



Golf Queensland

2017 WOMEN'S SAND GREENS CHAMPIONSHIP OF QUEENSLAND

Conditions of Competition



HUGHENDEN GOLF CLUB

17-18 June, 2017

FORMAT

36 Holes Stroke Play (17th-18th June)

Entries Close

Wednesday 7th June 2017 at 5:00pm

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1. THE EVENT:

1.1 The Event will be played over 36 holes of stroke play - 18 holes on each day on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 June at Hughenden Golf Club.

2. **CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:** A Championship Committee, appointed by Golf Queensland, Hughenden Golf Club and North Queensland Golf Association, shall have sole management and control of the event. The Championship Committee reserves the right to: (a) fix and/or alter starting times, (b) in the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, either shorten the contest or fix another day/venue, (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable, (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason therefore. The decision of the Championship Committee will be final in all matters and in the absence of a full committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision and any decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.

3. ENTRIES:

3.1 The Championship is open to female amateur golfers with a current Golf Australia Handicap, and who are members of a golf club affiliated through their District Golf Association with Golf Queensland, or other State/National Associations.

3.2 The field capacity is 156 players. Entries close on Wednesday 7th June 2017 at 5:00pm OR once entries have reached capacity.

3.3 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee. Telephone enquiries should be directed to the Golf Queensland on (07) 3252 8155.

3.4 **Entries will be processed via online registration** only with the prescribed nomination fee/s to be paid at the same time as registration. There is no hard copy entry form. Telephone entries will not be accepted.

3.5 Do not send cash in the mail - Golf Queensland will not accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received.

3.6 Entries without a Golf Link number must be supported by a printed handicap record endorsed by an official of the player's home club.

3.7 Nominations are accepted at face value, on the basis that information contained therein is correct, and up to date. Should this subsequently be proven not to be the case, Golf Queensland reserves the right to deem any competitor ineligible – at any time prior to or during the Championship.

3.8 Once the draw is published there will be no refund of entry fees to players who withdraw from the event. Players who withdraw prior to the draw being published will be refunded their entry fee, less an administration fee of \$11.00.

4. **PUBLICITY:** Golf Queensland arranges publicity before, during and/or after this Championship. It is a condition of entry that all players assent to references to them, and pictures of them in practice and play being published via any medium (including the internet).

5. **PRIVACY:** Golf Queensland may retain the personal details (i.e. name, address, handicap) of entrants in this Championship on its records. The purpose of doing so is such that information on other future events conducted by Golf Queensland (or other parties) can be forwarded as deemed appropriate by Golf Queensland. This information will not be available to any other organisation. Any person may have their details removed from this database by phoning the Golf Queensland on 3252 8155.

6. **DRESS REGULATIONS:** It is a requirement of this tournament that all players must comply with the dress regulations of the host club.

7. **PRACTICE:** Bookings must be made directly with the Hughenden Golf Club.

8. **RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply together with the Golf Australia Local Rules for Sand Greens and any supplementary Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee.

9. **COURSE MARKERS:** During practice or during the Championship a player shall not place on the course, or cause to be placed on the course, any artificial marker or other device designed to indicate course measurements. A player in breach of this condition shall be disqualified.
10. **DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:** A draw for each day's play will be published on the Golf Queensland website. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the Championship Committee. Rule 6-3a provides "The Player shall start at the time laid down by the Committee". The penalty for breach of Rule 6-3a is disqualification. However it is a condition of this Championship that, in the absence of circumstances which 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 at the first hole, instead of disqualification.
11. **BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in all events to play with a ball which is named in the current list of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the R&A. Penalty for breach of this condition: Disqualification.
12. **USE OF MOBILE TELEPHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players and/or caddies during the play of any competition round is prohibited. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification.
13. **PACE OF PLAY:** Rule 6-7 will be enforced. A Pace of Play Schedule and description of applicable penalties for breaching this schedule will be supplied to competitors prior to the first round of the Championship.
14. **DRUG TESTING:** All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Doping Policy endorsed by the Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
15. **TIES:** In the event of a tie for the overall Championship (Div 1), or B (Div 2) and C (Div 3) Grade Championships, play shall continue hole by hole over such holes as the Championship Committee shall decide, until one player gains at least a one stroke advantage. The breaking of ties for all other events/trophies will be determined by use of the Australian Count-back System.
16. **PROTESTS:** Protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee no later than 5 minutes after the conclusion of the player's round on each day.
17. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are bound by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at www.golf.org.au Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by any State Association or Golf Australia for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by a State Association, or any State Association or Golf Australia codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

For all Championship information, draws and results visit

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