

**COUNTRY SILVER/BRONZE CHAMPIONSHIPS
& CANADIAN FOURSOMES**
CONDITIONS OF PLAY
Handicap Limit GA 45.0

1. The Rules of Golf as adopted by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews shall apply together with the Local Rules as drawn up by the Club and GolfWA Tournament Committee.
2. The GolfWA Tournament Committee will settle any dispute or protest and has full powers to alter or make any variation in the conditions of the competition should it be deemed necessary. In the event of bad weather, an individual event may be shorten, postponed or cancelled.
3. Open to financial female amateur golfers affiliated with a financial Country Club in Western Australia, with that club allocated as their Home Club. They must also play the majority of their golf in country areas. GolfWA reserves the right to use their discretion in this matter.
4. In the event of entries exceed the number of places available in either of the events, entries from higher handicap competitors will be decided by ballot. Unsuccessful entrants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Entrance fees will be refunded to those who are balloted out and do not compete.
5. All ties to be decided by countback.
6. Withdrawal from the competition involves forfeiture of entry fee once the draw has been advertised. The entry fee cannot be transferred to another player and the vacancy will be filled at the discretion of GolfWA.
7. Players retain the same GA handicap for the 36 Hole event.
8. Players whose handicaps increase beyond the limit after the closing date for the competition must use their revised handicap.
9. No Player to receive more than one trophy (excluding perpetuals and novelties).
10. Drug Testing: All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in the GA Doping Policy. Any competitor infringing this policy of refusing to take a test may be disqualified.
11. Player Code of Conduct: All entrants assent to be bound by the GolfWA Code of Conduct. A copy of the Code is available on the GolfWA website www.golfwa.org.au
12. Players must comply with the dress regulations of the host club (no denim).
13. Mobile phones may be used on the golf course during competition in case of an emergency or to call for a ruling, to access a distance measuring device application or to enter scores via an electronic score card (if in use). Mobile phones must be on silent at all times while on club property.
14. This is a smoke free event and as such players and caddies are prohibited from smoking during a stipulated round or within the bounds of the clubhouse. (Note: In addition to the more traditional forms of smoking, this policy is also considered to cover vaping and the like, etc.)

The following penalty structure applies for a breach of the above policy:

- First breach: Warning
- Second breach: One-Stroke Penalty
- Third breach: General Penalty
- Fourth breach or any subsequent misconduct: Disqualification

The Committee in charge of the competition will impose any penalty, where applicable. Their decision is final.

15. Grass Green/Sand Green combination in the Canadian Foursomes shall be classed as Grass combination.
16. Measuring Devices are permitted.
17. Motorised carts, if available for hire, may be used by any player and are on a first-come-first-served basis, however priority will be given to those who have Golf WA authorisation. Players are responsible for the cost, however carts must ONLY be booked through Golf WA on the official entry form.
18. **COVID-19**
Players must comply with any COVID-19 vaccination policy in place at the time of the competition set by the State Government and/or host venue. Note: requirements may change on short notice.

Participants and supporters must comply with any COVID-19 health directives, including:

- Comply with any relevant government health direction.
- **Do not attend the event if, at the time of the event, you have been instructed by a relevant authority to self-isolate; or if you are feeling unwell or sick; or you have confirmed COVID-19 or COVID-19 symptoms.** A refund will be provided for any of these circumstances.
- Maintain good hygiene practices at all times, including: regular hand washing and sanitization when entering venues, after using the bathroom and before and after handling food; and covering your mouth and nose if you need to cough or sneeze.

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