



Golf Queensland

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

2018

**QUEENSLAND INDIGENOUS
GOLF CHAMPIONSHIPS**



Friday 16 - Sunday 18 March 2018

(For Male and Female Golfers)

Entries Close
7 March 2018 at 5:00pm

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. **THE CHAMPIONSHIP:** The Championship will be played at Murgon Golf Club over 54 holes stroke play - 18 holes on each of Friday 16, Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 March.
DIVISIONS (GA HANDICAP) – In addition to the Men's and Women's Championships, A, B and C Grade nett divisions, Junior (gross under 18 years) and Senior (gross 55 years and over) will be held in conjunction with the Championship. A minimum 6 participants will be required for each division to go ahead.
2. **CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:** A Championship Committee, appointed by Golf Queensland, 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 date/venue, (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable, (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason therefore. The decisions 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 such decision shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.
3. **ENTRIES:**
 - 3.1 The Championship is open to all male and female Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander amateur golfers with a GA Handicap who are members of a Club affiliated through their District Golf Association with Golf Queensland or with other State Golf Associations.
 - 3.2 An Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander is someone who is a member of the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander Race of Australia, identifies as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander and is accepted by the Aboriginal or Torres Strait Island Communities as an Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander.
 - 3.3 The field will be limited to 120 players. Once entries reach this number, a reserve list will be made.
 - 3.4 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee. All entries will be displayed on our website www.golfqueensland.org.au as they are received. Inquiries can be made through the Golf Queensland office on (07) 3252 8155.
 - 3.5 The prescribed Nomination Fee of \$90.00 (incl. GST) **must** accompany the nomination at the time of nomination. Telephone entries will not be accepted.
 - 3.6 Do not send cash in the mail - Golf Queensland will not accept responsibility for cash sent that is not received.
 - 3.7 Entries without a Golf Link number must be accompanied by a handicap record endorsed by an official of the player's home club.
 - 3.8 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.
 - 3.9 Once the draw is completed there will be no refund of entry fees for 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 Golf Queensland on 3252 8155.
7. **DRESS REGULATIONS:** Players and Caddies must comply with the dress regulations of the Murgon Golf Club.
8. **PRACTICE:** A practice round will be available on Thursday 15 March - contact Murgon Golf Club for more details (07) 4168 1608. All other practice rounds will be by arrangement with the Club, under the terms and conditions they may set.

9. **RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply together with the Golf Australia Hard Card and such supplementary Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee.
10. **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.
11. **DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:** A draw for each day's play will be published. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the 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, instead of disqualification.
12. **BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball which is named in the current R&A and/or USGA Approved Lists. Copies of these lists are available from www.randa.org.
PENALTY: Disqualification.
13. **USE OF MOTORISED VEHICLES will be allowed during the Championship.**
14. **MOBILE PHONES:** 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.
15. **PACE OF PLAY:** Rule 6-7 will be strictly enforced. A Pace of Play schedule and description of the applicable penalties for breaching this schedule will be supplied to competitors prior to the first round of the tournament.
16. **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 Golf Queensland. Any competitor infringing this policy or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
17. **TIES:** In the event of a tie or ties for the Championship, unless the Championship Committee otherwise determines, play shall continue over such holes as the Championship Committee shall decide, players being eliminated hole by hole as they fail to maintain equality with other or others until the winner is determined. All other trophies will be decided by the Australian Countback System.
18. **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.
19. **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.
20. **TROPHIES:** Trophies will be awarded to the winners of the following events: Queensland Indigenous Male Champion (and runner-up), Queensland Indigenous Female Champion, and other trophies determined by the Championship Committee, provided there are a minimum of 6 entrants in each division.
Note: A player is eligible to win only one trophy.



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A Welcome to Country Opening Ceremony will be held on Thursday 15 March from 6:00pm. All players and guests are welcome.