

# SENIOR AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIPS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

An R&A, USGA World Amateur, Golf Australia National and State Ranking Event

**Hartfield Country Club**  
**24-26 March, 2025**

<b>Entry Fee:</b>	\$74.00 (incl. GST) Note: all registrations via online portal at: <a href="#">GolfWA events</a>
<b>Inclusions:</b>	Practice round: One practice round per entrant as per point 1.3.
<b>Format:</b>	Senior Amateur Championship - 54 holes stroke play . Max 96 players
<b>GA Handicap Limit:</b>	16.0 (men) & 21.0 (women) - ballot if required at close of entries
<b>Entries Open:</b>	Wednesday 29 January 2025 – 12 noon AWST
<b>Entries Close:</b>	Monday 17 March 2025 – 12 noon AWST

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# TERMS OF COMPETITION

(To be used in conjunction with the [Golf Australia Hard Card](#))

## 1. COMPETITION PROCEDURES

**1.1 The Senior Amateur Championship of Western Australia** is open to Women players aged 50 years of age and Men players aged 55 over as at the first day of the event being 24 March 2025. The event is scheduled to be played over three 18 hole stroke play rounds (ie 54 holes total) at Hartfield Country Club.

(i) In the event of a tie after the stroke play rounds for both the Men and/or Women's Senior Amateur Championship a sudden-death, hole-by-hole play-off will be held. However, if the Championship Play Committee determines that there is not sufficient time available for a play-off, the winner will be decided utilising the Australian Countback System. A player may only win one trophy (exception: Perpetuals).

(ii) In the event of a tie for the Leading Men's or Women's Western Australian player a sudden death playoff will occur, subject to available time.

**1.2** The schedule for the Senior Amateur Championship is as follows:

- Practice: Wednesday 19 March – All day. Bookings essential through pro-shop
- Stroke Play Rd 1: Monday 24 March (AM)
- Stroke Play Rd 2: Tuesday 25 March (PM)
- Stroke Play Rd 3: Wednesday 26 March (PM)

## 2. ELIGIBILITY

**2.1** Eligible players are amateur golfers whose Golf Australia (GA) handicap (or overseas equivalent) at the time of entry does not exceed 16.0 strokes (men) and 21 strokes (women).

**2.2** Players who do not have an Australian GolfLink number or a WAGR Ranking will be required to provide GolfWA with proof of their handicap & playing record.

**2.3** An entrant who holds current handicaps in multiple countries, and who is not exempt from a handicap ballot, is required to advise GolfWA of the details of all handicaps they hold. GolfWA will determine which handicap is to be used for ballot purposes; this handicap will also be used to determine whether the player has conformed with the handicap limit for the championship.

**2.4** Players must comply with Golf Australia's [Gender Policy](#) at the time of the competition.

## 3. ENTRIES

**3.1** The entry fee is \$74.00 (incl. GST) and must be paid at the time of entry.

**3.2** Entries shall only be made online via the registration portal at [GolfWA events](#)

**3.3** GolfWA shall have the right to refuse the entry of any person without being required to give any reason for such refusal.

**3.4** Fully completed registrations, together with appropriate entrance fees, must be received by GolfWA by 12.00 noon (AWST) on Monday 17 March 2025. It is the sole responsibility of the entrant to ensure their entry has been received. A player's registration has not officially been received until their name has been posted on the entry page through Mitournament.

**3.5** The field for the championship will be limited to 96 players in the Championship, a ballot will be undertaken with players on the **highest GA handicaps at close of entries subject to elimination.**

**Note:** The Championship Play Committee reserves the right to increase the number of men or women players should the total field size not be achieved. Should two players on the exact GA handicap (or overseas equivalent) be subjected to a ballot, starting positions will be based on receipt of entry.

**3.6** Unsuccessful applicants will be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Monies

received from balloted entrants, who do not subsequently compete, will be refunded in entirety.

**3.7** Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Championship Play Committee. A late fee of \$10.00 will apply.

**3.8** The confirmed starting list will be sent at the close of entries.

**3.9** The draw for the competition will be sent to players and available at [GolfWA events](#) approximately one week before the event.

## 4. TROPHIES

**4.1** The Men's Senior Amateur Champion and Women's Senior Amateur Champion of Western Australia will be the winners the Stroke Play section.

**4.2** The leading gross Western Australian player (male and female) will be invited to represent Western Australia in the 2025 Australian Amateur Seniors Championships at Monash Country Club, Ingleside, NSW from 14 to 16 October respectively. Should a state winner be unable to participate then the runner up will be invited in their place. Representatives will have some of their costs met for playing in the Championship.

## 5. CHAMPIONSHIP PLAY COMMITTEE

**5.1** The Championship Play Committee will comprise of; GolfWA Operations Manager, Events and Championships Officer, nominated GolfWA Rules official(s) and representative(s) from the host venue.

**5.2** In the absence of a full Championship Play 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 Play Committee.

**5.3** The Championship Play Committee will have the sole management and control of the Championship, with full power at any time to alter or vary any of the terms.

**5.4** The Championship Play Committee's decision on matters affecting the Championship will be final. Protests must be made in writing and submitted to the Championship Play Committee within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the day's play.

## 6. REFUND POLICY

Any entrant may withdraw and have the entrance fee refunded provided notification is received 5 days prior to the first round. To be eligible for a refund after this time players must provide GolfWA supporting documents regarding their withdrawal from the event (e.g., Medical certificate). In the case of an event not being completed (for example due to weather delays) refunds will not be provided.

## 7. MOTORISED TRANSPORT

The GolfWA policy on the use of motorised transportation will be enforced for the duration of the Championship. A copy of the policy is available from the Policies section of the GolfWA website <http://www.golfwa.org.au>.

## 8. RULES OF GOLF & GOLF AUSTRALIA HARD CARD

The Rules of Golf, as adopted by R&A Rules Limited, will apply, together with Golf Australia's Hard Card, and any additional Local Rules as drawn up by the Championship Play Committee.

## 9. PRACTICE ROUND

Any additional practice rounds should be arranged directly with the host club and is subject to their availability. A designated practice day has been allocated (refer 1.3) and any other days MAY be subject to a green fee.

#### **10. ANTI-DOPING AND IMPROPER USE OF DRUGS AND MEDICINE POLICY AND OTHER SPORT INTEGRITY AUSTRALIA POLICIES**

The Improper Use of Drugs and Medicine Policy within Sport Integrity Australia's National Integrity Framework and Sport Integrity Australia's National Anti-Doping Policy apply for this event. The National Anti-Doping Policy prevails if there are inconsistencies. These can be found by [clicking here](#).

The following [elearning courses](#) are recommended - Anti-Doping Fundamentals, Annual Update, Introduction to Illicit Drugs in Sport, Child Safeguarding, Competition Manipulation.

#### **11. DATABASE OF COMPETITORS' DETAILS**

The personal data contained in this entry is permanently retained by GolfWA. This data may be utilised by GolfWA 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, the GolfWA e-newsletter, or marketing material by the sponsor(s) of GolfWA events, or information about events conducted by GolfWA approved bodies. Upon receipt by GolfWA of a written request, a player may either have access to their details, or have their details deleted from the database. For further details, please refer to our privacy policy by [clicking here](#).

#### **14. CODE OF CONDUCT**

All entrants are bound by GolfWA's Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available by [clicking here](#). Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by GolfWA for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by GolfWA or GA codes of conduct and/or other related matters.

#### **15. LEGAL POLICIES (E.G. MATCH FIXING POLICY)**

All entrants are bound to comply with all of Golf Australia's legal policies. These policies relate to the golfer's behaviour and the behaviour of their associates during the tournament. Any breach of these policies may result in the competitor being withdrawn from the competition and subject to investigation and disciplinary proceedings. Depending on the nature of the offence, the competitor may also be subject to criminal charges arising from their conduct. It is the duty of the competitors and their associates to familiarise themselves with the relevant policies and ensure they comply. [Click here](#) to view Golf Australia's Legal Policies.

#### **16. IMAGES**

GolfWA may arrange for promotion of the Championship, for radio, internet and television broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship or excerpts thereof in any and all media throughout the world, whether now known or hereafter developed for an indefinite period of time. By this application, the player (or their parent or guardian if they are under 18 years) consents to the use by GolfWA, or persons authorised by GolfWA, of their name, likeness, voice and references to them and photographs and other images of them and their play connected with their appearance in the Championship, or any portion(s) thereof, in connection with such media promotion, broadcasting and other exhibition and publication of the Championship. GolfWA may utilise the rights granted it hereunder in connection with the promotion of this Championship as well as other GolfWA Championships and GolfWA. The cooperation of players with authorised representatives of the media is required, provided that no pre-Championship activities outside of those activities which are part of the Championship will be required and provided that the player's Championship play is not unreasonably interfered with. A player may email [neil.goddard@golf.org.au](mailto:neil.goddard@golf.org.au) if there are any concerns with this Term.

#### **17. SMOKING & CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL**

Please note that GolfWA and the development of golf is supported by Healthway and GolfWA encourages all participants to follow healthy food and drink options as such players and caddies are requested to refrain from smoking and/or consuming alcohol during a round. (Note: In addition to the more traditional forms of smoking, this policy is also considered to cover vaping and the like).

The Championship Play Committee may impose any penalty, where applicable. Their decision is final.