



2018
ASIA-PACIFIC SENIOR
AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP

to be played at

TOM WATSON GOLF COURSE



Entrants must be at least 55 years of age as of 17/10/2018

Hosted by

Japan Golf Association

On behalf of the

Asia Pacific Golf Confederation

Wednesday 17 October to Friday 19 October, 2018

Closing Date for Entries: Monday 3rd September at 5:00pm (JST)

FORMAT: 54 Holes Stroke Play

CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

The draw will be available at 8am on Tuesday 16th October at on-site registration



2018 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championship



CONDITIONS

1. Championship Procedure

1.1 The Championship will be played over 54 holes of stroke play at Tom Watson Golf Course, Miyazaki, Japan.

Round 1 – Wednesday 17 October

Round 2 – Thursday 18 October

Round 3 – Friday 19 October

NB: There will be no cut.

1.2 The winner will be the Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Champion and will receive a Championship Gold Memento and hold the Y.A. Bhg. Tun Abdul Hamid Omar Cup for one year. The runner-up will receive a Silver Memento.

1.3 In the event of a tie for after three rounds for the Championship, the winner will be decided by a hole by hole play-off to take place immediately after the final round has concluded. Unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise, other positions will be decided by count back in accordance with The R&A's Matching Score Cards procedure.

2. Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Teams Event

2.1 Each country may nominate a team comprising a maximum of **SIX** players who must be citizens or Nationals of the country they represent.

Team entry forms will be emailed to each APGC Member country.

2.2 The winning team will be determined by the lowest aggregate of the **FOUR** best gross scores from each round.

2.3 Disqualification of a team member under the Rules of Golf in any round will not be effective for any subsequent round of the Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Teams Event unless the Championship Committee determines otherwise.

2.4 In the event of a tie joint winners will be declared.

2.5 Members of the winning team(s) will receive mementos.

3. Championship Committee

3.1 The Championship Committee will comprise the APGC Championship Committee Chairman, Tournament Director, Chief Referee, and one representative of Japan Golf Association.

3.2 In the absence of the full Championship Committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision, and any decision so given will be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee.

3.3 The Championship Committee will have the sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the conditions.

3.4 The Championship Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final. Protests must be made in writing and submitted to the Championship Committee within ten (10) minutes of the conclusion of the relevant day's play.

3.5 The decision of the Championship Committee as to acceptance or refusal of any entry will be final.

4. Rules of Play

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply together with Local Rules as published by the Championship Committee

5. Entries

5.1 Eligible players are male amateurs who have reached their 55th birthday by 17 October 2018 and; whose Handicap does not exceed the handicap limit for their age category at the time of entry, or who are an exempt player as detailed in Condition 6. The exact handicap certified at the date of entry will be used for ballot purposes.

Handicap Limits are as follows:

- **Group A (55-59 years) – 14.4**
- **Group B (60-64 years) – 16.4**
- **Group C (65-69 years) – 18.4**
- **Group D (70 years and above) – no limit**

5.2 Entrance Fee 50,000JPY (Japanese Yen)

The Entry Fee includes the following:

- **Championship Entry (plus Practice Round)**
- **Transport from Hotel to Course & return**
- **Welcome Dinner**
- **Championship Dinner**
- **Practice Balls for Championship Rounds and Practice Round (prior to the round: 36 balls)**
- **Championship Gift Pack**
- **Miyazaki Airport pick-up and drop-off (specific date only, see separate form)**

5.3 Entries shall be made via the online booking portal only.

5.4 Entrants must conform in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, and shall acknowledge to that effect in Entry Form.

5.5 In the event of entry applications exceeding the number of places available in the Championship age categories (Group A – 60, Group B – 30, Group C – 25 & Group D – 15), applications from those higher handicap competitors not exempt from a handicap ballot as detailed in Condition 6 shall be decided by a ballot at the discretion of the Championship organising committee. If any Championship age category has fewer entries than their maximum filed, the balance will be allotted to other Championship age categories at the Championship Committee's discretion. Unsuccessful applicants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur.

5.6 Entry form must be sent to JGA (by fax or email) by 5:00pm Monday 3rd September 2018. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Committee.

5.7 Entry fee must be paid in full at the time of on-site registration (see clause 11).

6. Exemptions

Exemptions from a handicap ballot for the 2018 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championship will be granted to the following; (**Note** – Where applicable, it is the sole responsibility of the player to ensure the Championship Committee has received notification of his exempt status. Should the Championship Committee not be so advised, that player will be deemed to be a non-exempt player.)

- 6.1 Team members – Asia Pacific Golf Confederation Team Event.
- 6.2 Players exempted by the Championship Committee (maximum 3).
- 6.3 Senior Amateur Champions of APGC Member Countries 2011-2018.
- 6.4 Previous APGC Senior Amateur Champions.

7. Television and Media

All rights for televising live, television recordings or for any visual or electronic reproduction of the Championship are reserved only to the APGC and may only be made under licence.

8. Conforming Golf Balls, Conforming Driver Heads

The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect as regards Conforming Golf Balls and Conforming Driver Heads.

9. Practice Round

Tuesday 16th October 2018

10. Pace of Play

Pace of play will be strictly enforced. Each group must maintain its position on the course with respect to the group preceding it. Any group with a clear hole in front of it will be considered out of position. Penalties will be issued to individuals in such groups who by their pace contributed to such delay. Warnings may not be issued prior to penalties.

11. Registration

Competitors must register between 8:00 and 16:00 at Tom Watson Golf Course on Tuesday 16th October 2018. Failure to comply may result in disqualification from the Championship.

12. Database of Competitors' Details

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by the APGC. This data may be utilised by APGC or its sponsors for the distribution of correspondence, in both electronic and hard copy means. From time to time players may be sent entry forms, event literature, an APGC e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of APGC events, or information about events conducted by APGC-approved bodies. Upon receipt by APGC of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database.

13. Distance Measuring Devices

For all play at Tom Watson Golf Course during the 2018 Asia-Pacific Senior Amateur Championship, a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

14. Golf Shoes

Shoes with traditionally-designed pin-spikes (i.e., metal, ceramic, or which the committee consider as the equivalent) are prohibited during the stipulated round. Penalty for breach of this condition: **Disqualification**