



2018 GOLF AUSTRALIA ORDER OF MERIT: SENIOR MEN

(Conditions for Determining Final Placings) *Version 7/5/2018*

Preamble

These conditions relate to the determination of the winner, place getters and other positions for the 2018 Golf Australia Order of Merit (GA OOM) – Senior Men upon the conclusion of the GA OOM period.

1. Eligibility

- 1.1 For players to accrue points towards their 2018 GA OOM, at a GA OOM event, they must meet each of the following conditions at the time of the GA OOM 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 GA OOM points. Players in breach of either the Code of Conduct or the Anti Doping Policy may be removed from the GA OOM. 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 GA OOM events for the GA OOM is final.

2. General

- 2.1 Golf Australia will have the sole management and control of the GA OOM, 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 GA OOM will be final.

3. Determining the Winner and Other Finishing Positions

- 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 GA OOM Average.
- 3.2 After 3.1 has been executed, the player with the highest GA OOM Average for GA OOM events played between 1 November 2017 and 31 October 2018, will be the winner of the 2018 GA OOM.
- 3.3 The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place getters will receive a gold, silver and bronze Golf Australia Medallion respectively. The 1st, 2nd and 3rd 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 2018 GA OOM if for example they turn 55 between 1 November 2017 and 31 October 2018 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 2017 and 31 October 2018 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 GA OOM.

NB. The GA OOM takes precedence over the Super Senior category (e.g. a player who finishes 1st in the Super Senior category and finishes 3rd in the GA OOM will be awarded 3rd place in the GA OOM).

4. GA OOM Events and Points Tables

- 4.1 The events listed in 4.10 are the GA OOM events for the GA OOM. 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)
 - 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

- There are 14 players from the top 20 of the GA OOM who contest the event;
- There are 21 players from the top 100 of the GA OOM who contest the event;
- Therefore, its Stroke Play Weighting is 4.

Example 2:

Qld Senior Amateur

- There are 4 players from the top 20 of the GA OOM who contest the event;
- There are 12 players from the top 100 of the GA OOM who contest the event;
- 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.

- If the number of rounds of a GA OOM 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)
- Where a GA OOM 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 GA OOM purposes, only players who are 55 years or over will be considered.
- Events comprising stroke play rounds followed by match play rounds are considered ONE event with respect to the divisor.
- 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 GA OOM purposes.
- Where players finish in tied positions in GA OOM 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.
- If a player is disqualified from a GA OOM 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.
- All National, and State and Territory Championships are automatically granted GA OOM status. For additional events to be granted GA OOM 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 GA OOM (ie it cannot be restricted to players aged 55-65 years, for example)
 - An event will be granted GA OOM status at the discretion of Golf Australia, but must meet the criteria in 4.9a).
 - It is Golf Australia's intent that a competition with GA OOM status be open to a significant number of players who are eligible to accrue GA OOM 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 GA OOM status of various competitions with this in mind.

4.10 2018 GA OOM Events:

State	Event	Approx Weighting*
Australian	Australian Senior Amateur Championship	6
New South Wales	NSW Senior Amateur	4
	NSW Senior Classic	4
	Sapphire Coast Senior Amateur	New Event
Queensland	Qld Senior Amateur	3
	Gold Coast Senior Amateur	3
	CTHGC National Seniors Match Play	New Event
South Australia	SA Senior Amateur	3
	The Grange & Kooyonga Senior Open Amateur	3
Tasmania	Tasmanian Senior Amateur	3
	Tasmanian Senior Masters	2
Victoria	Victorian Senior Amateur	3
	The National Senior Masters	4
Western Australia	WA Senior Amateur	3
	WA Secondary Senior Amateur	2
ACT	ACT Senior Amateur	3
Northern Territory	NT Senior Amateur	3
	Darwin Senior Open Amateur	2

*Based on 2017 fields

4.11 Points Tables:

Stroke Play

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	%
1	70	100	130	160	190	220	250	280	
2	57	82	107	131	156	180	205	230	0.18
3	51	73	95	117	139	161	182	204	0.11
4	48	68	88	109	129	149	170	190	0.07
5	45	64	83	103	122	141	160	180	0.055
6	43	61	79	98	116	134	153	171	0.047
7	41	58	76	93	111	128	146	163	0.045
8	39	56	72	89	106	123	139	156	0.045
9	37	53	69	85	101	117	133	149	0.045
10	36	51	66	81	97	112	127	142	0.045
11	34	49	63	78	92	107	121	136	0.045
12	33	47	60	74	88	102	116	130	0.042
13	31	45	58	71	85	98	111	125	0.042
14	30	43	55	68	81	94	107	120	0.042
15	29	41	53	65	78	90	102	115	0.042
16	27	39	51	63	74	86	98	110	0.042
17	26	38	49	60	72	83	94	105	0.039
18	25	36	47	58	69	80	90	101	0.039
19	24	35	45	56	66	76	87	97	0.039
20	23	33	43	53	63	74	84	94	0.039
21	22	32	42	51	61	71	80	90	0.039
22	22	31	40	49	59	68	77	86	0.039

Position	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	%
23	21	30	39	47	56	65	74	83	0.039
24	20	28	37	46	54	63	71	80	0.039
25	19	27	36	44	52	60	68	77	0.039
26	18	26	34	42	50	58	66	74	0.039
27	18	25	33	41	48	56	63	71	0.038
28	17	24	32	39	46	54	61	68	0.038
29	16	23	30	37	45	52	59	66	0.038
30	16	23	29	36	43	50	56	63	0.038
31	15	22	28	35	41	48	54	61	0.038
32	15	21	27	33	40	46	52	58	0.038
33	14	20	26	32	38	44	50	56	0.038
34	14	19	25	31	37	42	48	54	0.038
35	13	19	24	30	35	41	46	52	0.038
36	13	18	23	29	34	39	45	50	0.038
37	12	17	22	28	33	38	43	48	0.037
38	12	17	22	27	31	36	41	46	0.037
39	11	16	21	26	30	35	40	45	0.037
40	11	15	20	25	29	34	38	43	0.037
41	10	15	19	24	28	33	37	41	0.037
42	10	14	19	23	27	31	36	40	0.037
43	10	14	18	22	26	30	34	38	0.037
44	9	13	17	21	25	29	33	37	0.037
45	9	13	17	20	24	28	32	36	0.037
46	9	12	16	20	23	27	31	34	0.037
47	8	12	15	19	22	26	30	33	0.037
48	8	11	15	18	22	25	28	32	0.037
49	8	11	14	18	21	24	27	31	0.037
50	7	11	14	17	20	23	26	30	0.037
51	7	10	13	16	19	22	25	28	0.037
52	7	10	13	16	19	22	24	27	0.036
53	7	9	12	15	18	21	24	26	0.036
54	6	9	12	15	17	20	23	25	0.036
55	6	9	11	14	17	19	22	25	0.036
56	6	8	11	14	16	19	21	24	0.036
57	6	8	11	13	15	18	20	23	0.036
58	5	8	10	13	15	17	20	22	0.036
59	5	8	10	12	14	17	19	21	0.036
60	5	7	9	12	14	16	18	20	0.036
MC	1	1	2	2	5	5	10	10	
DQ	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	

Match Play

	Match 1	Match 2	Match 3	Match 4	Match 5	Match 6	Match 7	Match 8	Match 9
Winner	70	100	130	160	190	220	250	280	310
Runner up	57	82	107	131	156	180	205	230	254
Semi-Finalist	49	70	92	113	134	155	176	197	218
Quarter-Finalist	42	60	78	96	114	132	150	168	186
Round of 16	32	46	60	73	87	101	115	128	142
Round of 32	20	28	37	46	54	63	71	80	88
Round of 64	8	12	15	19	23	26	30	33	37