

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP FOR GOLFERS WITH DISABILITY

TERMS OF COMPETITION AND LOCAL RULES

1. GENERAL

1.1 Eligibility of Teams

Teams are nominated by European Golf Association (EGA) Member National Golf Authorities.

1.2 Eligibility of Players

All players nominated to teams by their national golf authority must be:

- a) citizens of the country represented. Players with dual citizenship may only represent one country per year;
- b) holders of an "WR4GD Pass" delivered by a recognised EDGA classifier;
- c) playing with a handicap of **18.4** or better for the European Team Championship for Golfers with Disability;
- d) playing with a handicap of **36.0** or better for the European Nations Cup for Golfers with Disability.

Penalty for Breach of Eligibility Term: Disqualification of player.

1.3 Format

Two events are played concurrently:

- the European Team Championship for Golfers with Disability which is played in stroke play gross;
- the European Nations Cup for Golfers with Disability, which is played in stableford net.

Both events are played in accordance with the 2019 Rules of Golf, the Modification of the Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the European Golf Association (EGA) Generic Terms of Competition and Regulations, EGA Hard Card, the Local Rules as approved by the Championship Committee at the event and the regulations as stated in the "Organising an EDGA Approved Tournament" manual.

A maximum of 14 teams shall be eligible to participate in each event and each team shall comprise four players.

If more than 14 teams enter either of the championships, the 14 teams with the lowest handicap sum, will be selected to play the event.

If fewer than 14 teams enter either of the events, the Championship Committee may accept more than 14 teams to compete in the other event, to an overall maximum of 112 players.

a) Form of Play

Both events shall be decided over 54 holes with 18 holes on each of three consecutive days played in the following forms of play:

- I. foursomes on the first day (two scores per team);
- II. greensomes on the second day (two scores per team);
- III. Singles on the third day (four scores per team).

b) Draw / Order of Play

Team Captains will determine the pairings and order of play within their teams for all three days, using the official order of play form. If the order of play form is not submitted to the Committee:

- I. for Day 1, by 17h00 on the day preceding the Championship, the order of play will be determined alphabetically by surname;
- II. For Day 2, by 17h00 on Day 1, the order of play will be the same as for Day 1;
- III. for Day 3, by 17h00 on Day 2, the order of play will be determined alphabetically by surname.

c) Scoring

The aggregate of the two foursomes, the two greensomes and the three lowest of the four singles will constitute each team's score.

d) Decision of Ties

A tie for any place shall be decided using the lowest non-counting single score. If a tie still exists, the lowest single score shall be used. For further ties, the second lowest single score, and, finally, the third lowest single score, shall be used. Any further tie will be decided based on the final 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole of the best single score from each of the tied teams.

e) Substitutes

If a substitute player is required, the Committee must be notified, at the latest, 30 minutes before the first tee time of Day 1. After this deadline, the team must remain with 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 or she has been officially substituted for a team member with permission from the Committee. A breach of this Term may result in the substitute player not being permitted to compete.

1.4 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 assume last place in the event.

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1.5 Practice

A team player, team captain or advice giver will not be allowed to practice on the championship course for a period of fifteen days prior to the first official practice day, unless he or she is a member of the golf club at which the championship is being played. Only registered team players will be permitted to practice during the official practice rounds and in official practice areas.

See Section 1.3.1(e) for information on practice for substitutes.

1.6 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.

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 1.6.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

1.7 Caddies

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.

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

2. PRIZES

2.1 Title and Awards

a) The team with the lowest stroke play score will be declared European Golfers with Disability Team Champion for a period of two years. The Championship Trophy, presented by the EDGA, 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.

b) The team with the highest stableford score will be declared European Nations Cup for Golfers with Disability Winner for a period of two years. The Championship Trophy, presented by the EDGA, 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 mementos 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.

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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 Dress Code

A reasonable standard of golf dress / attire, in accordance with the host club regulations, is expected at all times, both on the course and in the Clubhouse.

1.5 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 advice givers 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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