

QUALIFYING – COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Tuesday 12 February ~ Federal Golf Club

Venue

Federal Golf Club, Gowrie Drive, Red Hill ACT 2603
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Draw

The draw will be posted at 5.00 pm on Friday 8 February. Tee times will be from 8.00 am to approximately 10.00 am.

Qualification for Championship Proper

Four (4) places are available in the Championship Proper for non-exempt players. Ties for the last available place will be decided by sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off as soon as practicable after all players have finished play. Reserve places (alternates) in case of subsequent withdrawals of Qualifiers from the Championship Proper will be decided either by sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off, or by lot, as the Committee in charge may determine.

Championship Proper and Registration

The Championship Proper will be played at Royal Canberra Golf Club, Melbourne, from 14-17 February 2013. Successful Qualifying competitors must register at Royal Canberra Golf Club either between 2.00 pm and 6.00 pm on Monday 11 February, or between 9.00 am and 3.00 pm on Tuesday 12 February.

Practice

All competitors are entitled to one complimentary practice round after 1.00 pm on Sunday 10 February or Monday 11 February. A small number of times are also available between 11.00 and 11.30 am. Competitors must ring the pro shop to book a time (+61 6281 3799). Practice outside of these times is by private arrangement with Federal Golf Club, and a green fee may be charged. Note those players returning from New Zealand will have preference for the Monday tee times.

Players may play one ball only throughout the round, however if a player misses the fairway with their drive, they may play one additional tee shot, or if they miss the green with their approach they may play one additional shot into the green. Players **MUST** keep up with the group in front.

Dress

During both practice and competition, competitors and their caddies must ensure a standard of dress in keeping with national championships. Jeans, t-shirts, and garments with excessive advertising are not permitted on the courses or in the clubhouses. Shirts must be tucked in; golf shoes must be worn. In addition, competitors must ensure that they and their caddies adhere to the host club's dress regulations.

Club Face Groove Regulations:

The following regulation applies to the **Championship Proper section only** of the 2013 ISPS Handa Women's Australian Open:

Clubs Conforming with Groove and Punch Mark Specifications: The player's clubs must conform to the groove and punch mark specifications in the Rules of Golf that are effective from 1 January 2010.

*PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Two strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – four strokes. *Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to their marker or fellow competitor immediately upon discovery a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, they are disqualified.
PENALTY FOR MAKING STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Disqualification.

Balls with Identical Markings to be Used

Throughout a stipulated round, the balls a competitor uses must be of the same brand and type as detailed by a single entry in the current list of Conforming Golf Balls. The current list of Conforming Golf Balls can be found on the Golf Australia website (see Rules & Handicapping).

Practice Putting

Practice putting and chipping on the green of the hole last played is prohibited in Qualifying and the Championship Proper.

Further Conditions

For further conditions please consult the championship entry form.

Withdrawals

Any competitor wishing to withdraw prior to 5.00 pm on Friday 8 February must e-mail championships@golfaustralia.org.au. For withdrawals after that time, please phone Golf Australia 03 9626 5000 or 0418 426 613.

