

EUROPEAN LADIES' CLUB TROPHY

Terms of Competition and Local Rules

1. GENERAL

1.1 Eligibility of Teams

- a) The Champion Club of each European Golf Association Member National Golf Authority and the current holder of the Trophy are eligible to enter.
- b) If the current holder is not the Champion Club in the current year, then two teams from the same EGA Member National Golf Authority will be eligible to play. If the current holder is also the Champion Club in the current year, then only that team will be eligible to enter.
- c) The host club may enter a team.

1.2 Eligibility of Players

All players and each captain nominated to teams by their club under the auspices of their national golf authority must be female (players only) and:

- a) amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited;
- b) members of the club they represent from 1 March, the year of the championship.

Penalty for Breach of Eligibility Term: disqualification of player.

1.3 Format

Each team will comprise three players.

The Trophy shall be decided over 54 holes stroke play with 18 holes on each of three consecutive days played in accordance with the 2019 Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and, the EGA Generic Terms of Competition and Regulations, EGA Hard Card and the Local Rules approved by the Committee at the championship.

a) Scoring

The lowest two scores from each team's three players will count each day. The aggregate of the six scores will constitute each team's final score. The winning team shall be the one with the lowest final score.

b) Decision of Ties

A tie for any place shall be decided using the lowest total of the three non counting scores. If a tie still exists, the sum of the three lowest scores, one from each day, shall be used. For further ties, the sum of the three second lowest scores shall be used. Any further tie will be decided based on the final stipulated 18, 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole of the best score from each of the tied teams.

c) Substitutes

If a substitute player is required, the Committee must be notified, at the latest, 30 minutes before the first tee time on Day 1. After this deadline, the team must comprise the same players for the entire Championship. A substitute player is permitted for any reason, but may not participate in the practice rounds until she has been officially substituted for a team member with permission from the Committee. A breach of this Condition may result in the substitute player not being permitted to compete.

1.4 Team Captain and Advice (Rule 24)

a) Team Captain (Rule 24.3)

Each team must nominate a Team Captain who must be an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: Disqualification of Team.

Procedure if a team has not nominated a Team Captain: the player whose surname comes first alphabetically will automatically be appointed the team captain.

b) Advice (Rule 24.4)

Two advice givers may be named by each team from whom players in the team may ask and receive advice. The first must be the Team Captain (see 1.4.a)) and the second may or may not be a professional golfer.

The advice givers must be identified to the Committee prior to the start of the championship.

The advice givers must not walk on the putting green when the ball of a team player is on the putting green.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: general penalty.

The advice givers must not ride on any form of motorised transportation during play except as authorised or later approved by the Committee.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: first breach: warning; subsequent breach: loss of advice giver status.

1.5 Caddies / Electric Trolleys

a) Rule 10.3a is modified in this way: a player must not have a caddie other than a fellow team player during the round.

b) Electric golf trolleys are only permitted if there is sufficient number to be equally distributed among the teams.

Penalty for Breach of Local Rule: the player gets the general penalty for each hole during which he is in breach of a or b. If the breach happens or continues between two holes, the player gets the general penalty for the next hole.

1.6 Disqualification

A penalty of disqualification for a breach of the Rules or the Terms of Competition applies only to the round in which the breach occurred unless otherwise determined by the Committee.

A disqualified team will automatically assume last place in the championship.

2. PRIZES

2.1 Title and Awards

The winning team of the Championship shall be the European Club Champions for a period of one year. The Championship Trophy shall be kept by the European Golf Association. The Organising Committee will return the Trophy to the EGA Office who will be responsible for engraving and maintaining it.

The EGA will present the host club with a memento.

The host country will present all participants with a memento.

EGA Championship Committee
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GENERIC TERMS OF COMPETITION AND REGULATIONS

Applicable to all EGA Championships

1. GENERAL

1.1 Rules of Golf

All championships shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the EGA Hard Card, the specific Terms of Competition and the Generic Terms of Competition and Regulations herein.

1.2 Gender Policy

Any player not complying with EGA Gender Policy guidelines or refusing measures for gender determination as recommended by the host country's national sports council will be disqualified.

1.3 Behaviour

Players, captains and advice givers, should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times. Behaviour of the very highest order is expected by all players, captains or advice givers towards everyone involved in the Championship. Any player, captain or advice giver breaching the EGA Conduct Guidelines may be subject to disciplinary action by the Championship Committee.

1.4 Starting Groups

Wherever possible, the preferred starting format for the qualification rounds for European Team Championships involving sixteen teams and fewer, is two-ball flights.

2. COMMITTEE

2.1 Composition of Authority

The EGA Championship Committee members present are responsible for the sporting aspects of the Championship and reserve the right to amend the Terms of Competition.

The Committee may appoint Referees whose decision on the Rules of Golf will be final.

2.2 Competition Cancelled or Altered

The Committee reserves the right to cancel any round, stop or postpone play, cancel the competition or come to an equitable decision to achieve a result.

In EGA Team Championships, a minimum of 18 holes stroke play must be completed by all players in order to attain a Championship result.

3. ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWALS

3.1 Entries

Entries will only be accepted on the EGA official online entry system: www.ega-golf.ch. Late entries will not be accepted. An entrant's or team's entry will not have been officially received until his or its name has been posted on www.ega-golf.ch.

3.2 Late Withdrawals

Players who withdraw later than three days prior to the start of the Championship, other than for sickness or other special circumstances, may have their future entries rejected.

3.3 Refunds Following Withdrawal

a) Individual Championships: entry fees will only be refunded in the case of withdrawal being advised no later than seven days before the start of the championship, except for those entrants who may be assigned to the reserve list and who do not subsequently compete, or withdrawals notified by the player's national golf authority for medical reasons (medical certificate required).

b) Team Championships: entry fees will only be refunded following withdrawal if notice is received no later than 21 days before Day 1 of the Championship, unless there is a valid reason that is acceptable to the EGA.

3.4 Authorisation of Entries

All entries are subject to the approval of the Championship Committee, which reserves the right to disqualify any competitor making a false statement at his entry and to accept or refuse or, having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving reason for its decision.

4. REGISTRATION

a) Individual Championships: competitors are requested to register at the club house immediately on arrival, but not later than 12h00 on the day preceding the championship. A competitor's failure to meet this deadline or to pre-notify the Committee of their pending arrival time may result in the competitor losing his/her starting field place.

b) Team Championships: team players' names should be submitted to the hosting national golf authority no later than 10 days prior to the first official practice round. Participating teams must register as soon as possible following their arrival at the championship venue. Team captains may register players' names on behalf of their team.

5. TRANSPORTATION

In all Championships and Matches conducted by the EGA, players, team captains and advisors must walk throughout the round (including practice days). No form of motorised transportation will be allowed except as provided in item 13 of the EGA Hard Card.

6. PRACTICE ROUNDS

Only players appearing on the starting list, and the first two players on the reserve list, may play the practice rounds.

One ball only may be played during practice rounds, with the following exceptions:

- a) if a player misses the putting green with his shot to the putting green, he may play one additional shot;
- b) where the Rules of Golf apply (e.g. provisional ball);
- c) A player may practice putting, chipping or bunker play, provided play is not delayed.

Players should discontinue such practice immediately when the following group is waiting to play.

7. DISCLAIMER

All players agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal and sole responsibility for all such risks.

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