



XVI Games of the Small States of Europe 2015

Conditions of Competition

1. General

1.1 Eligibility of Players

All players nominated to teams by their national golf authority must be citizens of the country represented according to the conditions set out by the present GSSE Statutes, or eligible through assimilation status, in conformity with the provisions stipulated in the GSSE Technical Regulations.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Disqualification of player.

1.2 Venue

Korpúlfstaðavöllur, Golfklúbbur Reykjavíkur, Iceland.

1.3 Programme

Tuesday	2 June	Official Practice Round Team Captains' Meeting
Wednesday	3 June	1 st round
Thursday	4 June	2 nd round
Friday	5 June	3 rd round
Saturday	6 June	4 th round Medal Ceremony

1.4 Format

Each Championship (men's and ladies) will be 72 holes of stroke play. Teams are comprised of 2-3 players.

a. Scoring

In each 18-hole round the total of the two lowest scores by players of each Team constitutes the Team score for that round. The total of the two-player Team scores for the four rounds is the Team's score for the Championship.

b. Minimum of 36 holes

The Committee reserves the right to cancel any stipulated round, suspend or postpone play.

If a Championship course is declared unplayable, or inclement weather prohibits play, and as a result it is not possible to complete 72 holes of play in the period in which the Championship is scheduled, the Championship will not be extended beyond the last scheduled day. The winner will be the Team which returns the lowest score for the number of stipulated rounds played, except that, if it is not possible to play at

least 36 holes in the four scheduled days, the Championship will be terminated without a Champion being determined.

c. Decision of Ties

The following procedure will be adopted in the event of a tie for 1st place only.

If two or more teams tie for the Championship, the order of finishing will be decided as follows:

- Firstly, by taking into account the non-counting score for the 4th round.
- If still tied, the non-counting score for the 3rd round.
- If still tied, the non-counting score for the 2nd round.
- If still tied, the non-counting score for the 1st round.
- If still tied, a winner will be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off, to take place immediately after completion of the final round. Each team designates one player to represent the team in the play-off. The play-off will commence on a sequence of holes as decided by the Committee.

If less than 4 rounds are completed, (a) above does not apply. If less than 3 rounds are completed, (a) and (b) above do not apply.

If two or more individuals tie for the Championship, a winner will be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off, to take place immediately after completion of the final round. The play-off will commence on a sequence of holes as decided by the Committee.

In the case of ties for 2nd or 3rd place, duplicate medals will be awarded.

d. Substitutes

If a substitute is required, the Committee must be notified, at the latest, 20 minutes before the first tee time of Day 1. After this deadline, the team must remain with the same players for the entire Championship. A substitute is permitted for any reason, but may not participate in the practice round until he or she has been officially substituted for a team member, with permission from the Committee.

In the event that a registered team member cannot participate in a stipulated stroke play



round, the team's two scores will count. In the case of a decision of ties, the team with the absentee player shall finish last. If more than one player is absent, the team shall not be permitted to compete.

e. Draw - Order of Play

The draw will be in threes at ten minute intervals. Team members will be assigned in separate groups each day.

The team captains will determine the order of play within their teams for Days 1 and 2 using an official order of play form. If the order of play form is not submitted the order of play will be determined alphabetically by surname.

On Days 3 and 4 the order of play within teams will be based on score, i.e., the player with the lowest cumulative individual score will have the latest starting time. In the case of a tie, the order of play will be the same as the captain's designated order of play from the second round.

1.5 Return of Scorecards

Following each round players must return their scorecards to an area designated by the Committee as the "Scoring Area" in accordance with the Rules of Golf, 6-6b. The scorecard is considered returned when the competitor has left the Scoring Area.

1.6 Close of Competition

Each competition is deemed to have closed when the Medals has been presented to the winning team or individual.

1.7 Transportation

Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round, unless authorized by the Committee. Electric golf trolleys are permitted.

Pull/push trolleys will be available for players.

Penalty for breach of Condition: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: Four strokes.

1.8 Advice

Each team may appoint a team captain who may give advice to members of that team.

A team captain must be identified to the Committee prior to the start of the Championship.

Penalty for breach of Condition: Disqualification of the team.

1.9 Caddies

Caddies must wear a caddie bib if requested by the Committee.

1.10 Pace of play

A group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and, in the case of second or subsequent groups, out of position.

From the commencement of timing, if any competitor exceeds 50 seconds on a first to play an approach shot (including a par 3 tee shot), chip or putt, or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or second or third to play a shot, he/she is deemed to have a "bad time".

The time allowed to play each hole and the stipulated round will be determined by the Committee and published on the official notice board. Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front. A competitor whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round, even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

Penalty for breach of Condition:

One bad time	Verbal warning from an official.
Two bad times ...	One stroke penalty.
Three bad times .	Two stroke penalty.
Four bad times...	Disqualification.

Notes:

- Players may not be advised that they are being timed.
- Timings will be taken from the moment that a referee deems it is the player's turn to play.

1.11 Suspension of Play due to a Dangerous Situation
(Note to Rule 6-8b)

The signal for the suspension of play due to a dangerous situation will be:

- Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged note of an air horn.
- Discontinue Play: Three consecutive notes of an air horn, repeated.
- Resume Play: Two short notes of an air horn, repeated.

1.12 Anti-Doping

All players are subject to the provisions of the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy.



2. Medals

2.1 Awards

The number of medals in the individual competition will be:

- If three (3) competitors participate in the competition, 2 medals (Gold, Silver).
- If four (4) or more competitors participate in the competition, 3 medals (Gold, Silver, Bronze).

In the team competition each member of the three best placed teams will receive their respective medal (Gold, Silver, Bronze).

3. Committee

3.1 Composition

The Committee comprises the EGA Technical Delegate, the GSSE Technical Delegate, the GSSE Technical Director, a representative from Golfklúbbur Reykjavíkur and two representatives from the Golf Union of Iceland.

3.2 Referees

The Committee may appoint Referees whose decisions on the Rules of Golf will be final.

3.3 Authority

The Committee will be responsible for organising and running the Championship and reserves the right to amend the Championship Conditions.

