

## EUROPEAN MEN'S 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.

##### 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 of the male gender (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 2023 Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and, the EGA Generic Terms of Competition and Regulations, the 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, one from each day. If a tie still exists, the sum of the three lowest scores, one from each day, 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.

A team that has returned one or more non valid scores (no show, withdrawal, disqualification) will be ranked last in the tie

decision. The team's remaining scores shall be used to decide the tie when more than one team fail to return three valid scores per day.

##### 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 he 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 Practice

Only registered team players will be permitted to practice during the official practice rounds and in official practice areas.

See Section 1.3(c) for information on practice for substitutes.

##### 1.5 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 1.5 (a)) and the second may or may not be a professional golfer. The advice givers must be identified to the Committee via the "Registration Form" prior to the start of the Championship and must remain unchanged for the duration of the championship, unless agreed by the Championship Committee under exceptional circumstances.

**Penalty for Breach of Local Rule:** The advice giver in breach of the Local Rule will lose their advice giver status for the remainder of the championship and be subject to sanction from the EGA Disciplinary Committee.

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The advice givers must not walk on the putting green at any time.

When the ball of a team player lies on the putting green, the advice givers are prohibited from giving advice for strokes to be made from 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.

#### 1.6 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 provided by the Organising Committee 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.

#### 1.7 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 team that fails to return two valid scores per day for any reason (no show, withdrawal, disqualification) will 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 medals to the members of the winning team and to the members of the second and third placed teams.

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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