

## 2007/08 Australian Senior Order of Merit – CONDITIONS OF PLAY

### Purpose

The Australian Senior Order of Merit (ASOOM) is owned and operated by Golf Australia. It is conducted to foster and develop Australia's senior amateur male golfers, and recognise those who play well. The ASOOM provides an incentive for players to participate in national and state/territory 'official points' events. It also plays a major role in selection for Australian Senior Teams.

The ASOOM will commence with the first event after the 1<sup>st</sup> August each year, with the winner to be the leading player on the Points Table at 31<sup>st</sup> July each year.

### Eligibility

For players to be eligible to receive points in the ASOOM they must meet each of the following conditions:

1. Must have reached their fifty-fifth (55<sup>th</sup>) birthday by the date of the 'official points' event. (NB. This age condition only applies to the ASOOM - each individual Championship may have a different age eligibility.)
2. Must be a male amateur golfer, and a member of a Golf Club affiliated directly or indirectly with a Member State.
3. Not be ineligible under Golf Australia's Code of Conduct and/or Anti-Doping Policy.
4. Must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited.

### Determining the Winner

The winner will be the player who has accrued the most number of points from events on the ASOOM schedule with the best nine (9) points scores to count. There is no minimum number of events that a player must contest. The winner, runner up and third place-getter will be awarded a memento. In the event of a tie, joint winners will be declared. The leading 65+ year player will receive a memento. In the event of a tie, joint winners will be declared.

### Official Points Events

The events which will form the ASOOM are as follows:

#### National Championships

- Australian Senior Amateur Championship

#### State Championships

- Six State Senior Amateur Championships
- Two Territory Senior Amateur Championships

#### Secondary Events

- Each state is eligible to nominate one other Senior Event other than its State Senior Amateur Championship. Secondary events must comprise at least 36 holes to be a nominated ASOOM event.

**States and territories are requested to forward the complete results of each nominated event by no later than two days upon its conclusion.**

### Points System

Points will be allocated to each finishing position in the official points events as follows:

	<b>National</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Secondary</b>
<b>Position</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Points</b>
1	340	220	110
2	290	190	90
3	278	180	84
4	266	170	78
5	254	160	72
6	244	152	66
7	234	144	60
8	224	136	54
9	214	128	48

	<b>National</b>	<b>State</b>	<b>Secondary</b>
<b>Position</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>Points</b>
10	204	120	42
11	194	115	39
12	184	110	36
13	174	105	33
14	164	100	30
15	154	95	27
16	147	90	24
17	140	85	21
18	133	80	18
19	126	75	15
20	119	70	12
21	115	67	10
22	111	64	
23	107	61	
24	103	58	
25	99	55	
26	96	52	
27	93	49	
28	90	46	
29	87	43	
30	84	40	
31	81	37	
32	78	34	
33	75	31	
34	72	28	
35	69	25	
36	66	22	
37	63	19	
38	60	16	
39	57	13	
40	54	11	
41	52	10	
42	50		
43	48		
44	46		
45	44		
46	42		
47	40		
48	38		
49	36		
50	34		
51	32		
52	30		
53	28		
54	26		
55	24		
56	22		
57	20		
58	18		
59	16		
60	14		
61	10		

In the event of a tie for a position, other than where a play-off takes place, the points will be split between the tied players.

Official standings will be posted on the Golf Australia website.

**Asia-Pacific Senior Teams Championship - Exemption**

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The leading three (3) players from the ASOOM will form the Australian Team to contest the Asia-Pacific Senior Teams Championship. In the event of a tie for the last position(s), the player who has earned the most number of points in the Australian Senior Amateur Championship together with the six State and two Territory Amateur Championships will be selected.