

Conditions of Play – BITS Junior Open 2020

Tournament Committee

The tournament committee shall have the sole management and control of the event. The committee consists of members of the host venue (BITS Junior Golf Club).

The championship committee reserves the right to:

- (a) In the event of bad weather or for any other reason, either shorten the contest or fix another date/venue
- (b) Vary the conditions should they deem it advisable
- (c) Reject any entry without assigning any reason or may change tee times or group allocation.

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 such decision shall be deemed to be a decision of a full tournament committee.

Course Marshals

A course marshal may carry out spot checks on all players score cards during a round of the event and has the right to issue penalties for slow play. Slow play is deemed as losing one or more fairways with no acceptable reason.

Players

1. All juniors must be a financial member of a member club, affiliated with Golf Queensland and play off their correct Golf Australia or recognised Golf Central Qld Junior handicap.
2. Any player who disrupts play, abuses the course or behaves in a manner not becoming to the etiquette of golf will be penalised as per Golf CQ YELLOW/RED card system and may be asked to appear before the Championship committee with their parent/guardian to show cause why they should not be suspended from further championship events.
3. Any player deliberately cheating will automatically be disqualified and name recorded.
4. Players must be 12 years or younger on the day of the competition to compete in the 6 hole event.
5. Each player is eligible for only one major prize.
6. Rangefinders / GPS devices are allowed for use by players in the 18 hole events.

Dress Code:

Players should always adhere to the host clubs dress code when participating in events.

A general guide for all players is as follows:

Boys: Collared golf shirts and tailored shorts or pants – football shorts are not allowed

Girls: Collared golf shirts and tailored shorts, skirts or pants - No exposed midriffs.

All players must wear closed in shoes and a hat or cap.

Caddies

Caddies of all competitors must not interfere with any other competitor during a round of the event. Should a person have a concern about another competitor, that person should bring that concern to the marker of the competitor. Caddies may assist in lining up only for 3 and 6 hole players. 9, 13 and 18 hole golfers are not permitted to have their caddy assist once they address the ball and will incur a one stroke penalty per occurrence and may be subject to disqualification.

Protests

All protests (incl. Caddies) must be lodged within 15 minutes of round completion to the tournament committee or host club representative.

Safety

All players must ensure that the entire group ahead (players, caddies, walkers) is clear before playing – this includes waiting until the group has had their second shot when waiting on the tee, and ensuring the group ahead is well clear of the green before approaching, no matter how far out from the green. When in doubt, wait. "Fore" shall be clearly called whenever a ball is hit towards any other people on the course.

Ties:

Gross winner & Runner up: In the event of a tie or ties for the Gross Championship, play shall continue in a sudden death play-off, over such holes as determined by the host club with players being eliminated hole by hole until a winner is determined.

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- The Australian Count back System (18-hole events).
- Golf CQ Count Back system (3, 6, 9 & 13 events).

Playing Rules:

The rules of golf as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews will apply together with such Local Rules as are approved by the host club.

Mobile Phones

Are permitted to be carried by caddies or players for safety reasons only and **must be turned off during play**. Any player or caddy of a player who receives an incoming call during play or sends a message or initiates a call during play will be disqualified. **No video** footage is to be taken for any reason during a round of play. Photos may only be taken with authorised devices.

Divisions (Handicaps):

18 Hole Players – GA Handicaps

Boys: A Grade 0 – 12.4, B Grade 12.5 – 19.4 and C Grade 19.5 – 36.4

Girls: A Grade 0 – 18, B Grade 19 – 29, C Grade 30 – 45

13 Hole Players (Minimum & Maximum Handicaps)

- Boys Min – 14.5 Max – 36.4

- Girls Min – 17.5 Max - 45.4

9 Hole Players (Minimum & Maximum Handicaps)

- Boys Min – 14.5, Max – 36.4

- Girls Min – 17.5 Max – 45.4

6 Hole Players (Minimum & Maximum Handicaps)

- Boys Min – 14.5, Max – 36.4

- Girls Min – 17.5 Max – 45.4

3 Hole Players (Minimum & Maximum Handicaps)

- Boys Min – 10.5, Max – 30.4

- Girls Min – 12.5 Max – 36.4