



2017-2018 WSOP Circuit Frequently Asked Questions

How many Circuit stops are there this year?

- As of July 2017, there are 26 stops scheduled on the U.S. Circuit, and another 13 on the International Circuit. It is possible that these numbers may change. All stops are listed on the [U.S. Circuit schedule](#) or the [International Circuit schedule](#).

What is the Global Casino Championship (GCC)?

- The Global Casino Championship (formerly the National Championship) is an invitation-only tournament that concludes each Circuit season. Most participants earn their entries for free, and the prizepool has \$1,000,000 added by WSOP.

How do I qualify for the Global Casino Championship?

- There two ways to enter: earn a free seat, or buy in directly.
- At each Circuit stop during the 2017-18 season (expected to be 26 U.S. stops and 13 international), two players earn an **automatic berth** to the GCC – the Main Event winner and the Casino Champion. The Casino Champion is the player who earns the most [Circuit points](#) over the course of the 12 official ring events (open events only).
- At the end of the season, the 50 players at the top of the [season-long leaderboard](#) each earn an **at-large berth**. This applies to the U.S. Circuit only. International stops do not earn points toward an at-large berth.
- That's an expected 128 free entries. If additional Circuit stops are added to the schedule, there will be an additional two automatic entries for each new stop. If any stops are removed from the schedule, the number of automatic qualifiers will be reduced by two per stop.
- Players in the top 100 of the [2017 WSOP player-of-the-year standings](#), have the opportunity to buy in the GCC for \$10,000. All ring winners during the 2017-18 Circuit season also have that opportunity. All direct buy-ins are rake-free and the full \$10,000 goes to the prize pool.

Where can I see how many points I'll earn for the tournament I just played?

- The [points system](#) is available on the [leaderboard](#) page, where you can also see your points total for the full season or for any individual Circuit stop.

I played at a recent Circuit stop, and at the end I was tied with one other player for most points?

Which one of us is Casino Champion?

- The tie-breaker is money earned. Whoever earns the most in cumulative payouts throughout the 12 official ring events is the winner.
- This method is also used to break all other leaderboard ties (e.g. at the end of the season, two players have the same number of points. One will finish in 50th place and the other in 51st. The one who cashed for more money throughout the season takes the higher spot and earns the at-large seat to the GCC.)

Can someone qualify for the GCC both as a Main Event winner and with an at-large berth?

- No. Once a player earns an automatic entry (wins a Main Event or Casino Championship), he or she is removed from the season-long leaderboard, so none of the 50 at-large qualifiers will also have an automatic berth.

What happens if someone automatically qualifies twice? Does that mean there's an extra at-large seat available?

- If someone qualifies twice (e.g. by winning the Main Event at two separate Circuit stops, or by winning a Main Event and also winning Casino Champion), then there will be one fewer automatic qualifier in the GCC. There is no extra at-large berth.

What happens if some players who qualified can't make it? Is the prize pool reduced?

- If any players who earned a free seat are unable to attend the GCC, there will simply be a smaller field. The seat(s) are not given to any other players, and the prizepool will not be affected. There will still be \$1,000,000 added by WSOP, plus the full amount from any direct buyins.

I qualified for the GCC, but I won't be able to make it to the tournament. Can I have a friend play in my place?

- Entries to the GCC are non-transferable and have no cash value. Only the player who qualified or bought in directly is permitted to play the event.
- Please note that each event is governed by the regulations of the state and jurisdiction where it is held. Some events allow those 18 years of age and older. Some are 21. It differs. To qualify for the GCC, you must be of age in the casino the GCC is held in, at the time the GCC is held. There will be no compensation or exemptions from rules, as the GCC will be governed by the regulations of the jurisdiction where the casino is located.

- All other rules and regulations pertaining to the GCC are enforced, requiring players to meet those eligibility requirements in order to participate in the GCC, regardless of points earned or other qualification for the event.

My friend played a Circuit event. Where can I see how she did?

- To find results, go to the [WSOP Circuit schedule page](#) and click the Circuit stop you're interested in. That will take you to the schedule of tournaments for that stop.
 - If the tournament you're looking for is complete, there will be a link to the results page.
 - If the tournament is ongoing ... for a Main Event or High Roller tournament, there will be a link to live updates. For other events, there will be a link to basic information about the tournament. We'd love to provide live updates for all events (including prelims), but due to overlapping schedules it isn't feasible at this time.

I have two profiles on WSOP.com, and it's affecting my points total. How can I fix this?

- If you are currently at a Circuit event, feel free to mention the issue to our media coordinator on site. He or she will be in the tournament area every day during the Circuit stop, and will gladly merge your profiles.
- If you are not currently at a Circuit stop, click the "REPORT ERROR" button in the upper-right corner of one of your profiles. Explain the issue in the "Comments" section, and we will fix it in a timely manner.