



2014 NSW SENIOR ORDER OF MERIT CONDITIONS

1. EVENTS

1.1 The NSW Senior Order of Merit competition consists of designated Senior Golf events approved by the Golf NSW (GNSW) Match Committee conducted from January 1st until December 31st in each calendar year. NSW Senior Order of Merit events for 2014 are as listed in the official 2014 GNSW Senior Golf Program.

1.2 All events are to be of at least 18-holes duration and shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, together with such local rules as are in force on the course over which the competition rounds are being played.

1.3 All clubs staging designated GNSW Senior Order of Merit events are required to:

- submit entry forms and conditions to GNSW at least 6 weeks prior to the event for inclusion on the GNSW web site.
- return a listing – in gross score order - of all players that competed in the designated event together with handicap, stroke score and nett score details for each respective player. This must be sent to GNSW by the 4th working day after the event.
- In accordance with the Australian Handicapping System, all clubs hosting designated events are also required to either directly enter all competition scores on Golf Link. It would be appreciated if this could be undertaken immediately upon the conclusion of the event.

1.4 If a scheduled event is not run on the specified date then the event can be cancelled. An alternate date will only be approved on application to GNSW Match Committee.

1.5 Any club desiring to stage a Senior Golf Event as part of the GNSW Senior Order of Merit must initially submit a formal approach to the GNSW Match Committee for approval. Depending on scheduling this may or may not be accepted.

2. ELIGIBILITY

2.1 The GNSW Senior Order of Merit competition is open to male amateurs who are members of clubs affiliated with GNSW, or golf clubs registered with such State or Overseas Associations as are affiliated with or recognised by GNSW.

2.2 To accrue points in a GNSW Senior Order of Merit event, a player must have reached their 55th birthday by the first scheduled day of that event, and must hold a Golf Australia Handicap of 18 or less. Eligible players will additionally conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited.

2.3 To be eligible for the Over 65 Section of the GNSW Senior Order of Merit, the player must have reached their 65th birthday by the first day of the relevant years NSW Senior Championship.

3. POINTS ALLOCATION

3.1 The GNSW Senior Order of Merit will recognise performances for both stroke and stableford scoring.

3.2 Points are awarded for each event based upon the finishing position of each individual in the field of seniors golfers aged 55 years of age or above, regardless of whether those players are registered SOOM players or not.

3.2 A player's final GolfNSW Senior Order of Merit points total will comprise all points accrued from his best **fourteen (14)** performances in designated events during that calendar year. Once a player plays more than fourteen designated events, his worst performance (e.g. lowest points total from a designated event) drops off for each additional event he plays.

3.3 Players finishing tied for a position in an event all receive the points for that position. Except if there is a play off for first then the play off winner receives 1st place points and the others in the play off receive 2nd place points.

3.4 It is the Players responsibility to check the points table on the GNSW web site and advise GNSW if he feels there is a discrepancy.

3.5 The player that accrues the highest total of points for scratch performances in designated events over the calendar year will win the NSW Senior Order of Merit Trophy and shall also receive an individual medal. The runner-up and third place-getter shall also receive a medal.

3.6 The player that accrues the highest total of points for the over 65 performances in designated events over the calendar year will win the GNSW Over 65 Senior Order of Merit and shall also receive an individual medal. The runner-up and third place-getter shall also receive a medal.

Points Schedule

NSW Senior Order of Merit Points 2014

Place	NSW Seniors	ACT Seniors	Other SOOM Events
1	450	400	150
2	400	350	125
3	370	320	110
4	340	290	100
5	310	260	95
6	290	240	90
7	270	220	85
8	250	200	80
9	230	180	75
10	215	170	70
11	200	160	67
12	185	150	64
13	170	140	61
14	155	130	58
15	140	120	55
16	130	110	52
17	120	100	49
18	110	90	46
19	100	80	43
20	90	70	40
21	85	65	38
22	80	60	35
23	75	55	32
24	70	50	29
25	65	45	26
26	60	40	23
27	55	35	20
28	50	30	17
29	45	25	14
30	40	20	11
31	38	18	8
32	36	16	5
33	34	14	2
34	32	12	
35	30	10	
36	28	8	
37	26	6	
38	24	4	

39	22	2	
40	20	1	
41	18		
42	16		
43	14		
44	12		
45	10		
46	8		
47	6		
48	4		
49	2		
50	1		