



THE SARAWAK AMATEUR JUNIOR OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2018

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

The following Conditions, together with any additions or amendments as published by The Committee on the relevant entry form or at the golf course, will apply under Rule 33-1.

1. THE TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

The Tournament Committee shall be appointed by the Sarawak Golf Association.

This Committee reserves the right to amend the Championship Conditions and the decision of the Committee shall, in all matters, be final.

2. DATE & VENUE

THE SARAWAK AMATEUR JUNIOR OPEN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP 2018 will be held from **20-22 March 2018** at **DAMAI GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, JALAN SANTUBONG, KUCHING.**

3. ELIGIBILITY

The tournament is open to junior amateur golfers who have not reached the maximum age allowed in their age group **on the last day** of the championship with a valid NHS/USGA Handicap Index corresponding to their age group.

Details of the Course and Slope Rating of the competition course together with the Handicap Index conversion table are as attached.

BOYS

<u>Group</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Handicap Index Qualifications</u>
Special	18-21 years	16.8 or lower
A	15-17 years	16.8 or lower
B	13-14 years	22.3 or lower
C	11-12 years	open to all handicaps
D	10 and under	open to all handicaps

GIRLS

<u>Group</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Handicap Index Qualifications</u>
Special	18-21 years	17.7 or lower
A	15-17 years	17.7 or lower
B	13-14 years	29.2 or lower
C	11-12 years	open to all handicaps
D	10 and under	open to all handicaps

If there are less than 5 entries in any group, the Committee may, at its absolute discretion, combine players in that group with players in any other group or groups.



4. **SIZE OF FIELD**

The field shall be limited to **120** players on first come first served basis.

5. **FORMAT**

The Championship will be decided by stroke play over 3 rounds of 18 holes for all Boys and Girls.

The Tournament Committee may cancel any round or rounds if they consider that the course is not in a playable condition or that there are circumstances that render the proper playing of the game impossible.

6. **ENTRY FORM, ENTRANCE FEE AND CLOSING DATE**

Duly completed entry form together with a copy of the player's birth certificate and the entrance fee of **RM212.00 (including GST)** must reach the Tournament Committee on or before **13 March 2018**.

The entrance fee is not refundable if cancellation is made after the closing date.

All entries will be subject to the approval of the Tournament Committee, which reserves the right to accept or refuse, or having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving any reason for its decision.

7. **TIMES OF STARTING AND GROUPS**

The times of starting and groups for **Round 1** of the competition shall be established by the Tournament Committee on **19 March 2018** and posted on the Club's Notice Board. Such display is deemed to be sufficient notice to the players.

For the final round, draw shall be based on the scores returned in the first 36 holes by players playing from the same teeing grounds.

The Tournament Committee reserves the right to vary the draw and starting times at its absolute discretion.

8. **PRIZES**

a. The overall champion for Boys Special Class, Classes A and B shall be awarded the Sarawak Amateur Junior Open Golf Championship Trophy (Boys).

b. The overall champion for Girls Special Class, Classes A and B shall be awarded the Sarawak Amateur Junior Open Golf Championship Trophy (Girls).

c. Champion and three runners-up for Boys Special Class, Classes A, B, C and D.

d. Champion and two runners-up for Girls Special Class, Classes A, B, C and D.

The Committee may, at its absolute discretion, reduce the number of prizes for any of the groups as it deems fit.



9. PACE OF PLAY (Note to 6-7)

(a) **Time Allowed:**

Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based upon the length and difficulty of the hole. The maximum time allotted for the completion of 18 holes will be available prior to play.

Definition of Out of Position:

The first group and any group after a starter's gap will be considered to be "out of position" if, at any time during the round, the group's cumulative time exceeds the time allowed for the number of holes completed. Any following group will be considered "out of position" if it is more than the starting interval behind the group in front and has exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes played.

(b) **Procedure When Group is Out of Position:**

1. If a decision is taken to time the group, each player in the group will be subject to individual timing by a Rules Official. Each player in the group will be advised that they are "out of position" and are being timed.
2. The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:
 - on a par three hole;
 - an approach shot; and
 - a chip or putt

The timing will start when a player has had sufficient time to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he is able to play without interference or distraction.

On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

If any player exceeds the time allocated, he shall be deemed to have had a "Bad Time".

3. Timing ceases when a group is back in position and players will be advised accordingly.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

- 1 Bad Time: Player will be warned by the official and told that if he has a further bad time he will be penalized.
- 2 Bad Times: Penalty of One Stroke
- 3 Bad Times: Further Penalty of Two Strokes
- 4 Bad Times: Disqualification



(c) Procedure When Again Out of Position during Same Round:

If a group is “out of position” more than once during a round, the above procedure will apply on each occasion. Bad times and the application of penalties in the same round will be carried forward until the round is completed. A player will not be penalized if he has a second bad time before being advised of his earlier bad time.

10. TEEING GROUND

Boys Special, A and B shall use the **blue** tee.
Boys C shall use the **white** tee.
Girls Special, A, B and C shall use the **red** tee.
Boys D and Girls D shall use the **gold** tee.

11. DECIDING TIES

In the event of a tie for the first place in all categories, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off to determine the winner.

In the event of a tie for any other places, the tie shall be decided by a count back system of matching scorecards in the following order:

- i. Last 18 holes
- ii. Last 9, 6, 3 holes and finally the last hole.

If a tie is still undecided, it shall be decided by lot.

12. TRANSPORTATION

Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee.

Penalty: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred.
Maximum penalty: Four strokes

13. CADDIE

Only players (boys and girls) in age groups C & D are permitted to employ a caddy to carry their bags.

Players are prohibited from having their parents, team managers, coaches, friends & relatives serve as their caddie during the stipulated round. Only caddies assigned/approved by Kelab Golf Sarawak or the Tournament Director are allowed to carry during the competition.

Penalty: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred.
Maximum penalty: Four strokes.

14. GALLERY

Players shall not exchange conversation with the gallery. Rule 8-1 applies.

Gallery must keep a distance of not less than 50 meters from the players and shall remain on buggy track at all times. Offenders will be given two (2) warnings by officials or referees after which they will be asked to leave the course.



15. ANTI-DOPING

Players are required to comply with and be bound by any Anti-Doping Policy that is established for the Championship in which they are competing.

16. SERIOUS BREACH OF ETIQUETTE

A penalty of **DISQUALIFICATION** under Rule 33-7 will be imposed if the Committee determines that a player has committed a “serious breach of etiquette” of any of but not limited to the following:-

- i. Use of hand phone or other means during a stipulated round to disturb or distract other players.
- ii. Verbal abuse of fellow competitors, officials or staff.
- iii. Other unbecoming conduct or behavior.

17. SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION (Note to Rule 6-8b)

The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect – see pages 158.

Note: A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by a prolonged note of a horn. All other suspensions will be signaled by three consecutive short notes of a horn repeated. In either case, resumption of play will be signaled by two short notes of a horn, repeated.

18. PRACTICE (Rule 7-1)

The provisions of Rule 7-1b apply.

Penalty for breach of condition: Disqualification

Note: All recognized practice areas within the bounds of the course may be used by players for practice on any day of the competition.

19. RETURNING OF SCORE CARD

A player’s score card is deemed officially returned to the Committee when he has left the recording office/area.

20. RESULTS OF CHAMPIONSHIP – COMPETITION CLOSED

When the Championship trophy is presented to the winner, the results of the Competition is deemed officially announced and the competition closed.

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE