

Environmental

RBC Canadian Open



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COMMITTEE DESCRIPTION

The Environmental committee has the potential to be one of the busiest committees at the Open. The objective for this committee is to create awareness for spectators, sponsors, volunteers and suppliers on the RBC Canadian Open's "greening" initiatives. While creating awareness for these initiatives, this committee will also deal first hand with each aspect of the program and try to help maintain the "greening" of the tournament as a whole. The committee will be assigned to several stations throughout the course to help make sure this event not only is one of the greenest PGA Tour events on Tour, but help make this event one of the greenest events throughout all of Canada.

Members of this volunteer committee will be highly visible to officials, volunteers, suppliers and spectators so it is important that each member be familiar with the event. Spectators are very likely to ask questions to these volunteers and therefore the committee must familiarize themselves with the events happening during the week, as well as the layout of the course and location of key areas on site (Spectator Village, Skyboxes, Concessions, Pro Shop, Driving Range etc).

Golf Canada will traditionally hire a local service group to handle all the garbage and recycle pick up duties. This is not part of the environmental committee's role. There will still be an Ecology committee going around and picking up all the full garbage bags after play at night. It is the environmental committee's role to ensure that all garbage and recycling is placed in the appropriate receptacles. Other duties will include manning the free refillable water stations on site, helping out with and educating the general public about the particular greening initiatives that the tournament is trying to achieve. Manning the sorting stations located at main and high traffic areas to sort waste into appropriate receptacles. New to the RBC Canadian Open are the Zero Waste Stations. The Zero Waste Stations will be set up in high traffic areas on course where fans will drop off their various waste items and volunteers will sort the materials into recycling and compost bins. These stations will help make the tournament a 'greener' event.

Ideal number of volunteers: 1 Chair, 1 Vice Chair and approximately 30-50 volunteers. There will be a minimum of 10 volunteers per shift Monday – Wednesday and a minimum of 25 volunteers per shift Thursday – Sunday.

COMMITTEE FUNCTIONS

The Environmental committee will be responsible for:

- Manning the water stations
 - Committee members will work at each of the 5 water stations located around the golf course and fill up patrons' water bottles free of charge. This initiative will help keep plastic water bottles on site to a minimum and encourage spectators, volunteers and suppliers alike to purchase a refillable water bottle that they can refill at any of these stations onsite for the week.
 - In order to keep the water at these stations cool, the environmental committee will be in close contact with the grounds and course committee. Grounds and Course will be responsible for delivery of ice to each of these water stations. Should the ice levels be low and a station require more, a simple call on the radio to grounds and course will solve that problem.
- Helping with the bike corral
 - Having a location for patrons to store their bikes while at the event will encourage more people to leave their vehicles at home and bike to the event. This committee will be in charge

of manning the bike coral and ensuring that all the bikes are safe and that everyone who leaves a bike, gets it back at the end of the day. This will be done on a ticket check system.

- Receiving and sorting of patrons waste into the proper receptacles
 - In order to green the event, we have to educate the public first. The only way to ensure that trash and recyclables make it to their appropriate bins is if we have people managing and educating the public on what to do with their trash. There will be a few stations located in high traffic areas where spectators, volunteers and officials can bring their trash to the volunteers of the environmental committee. These members will then dispose of each item in the appropriate receptacle.
 - In an effort to educate the public, signs will be used at each trash and recycle receptacle that explain to the patron what can and cannot be dumped into each receptacle.

Each of these duties will be discussed with the committee chair people well in advance of the tournament to ensure that this committee is trained well on the goals of these greening initiatives for the event. The committee head quarters where all volunteers will check in will be located either in the volunteer centre or in another location decided by the Golf Canada Operations Manager well in advance of the Tournament.

HOURS OF OPERATION

Volunteers will be required Monday to Sunday from 6:00am to 8:00pm. Monday – Wednesday, minimum 10 volunteers will be required per shift. Thursday-Sunday, minimum 20 volunteers will be required each shift. Shifts will be broken up with a morning, afternoon, and evening shift.

EQUIPMENT CHECKLIST

Golf Canada will furnish and supply the following items for the committee. Please ensure that all the supplies have arrived and are accounted for before the beginning of the first shift on Monday.

- Water stations on the golf course (typically there are 4 and they will be included on site map)
- Tent (10 x 10) unless the HQ is located within the volunteer centre
- Storage area (if applicable for water bottles)
- Tables for trash sorting areas
- Chairs
- Ice for water stations
- Gloves (for trash sorters)
- Refillable water bottle