

CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. Format

- 1.1 The Concord Senior Open (CSO) shall be decided over 18 holes stroke play.
- 1.2 In the event of a tie for the CSO, ties shall be determined using the Golf Australia count back system.

2. Championship Committee

- 2.1 The Championship Committee shall comprise the Concord Captains, General Manager and other Members of the Concord Course & Match Sub-Committee.
- 2.2 The Championship Committee shall have the sole management and control of the Championship with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the conditions.
- 2.3 The Championship Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship shall be final. Protests may be made in writing and submitted to the Championship Committee within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the day's play.

3. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Ltd shall apply together with Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Committee.

4. Entries

- 4.1 Entries must be made on the Official entry form or a copy thereof.
- 4.2 The entrance fee is AUD \$70 for non-members and AUD \$50 for members (includes GST).
- 4.3 Eligible players are male amateurs whose handicap does not exceed 13.4 strokes, GA Handicap or overseas equivalent.
- 4.4 In the event of the number of applicants exceeding the places available in the championship, those applicants with the highest handicaps will be progressively removed from the competition. In the event of applicants with the same handicap being liable for removal there shall be a ballot amongst them to determine who will be removed. Ballot and removal of players will be conducted on player's GA handicap at the time of close of entries.
- 4.5 Fully completed Entry Forms must be received at Concord Golf Club office prior to 5pm Monday 6 February, 2017.
- 4.6 Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Committee.
- 4.7 Entries will not be accepted by telephone.
- 4.8 Entrance fees will only be refunded before the close of entries. A medical certificate must accompany a request for withdrawal on medical grounds.
- 4.9 Entries must be accompanied by a copy of the entrant's current handicap record for the previous six months, officially endorsed by the entrant's club, unless the entrant has provided his Golf Link number on the entry form.

5. Starting Times

It is a condition of this Championship that, in the absence of circumstances that warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes of his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes. The penalty for lateness beyond five minutes is disqualification.

6. Registration

Competitors must register 30 minutes prior to their allotted tee time at the designated registration area in the Members Bar inside the Clubhouse.

7. Drug Testing

All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in the Golf Australia's Anti-Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.

8. Pace of Play

Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced and a Pace of Play policy endorsed. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups, who infringe on the endorsed Pace of Play guidelines (available at the event). Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

9. Golf Balls

It is obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball that is listed in the current R & A and/or USGA Conforming Golf Balls. Penalty: Disqualification

10. Motorised Transport

Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee. Penalty as per page 551— 08/09 R&A Decisions on the Rules of Golf Caddies may use transportation provided:

- (i) The competitor does not accept a ride at any time during the stipulated round.
- (ii) The competitor does not accept advice from any other person travelling with the caddie.

11. By-Laws, Rules and Dress Regulations

Entrants shall comply with the by-laws, rules and dress regulations of Concord Golf Club. Players and or Caddies not dressed appropriately will not be allowed access to the course. Dress regulations available at www.concordgolfclub.com.au

12. Mobile Phones

The use of a mobile phone by a competitor or his caddie, whilst on the golf course during the event is distracting and inconsiderate. If the competitor or his caddie is in the possession of a mobile phone it should be turned off. If the phone rings this is deemed to be in use and the Committee may take disciplinary action against the offending player in accordance with the concluding paragraph of Section 1, Etiquette; Behaviour on the course.

13. Consumption of Alcohol

The consumption of alcohol by competitors and caddies on the course during a stipulated round is strictly prohibited. Penalty: Disqualification

14. Distance Measuring Devices

A player may obtain distance information using a device that measures distance only. (This includes mobile phones if used as a measuring device in silent mode only). If during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. gradient, wind speed, temperature, etc), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3, for which the penalty is disqualification, regardless of whether any such additional functions are actually used.

15. Suspension of Play

The following signals shall apply:

SUSPENSION OF PLAY: (Note to Rule 6-8b)

The Specimen Condition on pages 140-141 is in effect. All practice areas are closed during suspension for a dangerous situation (e.g. lightning) until the Committee has declared them open.

Note: Suspension for a dangerous situation will be signalled by one prolonged air-horn note.

All other types of suspension will be signalled by three consecutive air-horn notes, repeated.

Resumption of play will be signalled by two short air-horn notes, repeated.

16. Practice

Practice rounds prior to the Championship will NOT be made available at any time.

17. Prizes

No player can win more than one prize. A player who has the best score in two categories will be awarded the higher value prize.

Prizes will be awarded for the following:

Best individual & runner-up Net & Gross scores.

Best individual & runner-up Net for over 65 years of age as at 13th February 2017.

Best Gross for over 65 years of age as at 13th February 2017.