/user/61554305123489/
Zambia	Zambia Disc Golf	https://www.facebook.com/zambiadiscgolfclub

5. Affiliated Clubs

The PDGA's Affiliated Clubs Program is only offered in USA and Canada where PDGA serves as both the national and the global association. In this context, the program is a USA and Canada national level activity. Its principal benefit is a \$5 discount on affiliated club player memberships. Another reason why this discount is not offered beyond USA and Canada is because, in the international countries, membership prices are already significantly lower compared to USA and Canada.

More importantly, many of the international countries have their own affiliated relationship between their local clubs and the national association. As an example, across the leading disc golf region that is Scandinavia, the players are members of their local clubs and the clubs in turn are the members of the national association. In short, in the international context, as in USA/Canada, "affiliation" here refers to the relationship between clubs and the national association. Thus, each national association determines the benefits it offers to its clubs.





























Sunset over the Rimpa Wildlife Conservancy near Nairobi, Kenya

Credit: Kevin Becker



6. Country Coordinators

PDGA Country Coordinators are appointed in the following manners:

- By a national disc golf association or disc sports body that is recognized by PDGA as its affiliated partner for the country in question.
- Where there is no national body recognized by PDGA, or, in the case of new disc golf countries, a Country Coordinator can be appointed by a vote of the current PDGA members within the country, or by the International Director, or in regards to European countries, by the PDGA Europe Board of Directors.

The roles and responsibilities of PDGA Country Coordinators include:

- Representation of the country and affiliated national association to PDGA and/or PDGA Europe, including
 participation in ongoing issue discussions and decisions.
- Promotion of the PDGA in a positive light and professional manner.
- Responding to PDGA related requests from the International Director, PDGA Europe Board and/or Staff, their National Association, as well as TDs and PDGA members in their country.
- Coordination of PDGA activity and promotion in country, including the distribution of PDGA information to TDs and members. Ensuring that memberships, event dates and results are submitted to PDGA in a timely manner.
- Entry of new and updated information on country disc golf courses in the PDGA Course Directory.

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16 time Japan Champion and Asia #1 Manabu Kajiyama

Credit: Prodigy Disc



View Georgiou is Thailand's top player

Credit: Kingsley Flett



7. PDGA Rules of Play & Competition Manual



A new edition of the Official Rules of Disc Golf & Competition Manual (ORDG & CM) came into effect on January 1, 2022. A limited number of changes have since been made for 2023 and for 2024. The authoritative and current online versions in English can be found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/rules</u>

The PDGA funds and assists the National Associations with translations of the ORDG & CM into other languages. For more information please contact the International Director. Since 2022, translations have been completed in 17 other languages, as found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/pdga-documents/international-rules</u>

The Official Rules of Play apply in full, worldwide, at all PDGA sanctioned Tour Events, with the following 1 exception. For 2024, the most significant change is in 808 Scoring, whereby each player must now keep score for the entire group after each hole. The justification for this change is it ensures even distribution of scoring duties and maximizes scoring integrity. It also limits scoring penalties to the player who submitted the incorrect scorecard. As this is a substantial change from previous procedure, it has been determined that, in the international countries, this rule will be highly recommended but not required in 2024. That said, countries should be moving forward to adopt this rule sconer rather than later and should anticipate it becoming required worldwide for 2025.

See the following page regarding the application of the Competition Manual in the International countries. (The Competition Manual applies in full in USA and Canada.)

IMPORTANT REMINDER to TDs: Be sure your event(s) continue to follow all of your local governmental regulations and the PDGA requirements concerning COVID-19 at your event(s). Review the <u>PDGA</u> <u>Requirements and Best Practices for Sanctioned Play During COVID-19</u> document prior to your event(s).



Application of the Competition Manual in the International Countries:

It is a goal of the PDGA that the standards and procedures described in the Competition Manual be applied at as many Tour events worldwide events as possible. By standardizing tournament procedures around the world, we will increase consistency within our sport, and thereby its credibility, while also meeting the expectations of players, media, and fans. That said, certain sections of the Competition Manual have been written primarily for USA/Canada, reflecting the size and comparatively advanced stage of the sport there. Many other countries also have their own disc golf culture and protocols, which should be recognized and respected, wherever these do not compromise the integrity of the game.

The table below indicates which sections of the Competition Manual are recommended in the International countries. All other sections of the Competition Manual are required and apply worldwide. Note that these exceptions do not extend to Majors, Elite Series, and Elite Series related events, notably the Disc Golf Pro Tour - Europe Silver events.

If a National Association or event TD does not agree with certain Rules of Play or Competition Standards, they may appeal, through their Country Coordinator, to the Europe Tour Manager (European countries) or the Event Support Team (all other countries) for a waiver of the condition(s) in question.

Recommended Sections of Competition Manual

For the following sections National Associations should follow the Manual, but may determine their own procedures.

1.01.B	At present, the requirement of current PDGA membership applies to Majors and A tiers only in the International countries. At present, the PDGA also does not collect player fees at International events.
1.02.C.3.d	Club Member Only Events Registration. In the International countries, club affiliation as outlined here refers to local club affiliation with or membership in the National Association.
1.03	Countries may have their own withdrawal & refund system which they are solely responsible for.
1.05G	The new standards state that the TD must provide a scorecard, digital or paper, to each player. This is directly related to Rule 8.08, discussed above. Instead the 2023 version of this clause applies, namely: The TD must provide 2 scorecards to each group, to be kept independently of one another.
1.06	Grouping and Sectioning: All countries should follow the stated procedures. However, they have the following options: Random groupings are allowed in Round 1 at B & C tier events, provided the event has at least 2 Rounds. Some countries also group all players in Round 2 based only on their scores in Round 1. PDGA allows countries with such a tradition to adopt the following procedure: At B & C tier events only, players may be grouped by score regardless of division in Round 2, provided the event has at least 3 rounds. Players must be grouped by division and lowest score (per 1.06 C & D) for the final round of regulation play and in all Rounds after Round 2.
1.08.C.	Cut line at or above Payout line. Different countries and events have different standards here.
1.13	Youth Safety: This section is highly recommended. Each country determines its own protocol, for which they are responsible, regarding parents, guardians, and other persons assigned to this role.
3.07	Tour Vendor Policies. The National Association determines these.
3.08.H.	TD Rights & Responsibilities: The right to demote an event lies with the National Association.



8. PDGA International Memberships & Events Protocol

a. Memberships

All PDGA International memberships are submitted at <u>http://www.pdga.com/membership</u> as follows:

- By the individual member using their credit card or Paypal. This is the preferred method as the member is responsible for the accuracy of their own data.
- By Country Associations who collect their national players' PDGA memberships.

Prices: US\$30 Professional Members or US\$20 Amateur & Junior Members

- + US\$30 PDGA logo disc and mini
- + US\$40 Annual (4 issues) airmail subscription to the PDGA's Discgolfer Magazine

Members receive a PDGA member card, an individual member page at <u>www.pdga.com</u> including event results and player rating, the right to play in PDGA Tour events around the world, subject to player qualification, and other benefits. New/first time members also receive their lifetime member number, renewing members receive an annual bag tag. See Appendix A: The Benefits of PDGA International Membership.

New Members who played in PDGA Tour events before they became a member can get credit for these event results by emailing a list of the events they played, the dates of the events, and their division and places of finish to <u>tournament-errata@pdga.com</u>.

Member Nationality: The PDGA database displays a member's state/province and country based on their mailing address. Players who are nationals of 1 country and residents of another, who wish their country of nationality to display can do so as follows:

Login to pdga.com . Go to My Account > Edit .

Select the appropriate country from the Nationality dropdown menu. Save.

b. Official's Exam

The official's exam is taken online at http://www.pdga.com/rules/exam . The exam is open book and may be taken an unlimited number of times until it is passed. Once passed, the member pays the US\$10 fee to be certified. Official's certification is valid for 3 years. All PDGA Tournament Directors and all players competing in a PDGA Major or Elite Series event are required to be Certified Officials.

c. Event Sanctioning

All International events must be approved by the host country association before they can be PDGA sanctioned. This includes annual National Championship(s) events sanctioned by PDGA, the awarding of which falls under the authority of the National Association.

Exceptions:

- Major events and Disc Golf Pro Tour (DGPT) events which are governed by PDGA & DGPT respectively, as well as the EDGF governed European Championship events.
- Events held entirely on an overseas US Military Base do not need approval from the National Association to sanction with PDGA as the land in question is considered to be controlled by USA

Events sanctioned by 1 national association that are held in another country (typically near the border of the 2 countries), must be approved by both countries' associations before they are sanctioned by PDGA.

National Associations who do not wish to have these authorities must advise event TDs in their country that they can sanction their events with PDGA without such approval. In cases where national associations have declined this authority and there is a conflict between events that are geographically close and wish to sanction on the same date(s), the Country Coordinator should serve as Event Schedule referee.

All listed event TDs and Assistant TDs must be current PDGA members and certified PDGA officials before the PDGA will sanction their event(s).



For each International event to be PDGA sanctioned the TD or country association must complete the PDGA sanctioning agreement found here: <u>http://www.pdga.com/pdga-event-sanctioning-agreement</u>. The event sanctioning submission is received when payment information is submitted on the checkout page.

Sanctioning Fees are: US\$100 A Tier, US\$75 B Tier, US\$50 C Tier, US\$25 League.

Upon sanctioning the PDGA Office emails an event confirmation to the TD, copying the Country Coordinator. This email includes a link and password to the PDGA <u>Tournament Manager</u> system. See: <u>https://www.pdga.com/help/tournament-management</u>.

Exceptions:

Majors, DGPT, and European Championship events do not pay sanctioning fees and are entered in the tour database by PDGA staff.

d. Event Player Registration

All sanctioned event TDs are encouraged to use the <u>www.discgolfscene.com</u> system provided by PDGA for player registration.

e. Event Reports

TDs can and are now required to manage and complete all reporting requirements within the web based PDGA Tournament Manager_system which allows you to submit all event data online via PC, Tablet, or smart phone. This includes all financial items such as Entry Fees, Added Cash, Player Packs, Trophies, Prizes, and Payouts. Note that once the TD has completed all finance entries, they can also easily print a "Payout Sheet" that details each division's payouts, as well as all the added values provided, for posting at Tournament Central. See: http://www.pdga.com/help/tournament-management for all the how-to's.

International event TDs who run events in locations without internet or cell service or who upload player lists from registration sites other than Disc Golf Scene (which does it automatically) can still use the Excel file TD Report found here: <u>http://www.pdga.com/documents/pdga-international-td-report</u> to manage their ongoing event. They then copy/paste the Excel sheet of player names, PDGA#s, scores and payout values into Tournament Manager when they have internet access again.

Where reports are late, Country Coordinators will be requested to assist the PDGA in obtaining the report. TD's with reports over 90 days late will not be allowed to direct another sanctioned event until the reports are received and may face disciplinary action.

Official event results are generated when a TD finalizes their event report and presses the orange "Submit Report" button at the bottom of the Submit Report page within Tournament Manager. If there are any flags raised, the PDGA staff will also review and verify that the report is complete and accurate. **Official player ratings** updates are published on the 2nd Tuesday of every month.

f. Event Support Hotline:

In October 2021, the PDGA created the Event Support Team, to assist TDs, including training the hundreds of new TDs reflecting the sport's dramatic growth. This Team assists Event Directors with troubleshooting, event best practices, errata corrections, questions about the Official Rules of Disc Golf, Competition Manual and Tour Standards, Disc Golf Scene, as well as related online functionality The Helpline is available Monday-Friday 0900-1700h and 1200-1700h on weekends, Eastern USA time, at <u>eventsupport@pdga.com</u> or by calling +1-762-253-2200.



g. Questions, Corrections & Changes

To discuss and resolve event related, membership related, and any other issues, please contact:

Europe:

Events related: The Event Support Team at <u>eventsupport@pdga.com</u> of which the Europe Tour Manager is a member

Event Waiver Requests: The Event Support Team at eventsupport@pdga.com .

Membership Related: The Memberships Manager at vallen@pdga.com .

All other issues: The PDGA Europe Office at office@pdga-europe.com .

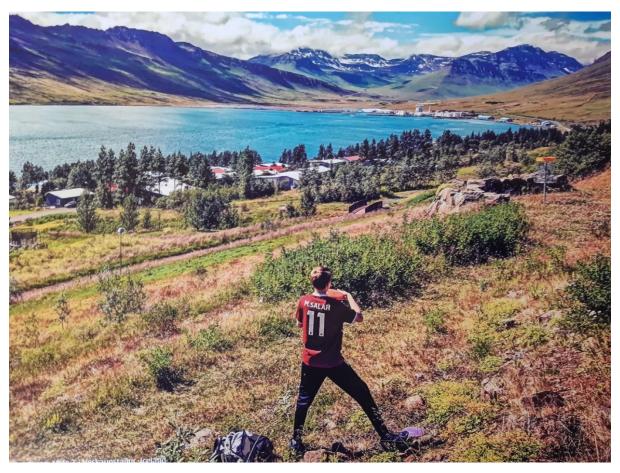
Latin America & other International Countries:

Events related: The Event Support Team (see above) for technical support, the Latin America Coordinator for other issues pertaining to events held in Latin America at <u>latinamerica@pdga.com</u>, or the International Director at <u>international@pdga.com</u> for other country related issues.

Event Waiver Requests: The Event Support Team at eventsupport@pdga.com .

Membership Related: The Memberships Manager at vallen@pdga.com;

All other issues: The International Director at international@pdga.com .



Iceland's scenic Neskaupstadur Course

Credit: Bogi Bjarnason



9. Player Classifications

The table of PDGA Professional and Amateur divisions, which applies to all countries, can be found here: https://www.pdga.com/pdga-documents/tour-documents/divisions-ratings-and-points-factors.

PDGA Player Age:

A player's official PDGA Age is based on their year of birth, NOT their birthdate. Therefore, whatever age they will be on their birthday during the calendar year is their PDGA age for that entire tour year and determines their eligibility for age-based divisions. Examples:

- If a 39-year-old male player will turn 40 at any time during the calendar year, their PDGA age is 40 and they are eligible for MP40 or MA40 during the entire calendar year.
- If a 15-year-old female player will turn 16 at any time during the calendar year, their PDGA age is 16 so they are not eligible for FJ15 during that entire calendar year, they must play FJ18 or in an open age bracket division (FPO, FA1, FA2, etc.).

Player Gender:

Women can compete in mixed divisions, but men cannot compete in women's divisions. In December 2023 the PDGA updated its policy on Eligibility for Gender-Based Divisions, which also covers eligibility for transgender players. See: <u>https://www.pdga.com/medical/gender-based-division-eligibility</u>

Player Classification:

- A player relinquishes their PDGA Amateur status by accepting money for place of finish in a Pro division or by renewing as a Pro member.
- An Amateur player retains PDGA Amateur status by accepting merchandise or nothing in lieu of Pro cash
- The requirements for reclassification from Professional to Amateur are found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/files/2023_pdga_reclassification_from_pro_to_amateur_criteria.pdf</u>

Reasonable Modification Policy & Adaptive Rules:

This policy allows players with disabilities to apply for rules exemptions where such exemptions may allow them to participate in PDGA-sanctioned events where they otherwise could not. Rules exemptions will be provided on an annual basis requiring resubmission each year, and will not be provided for injuries that are temporary in nature, such as a recoverable injury. See: <u>https://www.pdga.com/medical/reasonable-modification-request</u>. In addition, in July 2023 the PDGA announced an Appendix to the Rules of Play covering Adaptive or Wheelchair athletes. For more information see: <u>https://www.pdga.com/news/adaptive-rules-disc-golf</u>.



Laotian-American Ohn Phommavong Scoggins is the 3 time reigning FP40 World Champion Credit: Lao American Sports



10. 2024 PDGA International Event Standards

- This section outlines the quantitative and qualitative standards and procedures that apply to ALL PDGA Tour Events in the International Countries except for Majors and Disc Golf Pro Tour events.
- These standards accommodate the different stages of development of each country and the models used by each country in their national and local level events and series. It is the responsibility of each National Association and event TD to ensure that the prevailing national standards are met.
- International events must be approved by the national association before they are PDGA sanctioned.
- The host country association will determine the membership requirements, if any, of national player participation. The PDGA requires that out of country current PDGA members, who sign up on time to secure a place in an event, be allowed to participate without paying any extra fees. Exception: This does not apply to national championship events that are open only to nationals of the country in question. See X tiers below.

International Tier Standards	A Tier	B Tier	C Tier	
The following are the minimum of	l quantitative standards to	l be met by PDGA Interna	tional events:	
Sanctioning fee	\$100	\$75	\$50	
Sanctioning deadline	90 days prior	30 days prior	14 days prior	
TD requirements	TD & Assistant TD(s)	must be current PDGA r	nembers and officials.	
Certified Official requirements	1 official per course. TD cannot play event.	1 official per course, TD should not play event	1 official per event	
Player Membership requirements	Current PDGA Member	Current recommended	Current recommended	
Length of event	2 - 4 days	1 - 3 days	1 - 3 days	
Minimum number of holes *	54	36	18 (36 preferred)	
Divisions	Determined	by National Association	and/or TD.	
Minimum Pro Purse	€5000 or US\$5000 or equivalent	€1500 or US\$1500 or equivalent	None, €250 or US\$250 or equivalent recommended	
Trophies / Medals	All division winners	All division winners	All div winners recommended	
% Players paid out	Top 25%+ in all divisions required, Top 33%+ recommended	Top 20%+ in all divisions required, Top 25%+ recommended	TBD by national assoc and/or TD, Top 20%+ recommended	
Pro Payout % of Entry Fees. See examples below.	75%+	50+%	0+% required, 33%+ recommended	
Amateur Payout % of Entry Fees incl player package value. See acceptable items & examples below.	75%+	50+%	0+% required, 33%+ recommended	
Upload Scores to pdga.com via TournamentManager	After each round	After each day	Within 24 hours of completion of event	
Submit Completed TD Report online via TournamentManager	Within 48 hours of event completion	Within 72 hours of event completion	Within one week of event completion	
* Each round of play must include at least 13 holes in order for player and course ratings to be calculated.				

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Qualitative International Tier Standards

In addition to the quantitative indicators listed in the previous table, there are various qualitative indicators that help determine the tier that an event should be sanctioned at. TDs and competitors can use the following additional event quality indicators as a gauge of what to expect at different tier level events:

A Tier	National level events that deliver a top level player experience with many amenities
	Player registration through Disc Golf Scene or other provider
	Live scoring at pdga.com or other scorekeeping app
	Complete web page with event info (inc. accommodation, transport, registration link)
	Event caddy book for players
	Sponsors cover many tournament expenses (ideally 100%+ of entry fees go into Pro payout /Amateur player packages)
	Dedicated staff members with divided responsibilities (IT, course(s), sponsors, communication)
	Video coverage provided
	Framed Tee pads, cut fairways, OB lines all clearly marked (ropes, sticks, paint), 10m and 3m circles around baskets
	Course ready 3 days ahead of event, OBs marked and special rules in place at least 1 full day out
	Toilets on course (Tournament Central and after +/- 9 holes at a minimum)
	Water stations (Tournament Central and after +/- 9 holes at a minimum
	Designated player warm up & spectator areas
	Printed and/or online Spectator Guide with info including etiquette and best practices.
	10+ volunteers during the event for spotting, scorekeeping, players assistance, etc
B Tier	Regional or state/province level events that deliver a high quality and consistent player experience
	Player registration through Disc Golf Scene, PDGA or other online live scoring recommended
	Basic web page
	Sheltered Tournament Central (tent, building near course)
	Level tee pads, cut fairways, OB lines all clearly marked (ropes, sticks, paint), 10m circles
	Course ready to play 1 day ahead of the event
	Toilet(s) and water station(s) provided
	Sponsors cover some tournament expanses & contribute to payout/prizes
	Dedicated tournament staff & non playing volunteers (Tournament Central, spotters, etc)
	The best B tier events will meet some or all A tier standards
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C Tier	Local events that deliver the basic expectations of organized disc golf competitions
	C Tiers can be run easily in 1 day on 1 course with a minimum of staff C Tiers can be large events, many attract 100+ players and offer sizeable player packages and
	payouts
	Event Facebook page, or alternative information source online
	Course in good playable condition with all basic markings in place
	Tournament follows PDGA rules & competition standards
	The best C tier events will meet some or all B tier standards and even some A tier standards



Event Entry Fees & Payouts

 PDGA recommends that International events follow the table below in determining their entry fees in US\$, Euros or their equivalent in another currency. This will help build consistency in your country and around the world.

Tier	МРО	FPO	Other Pro	Amateurs	Juniors
A Tior	€ or \$75-125	€ or \$75-125	€ or \$75-125	€ or \$40-80	€ or \$30-60
A Tier	or equivalent				
P Tior	€ or \$40-80	€ or \$40-80	€ or \$40-80	€ or \$25-50	€ or \$20-40
B Tier	or equivalent				
C Tior	€ or \$0-50	€ or \$0-50	€ or \$0-50	€ or \$0-40	€ or \$0-30
C Tier	or equivalent				

- The use of Net/Gross entry fees at International events has been removed to simplify the calculations of payouts. Players in Pro divisions (MPx, FPx) should expect to receive cash payouts at their events that meet the minimum standards based on the event tier.
- If the event organiser does not want to offer cash payouts, (because it is culturally or historically not what their event or their country has been doing, or there are legal/tax issues in their country), they can offer Amateur events where players compete for merchandise prizes, trophies, and/or receive player packages.

At PDGA sanctioned events, the recommended %s of highest finishers in each division should always receive a portion of their entry fees back as prizes; this extends to all players in the case of True Amateur events. Please see this document for detail on what items are considered part of Amateur Player Package value and what items are not:

https://www.pdga.com/files/pdga_allowable_items_towards_player_pack_value.pdf

- Please note that under the current standards, International event TDs can still use a significant portion of entry fees to cover their event expenses, fees etc. Up to 25% at A-tier events, up to 50% at B-tier events, and 67% at C-tier events. That said, the global norm is for PDGA sanctioned events to return a substantial portion, often exceeding 100% where event sponsorships have been secured, of entry fees to players in purse or prize/player package value, and it is this norm that PDGA hopes will increasingly become the case in those locations where it is not today.
- For Amateur divisions it is easy for a TD to generate money or value based on merchandise purchased at
 wholesale or discounted prices (for example from a disc golf manufacturer sponsor) that is then valued at
 retail cost in Amateur player packs and prizes. For Pro divisions, cash is cash, so TDs should be ensuring
 that enough of the Pro entry fee moneys are set aside for payout, and/or soliciting sponsorships, and/or
 using the Amateur wholesale to retail conversion to generate cash that ensures Pro payout standards are
 met or exceeded. Beyond player entry fees, the difference between the wholesale and retail value of
 amateur prizes and/or player packs is the easiest way to raise funds for disc golf events.

Examples of Pro Payout / Amateur Player Package Value based on Tier Standards and Entry Fees

A National Pro Tour event in Scandinavia sanctions as A-tier. 100 players pay the EUR 80 entry fee. That
amounts to EUR 8000. The required payout is EUR 8000 X 75% entry fees = EUR 6000 which meets the
standard. The event chooses what to do with the remaining EUR 2000. For example, cover direct event
expenses such as toilet rentals, water on the course, food provided free to all players, printing, advertising,
and/or the costs of trophies/medals, and/or provide each pro player with an event logo disc or other cool
disc golf merchandise, and/or increase the pro purse, and/or pay each division a little deeper, and/or enable
the TD9s) to receive some compensation for their efforts.



- An Amateur B Tier event charges its 70 players the local equivalent of \$40 each to play. Every player receives a package worth \$40 retail (= 100% True Amateur Payout) that cost the organizers \$15. The top 3 finishers in each of 5 divisions also receive a trophy worth \$20 each. The remaining \$1450 in entry Fees cover host/park fees, on course water for players, event signage, local charity donation and other event expenses. The organiser could use more than 50% of entry fees for their event expenses, because the retail value of the player packs was already sufficient to cover the minimum requirement.
- A C tier event in a new disc golf country attracts 50 Amateur players paying the equivalent of \$25. The host association or club deducts \$5 per player for its basket fund. All players receive an event logo disc that cost the organizers \$20 including shipping & customs. Any other expenses are covered by the host team. Everyone goes home happy.
- A C tier Pro/Am event has 30 Pros paying EUR 30 each and 40 Ams paying EUR 20 each. The event uses EUR 15 per player for TD fees/wages and has an additional EUR 400 in expenses not covered by sponsors or the organizers. That leaves EUR 250 available for Pro Payout and Amateur Prizes. This is used to give the Pro Winner in each division a small payout and each Amateur division winner a medal or a disc. (This example is deliberately provided because it is not uncommon in some countries today). In this example the event returns less than 15% of entry fees value to the players. As such it is a model that PDGA hopes will become less and less common in the years ahead.

X Tier Events

- Created to accommodate alternate or experimental formats such as doubles, team events, non-basket courses, match play, and overall events.
- The X designation must also be used for Singles events where eligibility is limited based on host country citizenship and/or residence. Example: the Swedish National Championships.
- X Tier events are sanctioned as XA, XB, and XC in accordance with tier guidelines.
- Results must be easily convertible to PDGA divisions for player point calculation and data entry. For this reason, Divisional Doubles (MPO, FPO, MA1, FA1, etc) and Mixed Doubles (male/female) cannot be combined within the same event and require separate sanctioning agreements.

Ratings Based Events and Pros Playing Am

National Associations are responsible for deciding if Ratings Based Events (RBE) and Pros Playing Am (PPA) will be allowed in their country, and to advise their TDs accordingly. The table of RBE and PPA standards is found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/pdga-documents/tour-documents/divisions-ratings-and-points-factors</u>.

PDGA Leagues

- For all countries PDGA sanctioned Leagues are handled entirely by the USA Office. Sanctioning is US\$25 per League, and there is a \$1/player/week fee, half of which is kept by the League organizers. All League fees are paid in US\$ to the PDGA Office. Reporting of League Events may be completely handled through the PDGA Tournament Manager web interface.
- PDGA League formats are currently limited and sanctioned leagues must adhere to the format. The PDGA is exploring how to accommodate other League formats in the future.
- For all the information on PDGA Leagues please see: <u>http://www.pdga.com/leagues</u> or contact the PDGA Event Support Team.

True Amateur Payout

• The PDGA recommends all events offer a True Am payout whereby most of the Am players' payout value is in the player packages all Amateur and Junior players receive, with only the top finisher(s) receiving additional recognition, such as trophy(ies) or medals. For more information see: http://www.pdga.com/files/pdga true amateur event guidelines.pdf



Different Pro & Am Tiers

• A single event may sanction under different tiers for Pro and Amateur players (Example: a Pro C/Am B tier event) by paying the sanctioning fee for the higher tier.

Dual or "Split" Events

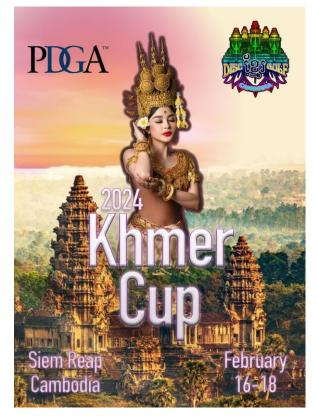
• Dual events split specific divisions on to separate days of the same weekend. Example: All Amateur divisions play on Saturday and all Pro divisions play on Sunday. Because this format allows a single player to play both days in different divisions this event must be treated as two separate events for the purposes of reporting and ratings calculations. TDs using this format submit only a single sanctioning form and sanctioning fee, but must make note on the sanctioning form of which divisions play on which days. TDs must treat the event as two separate events for the purposes of uploading registration lists and event results/reports.

Underserved Demographics:

- To foster the growth of the sport, the PDGA recommends that Tournament Directors provide for the following divisions at sanctioned events:
 - Female-only divisions Junior divisions Senior (age 50 and older) divisions
 - When offering these divisions, the PDGA further recommends that Tournament Directors:
 - Allow these divisions to be contested with less than four players.
 - Where possible, use layouts for these divisions to also include other divisions thereby providing enough Propagators (3) to allow for unofficial round ratings to be calculated.
- The PDGA strongly recommends that at annual National Championship(s) events, all possible divisions based on player ages, class, and gender be offered.



PDGA Events Promotion around the World



Credits: Disc Golf South Africa / Jacob Neff



Insurance

- Neither PDGA nor PDGA Europe provide liability insurance coverage for events outside of USA/Canada. Instead, the decision and responsibility for determining whether insurance is needed or not at a PDGA Tour International event lies with the national associations and individual event TDs.
- National Associations and event TDs are reminded that it is prudent to have event insurance in place in case of the unexpected, and that the provision of said insurance is their responsibility.
- Some countries have an events policy in place, other national associations are covered as members of their government's national sports body or Olympic committee; certain countries also provide insurance of their dues paid players as a benefit of membership.
- At all times competitors should throw only when it is completely safe to do so.
- Where insurance is not in place, events should, at a minimum, be requiring players to sign a waiver.

Specific Rules and Competition Standards - Reminders & Clarifications:

Course Rules: It is the event's responsibility to provide, at minimum, a specific course rules sheet, and ideally a course map, to every player so they can play the course correctly and as intended.

Mandatory: Any Mandatory that does not have a Drop Zone within 10 meters of the Mandatory, requires a waiver from the Europe Tour Manager or Event Support Team. This includes all Mandatories that do not have a defined Drop Zone and thereby require a throw from the previous lie.

Round Scores for Players who do not start/finish a round:

Enter 888 when a player has not notified the TD they will not be playing the next scheduled round. Enter 888 when a player is confirmed to have manipulated their score or dropped out to preserve their rating. Enter 999 for all other cases where a player was not able to finish the round. Players that never start the event (no-shows) must be removed from the event entirely.

Must have PDGA member # to accept Pro cash: Per the Competition Manual 1.10A, this standard, which was introduced in 2023, addresses the integrity of competition. It means people cannot take Pro cash at a PDGA Tour event, subsequently join the PDGA as an Amateur, and then compete in Amateur divisions for which they would not qualify, had they accepted cash while having a PDGA number. It does not require current membership, only that the person has a PDGA number.

Provision of Water and Restrooms at Events: the PDGA recommended standards can be found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/pdga-documents/tour-documents/pdga-water-and-bathroom-recommendations</u>

PDGA Mid-Event Weather Suspension & Cancellation Guidelines - These guidelines are provided to help TDs manage their events in a consistent manner when dangerous conditions require the suspension or cancellation of the event: <u>https://www.pdga.com/pdga-documents/tournament-resources/pdga-mid-event-suspension-and-cancellation</u>.

Recommended Minimum Distances in Kilometers between PDGA International Events

The PDGA gives priority of dates to Majors, EDGF European Championship, and EuroTour Series events. National Associations and Country Coordinators have the authority for organizing the scheduling of all other PDGA International sanctioned events. A Pro only and an Amateur only event do not conflict.

Tier	Major	Α	В	С	League
Α	1000	500	250	150	50
В	500	250	150	100	25
С	200	150	100	50	0



Target Requirements

The following target requirements apply to ALL PDGA sanctioned events:

PDGA Target Requirements ¹	Major	A Tier	B Tier	C Tier
PDGA approved Championship ² targets of same design and manufacturer	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
PDGA approved Standard ² targets. Same design and manufacturer recommended			\checkmark	\checkmark
PDGA approved Basic ² target or non- approved target with basket				\checkmark
PDGA approved Object ³ target			X-Tier	X-Tier

¹ Events that do not meet requirements may request a waiver from the Event Support Team. ² Please see Technical Standards document for more information on targets classified as Championship, Standard, Basic or Object at:

www.pdga.com/documents/pdga-technical-standards-manufacturers-guidelines

³ Object targets are allowed under XB and XC Tier events but this must be specified when filing the sanctioning agreement.



Learning to play in Guatemala

Credit: UPlay Disc Golf



11. 2024 PDGA World Championships

Event Dates	Official Name	City	State	Country
June 11-15	PDGA Masters (Am & Pro) World Championships	Emporia	Kansas	USA
July 16-20	PDGA Junior World Championships	Tulsa	Oklahoma	USA
August 6-10	PDGA Amateur (MA1/FA1) World Championships	Grand Rapids	Michigan	USA
August 21-25	PDGA Professional (MPO/FPO) World Championships	Lynchburg	Virginia	USA

Details on these 2024 events and the PDGA Worlds bid documents can be found at: <u>http://www.pdga.com/world-championships</u>. There, click on the link to each event for the qualification standards and registration schedules.

Recently the PDGA announced that the 2025 Pro World Championships will be held in Europe, and specifically in Tampere/Nokia, Finland, for the 1st time ever.

12. 2024 PDGA International Major & Championship Events

Event Dates	Tier	Official Name	City	Country	Website
July 17-21	М	European Open	Nokia	Finland	http://www.opendiscgolf.com/
November 6-9	XA	WFDF Disc Golf World Team Championships	Perth	Australia	https://wfdf.sport/

European Disc Golf Championships

The biennial European Championships are managed by the European Disc Golf Federation (EDGF) and the event hosts. Entry is restricted to qualified European citizens and residents. The next editions will be in 2025. For more info: <u>https://discgolffederation.eu/</u>

WFDF World Disc Golf Team Championships

The WFDF World Team Championships are held every 2 years. The 2022 edition in Croatia drew a record 25 countries, with Estonia winning Gold, Czechia Silver and Canada Bronze. The 2024 edition will be in Australia. For more info: <u>https://wfdf.sport/</u>

The PDGA supports International Major events, the European Championships and the WFDF Team World Championships with financial sponsorship, social media promotion, live scoring and on-site presence.



2022 WFDF World Team Championships Participants

Credit: WFDF



13. PDGA International Disciplinary Guidelines

The PDGA Disciplinary process as it relates to the International countries is as follows:

When an incident occurs at a PDGA sanctioned A, B, or C tier event it is the host country association, where the event took place, that must first decide if this matter is to be sent to the PDGA Disciplinary Committee for review. (Note - Incidents at Major or Elite events are reviewed directly by on site PDGA representatives and/or the DGPT, together with the event TD, prior to submission.)

This process begins with either a reporting PDGA member submitting a completed Disciplinary Action form to the host country association, or the association can complete the form itself.

Options for how then to proceed are as follows:

- 1. If the national association decides that the incident requires action it should send the completed form on to the Committee.
- 2. If the national association decides that it does not wish to investigate the issue, for reasons including:
 - The incident involves a player who is participating in an event in a country in which they are neither citizen nor resident
 - The association determines it does not have the capacity or experience to investigate the issue Then it should also submit the Form directly to the Disciplinary Committee
- 3. If a national association decides that an incident is not severe enough to warrant pursuing disciplinary action, and a PDGA member disagrees, the member may submit the Form provided it is accompanied by the signatures of at least 10 current PDGA members.

Note: National Associations, should they so choose, and as part of their authority over their domestic affairs, may suspend one of their own members from playing in PDGA and non-PDGA events that they have sanctioned. However, in such cases the National Association bears full responsibility for any consequences of their action, and the suspension only applies within the borders of the country in question. Examples: Instances where a player is disciplined for actions unbecoming of a national member, or where an action form has been submitted to PDGA but is taking a while to be handled by the Disciplinary Committee due to a backlog of cases being investigated. In comparison, PDGA disciplinary action, when administered to a member, applies to all PDGA events and member privileges worldwide.

The Disciplinary Action Form can be found here: <u>https://www.pdga.com/documents/disciplinary-action-form</u> .

For more info on the PDGA Disciplinary procedures see: https://www.pdga.com/documents/disciplinary-process



Beneficiaries of the Paul McBeth Foundation Project in Katosi, Uganda, supported by PDGA Credit: PMF



14. Marco Polo Program

The goals of the Marco Polo Program are to support the introduction of Disc Golf into new countries and to strengthen its development in other countries around the world. The program provides funding for innovative international projects that promote the growth of Disc Golf, and that create links between PDGA, the countries, and the local Disc Golf communities. To date funding grants have been awarded to 25 countries. In 2023, grant recipients included: Mexico, Venezuela, Cuba, Belize, and Okinawa, Japan.

In order to increase impact, in 2022 the PDGA and the Marco Polo program also began partnering on a larger scale with the Paul McBeth Foundation - <u>https://www.paulmcbethfoundation.org/</u> - and UPlay - <u>https://www.uplaydiscgolf.org/</u>, two leading disc golf not-for-profits who share the goal of growing the game in underserved areas. Counties involved in this strategy to date, include: Uganda, Kenya, Zambia, Colombia, Nicaragua, and Uruguay.

Marco Polo grants will be provided to PDGA international members in, and to USA/Canada members who have the opportunity to travel to, Latin America, Asia, Oceania, and/or Africa. Materials and equipment purchased with grant funding must become the property of an in-country participating not-for–profit disc golf, sports or community association or group, and not the individual project organizers. All projects receiving support submit progress reports and a comprehensive final report per the agreement they sign. Please note that a new PDGA Europe Disc Golf Development Fund was launched in 2022, replacing the Marco Polo Program in European Countries.

For more information on the Marco Polo Program, including the Application Form and examples of Project Reports from recipients to date please see: <u>http://www.pdga.com/marco-polo-program</u>.



Marco Polo Program in action: Introducing the game in Cuba

Credit: PDGA Media



Part 2: PDGA Europe



Estonia's Kristin Tattar is the World #1 and 2-time reigning World Champion. In 2023 she won Disc Golf's Grand Slam by sweeping the FPO division PDGA Tour Majors. Credit: Delfi Media



15. PDGA Europe Overview

In 2017, the PDGA Europe Committee and the PDGA Global Board voted to approve the International Director's Concept Paper for the Transition of PDGA Europe towards a self-governing and self-sustaining continental branch of PDGA Global, and to establish a PDGA Europe Board of Directors.

To date PDGA Europe's achievements include:

- Survey of European members on membership package contents and fulfillment
- Monthly teleconferences conducting ongoing business
- Annual in person summits of the Europe Board and staff together with PDGA Global representatives
- Organization and delivery of the annual showcase Euro Tour Series
- The hiring and training of a full time Europe Tour Manager in March 2019
- Registration of PDGA Europe as a not for profit in Finland in September 2019
- Opening a PDGA Europe Office in a Finland Sports building in Helsinki
- Completion of annual Strategic Plans, starting 2022 led by the Board President
- Design and implementation of expanding annual budgets, utilizing the bulk of the Europe sourced membership and event sanctioning funds received by the Global office
- Launched the PDGA Europe web shop, see: <u>https://www.ultimo.cz/en/euro-tour/</u>
- Raised €3600 through a Ukraine Open fundraiser and donated an additional €2500 in support of disc golf in Ukraine
- Following 2 years of cancellations due to Covid, delivery of the biggest ever Euro Tour Series in 2022 and 2023, in partnership with the Disc Golf Pro Tour
- Introduction of the PDGA Europe Disc Golf Development Program in 2022
- Inaugural PDGA Europe Annual General Meetings in September 2022 and November 2023
- Inaugural 2023 PDGA Europe Women's Event
- Hiring and training of a Marketing & Media Manager in March 2023
- Hiring of a General Manager in September 2023
- Supported the unification of the Euro Tour and European Pro Tour into the stand-alone Disc Golf Pro Tour – Europe Elite Series for 2024
- Design and implementation of a Countries Support Program, in collaboration with the National Associations and the European Disc Golf Federation (EDGF), beginning 2024

Contacts & Resources:

PDGA Europe resources and information can be found at <u>www.pdga.com/europe</u> .

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Instagram - https://www.instagram.com/pdgaeurope/

Media Hub - https://www.pdgaeurotour.com/media-policy.html

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PDGA Europe Summit Attendees, Costa Ballena, Spain, October 2023.

16. PDGA Europe Disc Golf Development Program

The PDGA Europe Development Program was launched in 2022, as a means for reinvesting some of the funds PDGA receives from European member and event fees, directly back into the growth of the game on the European continent. This initiative replaces the Marco Polo Program within Europe. Grants are available in support of new courses, course upgrades, women's, juniors' and schools/community programs, and other well-formulated projects. In 2022 & 2023 a total of 14 grants were awarded to 9 different countries. For more information please see: https://www.pdga.com/europe/disc-golf-development-grant-program.





The Parco Lambro course in Milan was extended from 12 to 18 holes thanks to a PDGA Europe Grant



The UK Women's DG Association was another recipient of a PDGA Europe Grant in 2022-23



17. 2024 Disc Golf Pro Tour - Europe Series

Following the 2023 Euro Tour and European Pro Tour seasons, negotiations were completed to merge these 2 initiatives into one unified effort, under the banner of Disc Golf Pro Tour – Europe. The Series will feature 5 Elite level MPO/FPO events (see schedule below) and 6 Silver Series events. PDGA Europe will be supporting the events with assistance similar to that provided by the PDGA Global Operations and Logistics team at DGPT events in USA. For more information see: <u>https://www.dgpt.com/news/dgpt-europe-about/</u>

Event Class	Dates	Name	Location
Silver	May 3 - 5	Belgian Open	Braine-l'Alleud, Belgium
Elite	May 10 – 12	Copenhagen Open	Copenhagen, Denmark
Silver	May 31 - June 2	Norway Open	Tønsberg, Norway
Silver	June 7 - 9	Heinola Open	Heinola, Finland
Elite	June 14 – 16	Turku Open	Turku, Finland
Silver	June 21 - 23	Ale Open	Nol, Sweden
Elite	June 28 – 30	Swedish Open	Boras, Sweden
Elite	July 12 – 14	Krokhol Open	Oslo, Norway
Elite	July 26 – 28	European Disc Golf Festival	Tallinn, Estonia
Silver	August 2 - 4	Järva Open x Tyyni	Stockholm, Sweden
Silver	August 9 - 11	Baltic Championship / Tour Finale	Alutaguse, Estonia



Estonia's Kristin Tattar and Sweden's Dennis Augustsson won the 2023 European Championships Credits: Celine's Lightroom



18. European Countries Support Program

The fact that the PDGA Euro Tour will not be held in 2024 is enabling PDGA Europe to focus some of its financial and human resources on other priorities. The major program now being launched, in collaboration with EDGF, is aimed at increasing support to the 29 Affiliated European National Disc Golf Associations. This will begin with a diagnosis of the current situation of the sport in each country that will determine how and where effective assistance can best be provided.

The plan consists of four phases:

1. An interview with each PDGA Country Coordinator will be conducted, aimed at building a statistical analysis of recent years (evolution of the number of members, courses, events, inhabitants, GDP per capita, etc.) and aspects such as international competitions, the educational system, feedback channels, training of TDs, legal differences, Grant Program, relations with the press, broadcasting of National Championships, etc. in order to be able to compare, share ideas, propose successful measures from other countries, etc.

2. A comprehensive survey will then be conducted of the National Associations to study organizational aspects such as the level of national recognition of Disc Golf and the Association, membership type, fees, clubs, etc. This is an update of the PDGA's 2015 International Countries Survey, which has the advantage of allowing the study of the temporal evolution in each country and comparing it with others in Asia, Oceania or Latin America. 3. A second meeting with the PDGA National Coordinator and the President of the National Association will serve to analyze the results and establish priorities for this Support Plan as well as possible coordinated actions with neighbouring countries.

4. Finally, after updating the global vision of the situation of Disc Golf in the Old Continent, PDGA Europe and the European Disc Golf Federation will share their conclusions in order to improve the coordination between both entities in their respective areas of action in order to continue working for the growth of European Disc Golf at all levels.

19. PDGA Europe Women's Event

In 2023 the first PDGA Europe Women's Event was held with 16 events and 13 different countries participating. Future editions will be held biennially, beginning in 2025, during the years when the PDGA Women's Global Event is not offered. This event demonstrates the commitment of PDGA Europe to Women's participation in Disc Golf by providing Women with a platform for both their inclusion and celebration.



Finland's Silva Saarinen won the 2023 Euro Tour Finals Credit: Heikki Saukkomaa



20. PDGA Europe Awards

Volunteer of the Year

Created in 2009, this award is voted on by the PDGA Europe Board of Directors

2009 Florence Dumont	2014 Janne Karlsson	2019 Kasper Andersen
2010 Peter Bygde	2015 Marko Saviauk	2020 Tapani Aulu
2011 Jonas & Mats Löf	2016 Peter Buijsrogge	2021 Zoë Winfield
2012 Darius Gricius	2017 Carlos Rio	2022 Rene Mikkelsen
2013 Laura Nagtegaal	2018 Dinko Šimenc	2023 Henrik Rydén

Players of the Year

Since 2014, winners have been determined by a points system that includes year-end Player Ratings, and places of finish on the EuroTour Series, at PDGA Majors, Elite Series, A tiers and the European Championships.

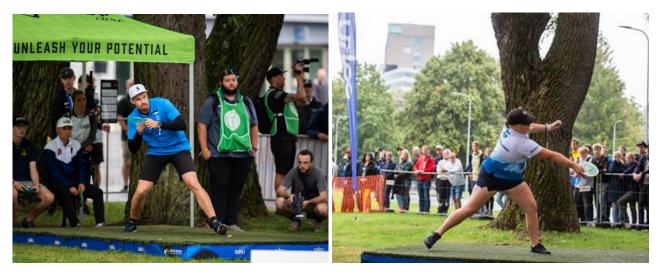
2014 Simon Lizotte & Ragna Bygde	2019 Simon Lizotte & Kristin Tattar
2015 Simon Lizotte & Ragna Bygde	2020 Not Awarded due to Covid
2016 Karl Johan Nybo & Eveliina Salonen	2021 Linus Carlsson & Kristin Tattar
2017 Simon Lizotte & Eveliina Salonen	2022 Niklas Anttila & Kristin Tattar
2018 Seppo Paju & Kristin Tattar	2023 Niklas Anttila & Kristin Tattar



Finland's Niklas Anttila is Europe's top rated male player

Credit: PDGA Media





Estonia's Albert Tamm & Finland's Eveliina Salonen demonstrate superb form at the Euro Championships Credits: Celine's Lightroom



In 2023 Denmark's Martin Spliid & Latitude 64 organized the 1st course installations in Greenland Credit: Latitude 64



PDGA International Membership Benefits

There are many benefits of being a current PDGA International member. Some are direct benefits to the individual, while others are more indirect, and reflect the growth and development of the sport as a whole.

The direct benefits of PDGA membership include:

- 1. All renewing members receive a basic membership package including current year member card and sticker.
- 2. New, first-time members also receive their lifetime member #. Renewing members receive an annual PDGA logo bag tag.
- 3. Current members are eligible to compete in all levels of PDGA Tour events where they earn points towards invitations to Major events including the PDGA World Championships. Current PDGA members can track their tournament season and career results at their own personal stats pages at www.pdga.com.
- 4. PDGA members also gain their own very cool player rating, based on their round by round performances at Tour events. The PDGA Ratings system measures a player's ongoing level of play, enabling them to compare their game with friends and rivals, and with the best disc golfers in their country and around the world. Qualification for an increasing number of top level events is now based on player ratings.
- 5. Current International members also have the option to receive the informative PDGA e-newsletter (free), and to purchase a subscription to the PDGA's *DiscGolfer* magazine, the printed copy of the Official Rules of Play & Competition Manual in English, as well as PDGA logo minis and discs.
- All current members qualify for a 50% discount to the Disc Golf Network, which features live coverage of Tour Majors and the Disc Golf Pro Tour Elite Series. For more info see: <u>https://www.dgpt.com/news/your-complete-guide-to-navigating-dgn-2-0/</u>.
- Pulsea Disc Golf Academy is providing current PDGA members with a 30-day free trial to their online academy. Pulsea currently has nearly 500 short video lessons taught by top professionals. In addition, current PDGA members are eligible to receive a 70% discount on an annual subscription. For more info see: <u>https://www.pulsea.com/pdga-benefit</u>.
- As an added benefit, the PDGA has partnered with Entertainment Benefits Group to bring members deals on hotel and travel rates to support their tournament schedule. For more info go to: <u>https://www.pdga.com/news/new-member-benefits</u>
- The ability to vote in annual PDGA Board of Director elections, run for a Board position, or serve on a PDGA Committee. All current members can vote in PDGA Global elections; European current members can also vote in PDGA Europe Board elections.

PDGA Member fees are also used to support many other activities and programs – the indirect benefits of membership – including:

1. The development, maintenance and innovation of the PDGA database, websites, and software, including Disc Golf Scene, LiveApp, TournamentManager software, Tournament Central and Live Scoring

- 2. The on-line worldwide Course Directory which now has more than 10,000 listings in more than 75 countries/regions.
- 3. The work of the PDGA Staff in running the organization day to day maintenance of the now huge memberships and events system, accounting, the management and delivery of the annual Pro, Amateur, Masters and Junior World Championships, other Major events, annual refinements to the system, and so on. Since March 2020 this has also included management of the Covid-19 pandemic as it impacts our sport.
- 4. Governance by the volunteer Boards of Directors and the work of the volunteer Committee members who review and revise the Rules of Play, test and approve discs and baskets for sanctioned play, develop the Tour and competition standards, oversee the course and player ratings system, investigate Disciplinary issues, and examine other important aspects of disc golf from the environment to sustainability to how to grow participation among women, juniors and visible minorities.
- 5. The marketing of disc golf to the public, sponsors, social and traditional media, including live web TV & post production coverage of leading events, print materials notably *DiscGolfer* magazine, representation of the sport at trade shows, photography, videos on disc golf instruction, leading events, great shots, etc.
- 6. The International Program, which is strengthening and supporting the growth of disc golf and the PDGA brand in 50 affiliated countries.
- 7. The Marco Polo Program and the PDGA Europe Development Fund both of which support the introduction and development of the sport in new locales and countries.
- 8. The International Disc Golf Center, in Wildwood Park, Columbia County, Georgia, which opened in April 2007. A fabulous resource and headquarters for the sport, the IDGC is home to the Disc Golf Hall of Fame, the Steady Ed Headrick Museum, the PDGA offices, and 3 world class courses.

All these PDGA activities and programs build credibility for disc golf and contribute to the formalization, growth, and UNITY of the sport. In short, as a PDGA member you enjoy all the direct benefits of membership as listed above, while also supporting and promoting the development of the sport and the PDGA around the world.



Join the PDGA. The professional association for ALL disc golfers!

Disc Retrieval at the European Open in Nokia, Finland Credit: Eino Ansio / Spin18



2020 - 2023 PDGA Continental & Worldwide Demographics

COUNTRY / REGION	ISO	2020	2021	2022	Dec 29/23	3 2020		2021	2022	Dec 29/23
	Code	Current	Current	Current	Current		Tour	Tour	Tour	Tour
		Members	Members	Members	Members		Events	Events	Events	Events
NORTH AMERICA										
United States	US	56943	88148	103342	106439		2592	5465	6914	8105
Canada	CA	2050	3559	4964	5478		88	203	294	369
SUB-TOTAL		58993	91707	108306	111917		2680	5668	7208	8474
North America Growth F	Rates	35.4%	55.5%	18.1%	3.3%		-25.6%	111.5%	27.2%	17.6%
EUROPE										
Åland Islands	AX	3	13	18	18		0	0	0	3
Armenia	AM	0	1	6	1		0	0	0	0
Austria	AT	196	365	380	377		8	15	17	20
Belgium	BE	41	92	91	98		4	8	11	15
Bulgaria	BG	0	0	0	2		0	0	0	0
Croatia	HR	30	39	53	61		10	16	22	23
Cyprus	CY	0	0	1	0		0	0	0	0
Czech Rep	CZ	276	351	456	531		19	30	45	63
Denmark	DK	550	952	1054	1177		31	50	68	88
Estonia	EE	1018	1253	1447	1417		42	48	74	80
Finland	FI	3317	4310	4637	4562		197	248	316	375
France	FR	331	426	509	562		18	23	57	62
Germany	DE	504	658	819	931		33	43	76	99
Greece	GR	2	1	1	4		0	0	0	0
Hungary	HU	22	34	36	36		3	4	3	6
Iceland	IS	143	263	309	292		14	19	44	50
Ireland	IE	12	19	30	32		4	1	0	0
Isle of Man	IM	0	2	1	1		0	0	0	0
Italy	П	27	38	56	62		1	3	6	8
Latvia	LV	56	97	219	335		11	7	23	33
Lithuania	LT	79	171	179	202		14	14	19	21
Luxembourg	LU	6	12	18	17		0	2	1	3
Montenegro	ME	0	0	2	10		0	0	0	1
Netherlands	NL	123	196	262	302		11	18	52	41
Norway	NO	1249	2226	3264	3462		50	111	154	169
Poland	PL	57	120	151	211		4	13	11	23
Portugal	PT	7	13	19	27		0	2	2	3
Romania	RO	0	0	0	1		0	0	0	0
Russia	RU	31	51	36	1		9	16	0	0
Serbia	RS	21	26	24	28		4	9	9	14
Slovakia	SK	28	32	34	43		2	4	4	4
Slovenia	SI	28	31	43	41		3	4	7	10
Spain	ES	74	106	131	158		8	15	32	49
Sweden	SE	2157	3865	4955	5544		154	242	352	421
Switzerland	СН	165	210	269	301		5	13	34	14
Turkey	TR	0	1	1	1		0	0	0	0
Ukraine	UA	35	37	24	38		5	6	2	10
United Kingdom	GB	362	582	689	702		14	51	92	79
SUB-TOTAL	66	10950	16593	20224	21588		678	1035	92 1533	179 1787
Europe Growth Rates:		22.7%	52.1%	20224	6.7%		-26.5%	52.4%	48.1%	16.6%

Notes: As of end 2023, there are current PDGA members in 82 countries/regions, 85 when Scotland, Wales & N. Ireland are factored in. 2023 PDGA Tour events were held in 52 nation states. Europe includes 29 of the 51 PDGA affiliated countries and accounts for about 87% of PDGA members & events outside of USA/Canada. Oceania is the next largest region, while Latin America led all continents in growth %s in 2023.

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Japan Malaysia Mongolia North Korea	JP		0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Malaysia Mongolia North Korea		2	2	7	6	0	0	0	0
Mongolia North Korea		108	122	170	187	9	4	22	21
North Korea	MY	39	33	25	29	6	5	7	7
	MN KP	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0
Philippines	PH	2	2	0 27	66	 0	0	0 1	5
Qatar	QA	1	1	0	00	0	0	0	5 0
Saudi Arabia	SA	3	5	5	4	 0	0	0	0
Singapore	SG	33	32	50	45	 3	3	6	4
South Korea	KR	32	16	16	47	3	3	3	2
Thailand	тн	23	21	39	58	3	2	10	9
UAE	AE	0	2	1	1	0	0	0	0
Vietnam	VN	7	3	7	6	1	0	0	0
SUB-TOTAL		326	293	441	591	30	23	55	60
Asia Growth Rates:		-1.2%	-9.3%	50.5%	34.0%	-50.8%	-25.8%	139.1%	9.1%
LATIN AMERICA & CARIB									
Argentina	AR	0	0	0	2	 0	0	0	0
Aruba	AW	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Belize	BZ	10	15	34	87	3	6	13	18
Brazil	BR	2	5	5	2	0	1	1	1
Chile	CL	0	2	3	3	0	0	0	0
Colombia	СО	4	21	45	106	0	1	5	15
Costa Rica	CR	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0
Cuba	CU	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
Dominican Republic	DO	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
El Salvador	SV	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
French Guiana	GF	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guatemala	GT	0	1	6	10	0	0	1	1
Mexico	MX	20	50	117	161	1	3	13	33
Nicaragua Panama	NI PA	3	1	0	0	 1	0	0	0
Panama Puerto Rico	PR	7	6	8		 0	0	0	1
Turks & Caicos	TC	0	1	0	0	 0	0	0	0
Uruguay	UY	0	0	0	1	 0	0	0	0
Venezuela	VE	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0
SUB-TOTAL		48	104	223	399	5	11	33	69
LA & Caribbean Growth R	Rates:	84.6%	116.7%	114.4%	78.9%	 25.0%	120.0%	200.0%	109.1%
AFRICA									
Ethiopia	ET	4	7	9	1	 1	2	1	0
Kenya	KE	0	2	3	8	 0	0	0	2
Mauritius	MU	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	0
Morocco	MA	0	0	5	6	0	0	0	0
South Africa	ZA	2	1	34	43	0	0	4	8
Uganda	UG	0	0	3	19	0	0	0	1
Zambia	ZM	31	25	31	18	 1	2	1	3
Zimbabwe	ZW	0	0	0	4	 0	0	0	0
SUB-TOTAL		38	36	86	100	 2	5	6	14
Africa Growth Rates:		111.1%	-9.5%	138.9%	16.3%	-33.3%	250.0%	20.0%	133.3%
WORLDWIDE TOTALS		71016	109795	130791	136347	3437	6827	8977	10551
Worldwide Growth Rate		33.1%	54.6%	18.3%	4.2%	 -26.1%	98.6%	31.2%	17.5%

PDGA Course Directory Count by Country

As of December 31, 2023 there were 10691 courses in 81 countries & territories listed in the PDGA Course Directory

For more information see: <u>https://www.pdga.com/course-directory</u>

INTERNATIONAL					
Europe	2160	Switzerland	41	Oceania	153
Åland Islands	14	Ukraine	4	Australia	95
Austria	22	United Kingdom	111	Guam	1
Belarus	1	Latin America & Caribbean	59	New Zealand	57
Belgium	9	Antarctica	1	Asia	148
Croatia	6	Argentina	1	British Indian Ocean Terr	1
Czech Republic	103	Belize	10	Cambodia	1
Denmark	83	Brazil	2	China	4
Estonia	156	Colombia	10	Chinese Taipei	4
Finland	742	Costa Rica	3	Iran	1
France	114	Cuba	1	Israel	3
Germany	131	Curacao	1	Japan	75
Greenland	2	Dominican Republic	1	Malaysia	13
Hungary	4	Ecuador	1	Mongolia	1
Iceland	63	Guatemala	1	Phllippines	7
Ireland	4	Honduras	3	Qatar	1
Italy	8	Mexico	16	Saudi Arabia	1
Latvia	26	Nicaragua	5	Singapore	6
Lithuania	14	Peru	1	South Korea	17
Luxemburg	3	Puerto Rico	1	Thailand	10
Montenegro	1	Virgin Islands	1	Turkey	1
Netherlands	24	Africa	21	Uzbekistan	1
Norway	136	Ethiopia	3	Vietnam	1
Poland	14	Kenya	2		
Portugal	1	Mauritius	2		
Romania	1	Namibia	1		
Russia	9	South Africa	9	Summary	
Slovakia	12	Тодо	1	USA	7747
Slovenia	9	Uganda	1	Canada	403
Spain	25	Zambia	2	International	2541
Sweden	267			Total Courses	10691