



2015 WOMEN'S 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 the commencement of the 2015 Women's NSW Senior Championship until 31 December 2015. NSW Senior Order of Merit events for 2015 are as listed in the official GNSW Fixtures.

1.2 All events are to 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. This must be sent to GNSW by the 4th working day after the event.
- return a listing – in nett 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.
- If an OOM event does not attract 10 or more players (Registered and Unregistered) aged 55 years or older on a GA handicap of 29.4 or less, it may not be awarded OOM status the following year.
- In the case of insufficient entries (7), Golf NSW will not award any SOOM points.

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 and Rules 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 and Rules Committee for approval. Depending on scheduling this may or may not be accepted.

1.6 The Match and Rules Committee of Golf NSW reserves the right to amend the SOOM Conditions and Prize Allocations at any time as it sees fit.

2. ELIGIBILITY & ENTRY

2.1 The GNSW Senior Order of Merit competition is open to female amateurs who are members of clubs affiliated with GNSW, with a handicap of 29.4* or less at the time of entry.

**Note: Players on handicaps approaching the upper limit may not be eligible to participate in all events, depending upon the handicap limits and/or ballot conditions imposed by the host club of each event.*

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 29.4 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 Entry into the 2015 Women's Senior OOM can be made by returning a completed hardcopy entry form or via the online registration link on the Golf NSW Website (www.golfnsw.org). All participants at the 2015 Women's NSW Senior Championship will receive automatic Women's Senior OOM status. Competitors will have their points awarded for competitions that take place from the date of receipt of their entry.

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 Golf NSW Senior Order of Merit points total will comprise all points accrued from her best six (6) performances in designated events during that season. Once a player plays more than six designated events, her worst performance (e.g. lowest points total from a designated event) drops off for each additional event she 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 she feels there is a discrepancy.

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

3.6 The player that accrues the highest total of points for nett performances in designated events over the season will win the NSW Senior Order of Merit Nett and shall also receive an individual medal. The runner-up and third place-getter shall also receive a prize.

4. MISCELLANEOUS

4.1 Results of the Women's Senior OOM Competition - Competition Closed

- The Women's Senior OOM competition is closed when the trophy has been presented to the winner, or, in the absence of a prize ceremony, when all scores have been approved by the Committee present at the last event.

5. POINTS SCHEDULE

Place	NSW Seniors	ACT Seniors	36 Hole Events	18 Hole Events
1	300	250	200	150
2	200	175	150	100
3	150	125	100	75
4	110	90	75	55
5	80	70	55	40
6	60	50	40	30
7+	20	20	20	20