



## **1. Presidents Cup 2017 Basic Info**

Presidents Cup is a prestigious team event between the United States and Europe. The two teams are pit against each other to resolve which is the best disc golf continent. The Presidents Cup 2017 is held on July 19th 2017.

## **2. Presidents Cup 2017 Qualification**

The majority of the spots on each team goes to the top players of each continent based on their performance in 2016. Each team consist of 10 members; one captain, six playing men, two playing women, and one male player in reserve.

### **2.1. Team Members And Selection Methods**

Each team has 10 members; one captain (non-playing), two women players, six men players, and one reserve players (man).

- 1 Captain, selected by vote.
- 2 Women, based on 2016 year-end PDGA continental rankings.
- 4 Men, based on 2016 year-end PDGA continental rankings.
- 1 Man, based on fan vote.
- 1 Man, based on captain's choice.
- 1 Man as a reserve player, based on 2016 year-end PDGA continental rankings.

#### **2.1.1. Captain**

The Presidents Cup tournament organization will choose several captain candidates for each team. The candidates will be presented on the tournament website and facebook, and the disc golf community gets to vote their favorite captain on facebook. The candidate with most votes becomes the captain for his continent's team.

Captains are required to attend the Presidents Cup at Nokia.

### **2.1.1. Year-End Ranking Spots**

Four (4) men and two (2) women will receive spot on each team based on the 2016 year-end PDGA continental rankings. In addition the reserve player for each team will be selected based on the year-end rankings.

### **2.1.2. Fans' Choice Player**

The Presidents Cup tournament organization will choose several player candidates for each team. The candidates will be presented on the tournament website and facebook, and the disc golf community gets to vote their favorite players on facebook. The player with most votes will get a spot on his continent's team.

### **2.1.3. Captain's Choice Player**

Each captain gets to choose one male player to their team. These choices are entirely up to the captain.

### **2.1.4. Reserve Player**

The reserve player is required to be on location on the event day, ready to substitute another player of his team in case of an injury.

## **2.2. Qualification schedule**

Tentative 2017 Presidents Cup qualification schedule.

- May 3rd: Players qualified based on year-end rankings published.
- May 30th: Captain candidates nominated.
- May 30th - June 13th: Captain voting.
- June 13th: Captains published.
- June 27th: Captain's choice players published.
- July 5th: Fan vote player candidates nominated & voting starts.
- July 12th: Voting ends and fan vote players published.
- July 12th - July 19th: Changes only due to withdrawals if necessary.

## **3. Presidents Cup 2017 Rules**

### **3.1. Teams**

Both teams have six men and two women players. Both teams must also name one man as reserve players in case of injury or no-show. There are no age restrictions on the players. Players must live and have a passport in his/hers continent - North America or Europe. Teams must name their players with numbers; players no 1 to 6 in men and 1 to 2 in women. Numbering takes place at the tournament center one hour before the tournament.

### **3.2. Groups**

Presidents Cup will be played in four groups of four players. There are three men's groups and one women's group.

### **3. Tournament phases**

Presidents Cup consists of two separate phases:

- Phase 1 is individual best shot on holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18.
- Phase 2 is match play between numbered players on holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18.
- All players play 18 holes. (Unless the game is concluded before that.)

## **4. Presidents Cup 2017 Points System**

Players can earn points for their teams with the following point system.

- Individual Best Shot points: 28.
- Match Play points: 24.

The team who collects most points is the winner of Presidents Cup. A total of 52 points are available. 26 1/2 points are required to win the Presidents Cup.

### **4.1 Round 1**

Individual Best Shot. Men and women, holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18.

There are 7 points awarded to each group, 28 points in total:

- Lowest score 4 points
- 2nd lowest score 2 points
- 3rd lowest score 1 point
- 4th lowest score 0 points
- Ties split the points in question.

### **4.2 Round 2**

Match Play. Men and Women, holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18.

- Winner of a match play 3 points.
- Tie in a match = 1 1/2 points each.
- In case of a tie between teams after all holes played: 1 player sudden death play-off on holes 16, 17, and 18.
- Team captains will nominate the sudden death players.

## **5. Presidents Cup 2017 Trophy**

The winning team will receive the Presidents Cup (trophy) for one year and all team members will have their names engraved on the trophy.

## 6. Presidents Cup 2017 Organization

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## 7. Presidents Cup 2017 Event Schedule

### Event day schedule - Wednesday July 19th, 2017:

- 8.00 AM - 2.00 PM: Course open for practice. (All holes.)
- 8.00 AM - Sunset: Holes 4-8 and 12-14 open for practice.
- 2:00 PM: Official Presidents Cup teams photo shoot (Hole 18 green.)
- 2:00 PM: Deadline for teams (Captains nominate their team's players/numbers.)
- 2:45 PM: Presidents Cup teams presentation. (Hole 1 tee)
- 3:00 PM: Presidents Cup Round 1: Best score (Holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18)
  - Groups starting at holes 1, 8, 10 (MPO) and 18 (FPO).
- 5:00 PM: Presidents Cup Round 2: Match Play (Holes 1-3, 9-11 and 16-18)
  - Groups start from hole 1 every 10 minutes. (4 groups)
- 7:00 PM: Crowning the Presidents Cup champion team.
  - Or immediately after a possible sudden death play-off.

*The schedule is tentative. The organizer reserves the right to change the schedule.*