



# 2015 AUSTRALIAN MEN'S SENIOR AMATEUR RANKING SYSTEM

## (Conditions for Determining Final Placing) *as at 5/11/14*

### Preamble

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*These conditions relate to the determination of the winner, place getters and other positions for the 2015 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Rankings upon the conclusion of the ranking period.*

### 1. Eligibility

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- 1.1 For players to accrue points towards their 2015 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking, at a Counting Event, they must meet each of the following conditions at the time of the Counting Event:
  - Be a male amateur golfer.
  - Be at least 55 years of age.
  - Conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Ltd.

\*It is the player's responsibility to ensure GA has their correct date of birth.
- 1.2 Players who breach either the Golf Australia or State or Territory Codes of Conduct, or the Golf Australia Anti Doping Policy may incur penalties which could impact upon their capacity to accrue Ranking Points. Players in breach of either the Code of Conduct or the Anti Doping Policy may be removed from the Australian Amateur Ranking System. Any decision relating to condition 1.2 will be in the sole purview of Golf Australia.
- 1.3 The decision of Golf Australia as to acceptance or refusal of a player's results from Ranking Events for the Ranking System is final.

### 2. General

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- 2.1 Golf Australia will have the sole management and control of the Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking System, with full power at any time to alter or vary any one of the Conditions.
- 2.2 Golf Australia's decision on matters affecting the Ranking System will be final.

### 3. Determining the Winner and Other Finishing Positions

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- 3.1 A player's points will be divided by either the minimum divisor of seven (7) or the number of events played (whichever is greater). This figure will be the player's Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking Average.
- 3.2 After 3.1 has been executed, the player with the highest Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking Average for Counting Events played between 1 November 2014 and 31 October 2015, will be the winner of the 2014 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Rankings.
- 3.3 The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place getters will receive a gold, silver and bronze Golf Australia Medallion respectively. The 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place getters in the Super Senior category (65 years and over) will receive a gold, silver and bronze Golf Australia Medallion respectively. In the case of ties, joint winners will be awarded.
- 3.4 A player is eligible to win the 2015 Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking System if for example they turn 55 between 1 November 2014 and 31 October 2015 as any legitimately accrued points (as per condition 1.1) will become 'live' from the time they turn 55. Similarly, a player is eligible to win the Super Senior category if for example they turn 65 between 1 November 2014 and 31 October 2015 as any legitimately accrued points (as per condition 1.1) will become 'live' for the Super Senior category from the time they turn 65. Points gained by a player 65 years and over continue to remain live for the Australian Senior Ranking System.

NB. The Australian Senior Ranking System takes precedence over the Super Senior category (e.g. a player who finishes 1<sup>st</sup> in the Super Senior category and finishes 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Australian Senior Ranking System will be awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Australian Senior Ranking System).

#### 4. Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking Events and Points Tables

- 4.1 The events listed in 4.10 are the Counting Events for the Australian Men's Senior Amateur Ranking System. Each event includes its approximate weighting. Points will be awarded to each finishing position based on the Stroke Play Points Tables.
- 4.2 The actual event weighting will be determined on the starting field for that year, based on the following:
- The Australian Senior Amateur Championship is weighted six (6)
  - The Australian Senior Match Play Championship is weighted a maximum of five (5)
  - State and Territory Championships are weighted a minimum of three (3)

After the above has been applied, the following criteria are then executed to determine the event's actual weighting. Additionally, if an event includes five (5) or more players (excluding Australians) from the Top 500 of WAGR, the event's weighting will automatically be increased by 1 level.

No. of players who compete from the Aust Top 20	No. of players who compete from the Aust Top 100	Actual Weighting
0-4 players		2
4 players	and >25	3
5-9 players		3
9 players	and >25	4
10-14 players		4
14 players	and >25	5
15 or more players		5

##### Example 1:

###### NSW Senior Amateur

- a. There are 14 players from the top 20 of the Australian Rankings who contest the event;
- b. There are 21 players from the top 100 of the Australian Rankings who contest the event;
- c. Therefore, its Stroke Play Weighting is 4.

##### Example 2:

###### Qld Senior Amateur

- a. There are 4 players from the top 20 of the Australian Rankings who contest the event;
- b. There are 12 players from the top 100 of the Australian Rankings who contest the event;
- c. Therefore, its Stroke Play Weighting based on the table is 2, however as it is a State Championship and the minimum weighting for a State Championship is 3, the weighting is increased.

- 4.3 If the number of rounds of a Counting Event is reduced, the following points will be allocated:
- An event reduced from 72 holes to 54 holes: no change
  - An event reduced from 54 holes to 36 holes: no change
  - An event reduced from 72 holes to 36 holes: the points weighting is reduced by 1 level
  - An event reduced to 18 holes: the points weighting is reduced to level 1 (ie 70 points)
- 4.4 Where a Ranking Event is open to players under 55 years, the event must recognise the leading player 55 years or over player. This may be by way of the awarding of a trophy or announcing the 55 years of over winner. Any players who contest the event who are under 55 years will NOT accrue points from that event. In determining positions for Ranking purposes, only players who are 55 years or over will be considered.
- 4.5 Events comprising stroke play rounds followed by match play rounds are considered ONE event with respect to the divisor.
- 4.6 Where an event has more than one Grade/Division (e.g. A Grade, B Grade, etc) only scores from the A Grade players count for Ranking purposes.
- 4.7 Where players finish in tied positions in Counting Events, the points allocated to those finishing positions will be averaged and split evenly among the tied players. Exception: where there is a play-off to determine the winner, the winner of the play-off will be allocated the points for the first position.
- 4.8 If a player is disqualified from a Counting Event, or fails to complete a round without reasonable justification (as determined by Golf Australia), the player will be deemed to have been disqualified which will result in 0 points being allocated and the event counting as a divisor.

- 4.9 a) All National, and State and Territory Championships are automatically granted Ranking Status. For additional events to be granted Ranking Status, the event must:
- Be scheduled to be played over at least 36 holes; and
  - Must not discriminate against categories of players who are eligible for the relevant Australian Ranking System (ie it cannot be restricted to players aged 55-65 years, for example)
- b) An event will be granted Australian Amateur Ranking Status at the discretion of Golf Australia, but must meet the criteria in 4.9a).
- c) It is Golf Australia's intent that a competition with Ranking Event status be open to a significant number of players who are eligible to accrue ranking points. Nonetheless, Golf Australia recognises that this desire is sometimes compromised by the benefits of recognising performance in Open events. Golf Australia will continue to monitor the Ranking Event status of various competitions with this in mind.

#### 4.10 2015 Counting Events:

State	Event	Approx Weighting*
<b>Australian</b>	Australian Senior Amateur Championship	6
	Australian Senior Match Play Championship #	5
<b>New South Wales</b>	NSW Senior Amateur	4
	NSW Senior Classic	4
<b>Queensland</b>	Qld Senior Amateur	3
	Gold Coast Senior Amateur	2
<b>South Australia</b>	SA Senior Amateur	3
	SA Secondary Event	3
<b>Tasmania</b>	Tasmanian Senior Amateur	3
<b>Victoria</b>	Victorian Senior Amateur	3
	The National Senior Masters	4
	Royal Melbourne Senior Golf Classic	4
<b>Western Australia</b>	WA Senior Amateur	3
	Lake Karrinyup Senior Classic	2
<b>ACT</b>	ACT Senior Amateur	5
<b>Northern Territory</b>	NT Senior Amateur	3

\*Based on 2014 fields

# The main championship only counts towards the Australian Senior Rankings. The Super Senior Section does not count towards the Ranking System.

#### 4.11 Points Tables:

##### Stroke Play

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	%
1	70	100	130	160	190	220	250	350	
2	57	82	107	131	156	180	205	287	0.18
3	51	73	95	117	139	161	182	255	0.11
4	48	68	88	109	129	149	170	238	0.07
5	45	64	83	103	122	141	160	224	0.055
6	43	61	79	98	116	134	153	214	0.047
7	41	58	76	93	111	128	146	204	0.045
8	39	56	72	89	106	123	139	195	0.045
9	37	53	69	85	101	117	133	186	0.045
10	36	51	66	81	97	112	127	178	0.045
11	34	49	63	78	92	107	121	170	0.045
12	33	47	60	74	88	102	116	163	0.042
13	31	45	58	71	85	98	111	156	0.042



**Match Play**

	<b>Match Play (3)</b>	<b>Match Play (4)</b>	<b>Match Play (5)</b>	<b>Match Play (6)</b>	<b>Match Play (7)</b>
Winner	130 pts	160 pts	190 pts	220 pts	250 pts
Runner-up	107 pts	131 pts	156 pts	180 pts	205 pts
Semi-finalists	92 pts	113 pts	134 pts	155 pts	176 pts
Quarter-finalists	78 pts	96 pts	114 pts	132 pts	150 pts
Round of 16	59 pts	73 pts	87 pts	101 pts	114 pts
Round of 32	37 pts	45 pts	54 pts	64 pts	71 pts
Round of 64	NA	NA	NA	24 pts	29 pts