



Exemption Criteria

**New Jersey State Golf Association
120th Amateur Championship
Presented by: Provident Bank
Essex Fells Country Club – Essex Fells, NJ
July 6-8, 2021**

The following players are exempt from sectional qualifying for the 120th Amateur Championship provided they submit their entry prior to the closing date and meet all other eligibility requirements:

1. Champions of the NJSGA Amateur Championship from 1900 – 2007.*
2. Champions of the previous ten NJSGA Amateur Championships (2011-2020).*
3. Champions of the previous five NJSGA Mid-Amateur Championships (2017-2021).
4. Amateur Champions of the NJSGA Open Championship in the past ten years (2011-2020).
5. Low fifteen finishers (plus ties) from the 2020 Amateur Championship.
6. Low five Amateurs at the 2020 NJSGA Open Championship.
7. The 2020 NJSGA Senior Amateur Champion.
8. The 2020 NJSGA Pre-Senior Amateur Champion.
9. The 2020 NJSGA Junior Champion.
10. The low three finishers (plus ties) of the 2020 NJSGA Men's Public Links Championship.
11. The Low Amateur of the 2021 NJSGA/NJPGA Senior Open Championship.
12. The top ten players from the final 2020 NJSGA Player of the Year Standings.
13. The 2020 MGA Amateur (Match Play) Champions.
14. The 2020 GAP Patterson Cup (Stroke Play) Champion.
15. The 2021 MGA Ike (Stroke Play) Champion.
16. The 2021 GAP Amateur (Match Play) Champion.
17. The 2021 NJ State High School Champion.
18. Players who qualified for the 2020 US Amateur, US Senior Open, US Mid-Amateur (Match Play), US Senior Amateur (Match Play), and US Junior Amateur (Match Play) Championships.
19. Players who qualify for the 2021 US Open (Sectional).
20. Players who reach the semifinals of the 2021 NJSGA Mid-Amateur Championship.
21. The 2020 South Jersey Cup Champion.
22. The reigning club champion of Essex Fells Country Club, or the club's designee.
23. Special invitee of the NJSGA Committee.

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