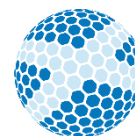


SCOTTISH BOYS' OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

8 – 10 April 2026

Cruden Bay Golf Club



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The following must be read in conjunction with the Scottish Golf General Terms of the Competition. It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure they have read and comply with these Terms of the Competition.

Entry Fee: £65
Closing Date: Monday 9 March 2026 @ 12 Noon

1. Eligibility

Eligibility criteria:

- Be of amateur status as defined by R&A Rules Limited.
- Under the age of 18 years at 00:01 on the 1st of January in the year which the Championship is played.
- Identify as male, transgender female, transgender male, or non-binary whose sex assigned at birth was male.
- Be in possession of a male assigned WHS™ Handicap Index® not exceeding 4.4.
or
Players who identify as transgender female with a female assigned WHS™ Handicap Index® not exceeding 0.4.

2. Entries

The starting field will be made up as follows:

- A maximum of 144 players.
- If entries exceed the maximum field size, a ballot of higher handicaps will take place based on WHS™ Handicap Index® taken at close of entry. Balloted entries will be placed on a reserve list.

3. Exemptions

The following players will be exempt from the ballot, providing that they have entered the Championship and meet the eligibility criteria in 1. above:

- The top 10 placed Scottish players in the previous year's Scottish Boys' U16 Open Championship.
Note: Players must have made the cut at the previous year's Championship to qualify.
- Players who reached the Quarter Final stage in the previous year's Scottish Boys' Amateur Championship.
- Winners of each of the recognised Boys' Scottish Area Junior Championships from the previous year.
- Winner of the previous year's Scottish Boys' Area Team Championship Niagara Cup.
- Up to 3 players at the discretion of Scottish Golf.

'Scottish' players are defined by the following criteria:

- Either have been born in Scotland; or
- Have one parent or grandparent born in Scotland or
- Have been domiciled in Scotland for 3 years on 1st of January in the year which the Championship is played.

Even if a player satisfies one or more of the criteria set out above, they are not eligible for exemption if:

- They have played in another country's Men's International Team within the last three years from 1st of January in the year which the Championship is played; and/or
- They are a current member of a national, state or regional squad of another country.

4. Format

- The Championship will comprise of a scheduled 72 holes of stroke play contested over 3 days. The top 40 competitors and ties returning the lowest gross scores after 36 holes will qualify for the final 36 holes.
- The Championship winner will be the competitor returning the lowest 72-hole gross score.

- c) In the event of a tie for first place after 72 holes, the Championship shall be decided by a sudden death play-off over holes to be decided by Scottish Golf. In the event of a tie for 2nd or subsequent places, a card count back will resolve any ties. The count back will be based on the lowest final 18 holes gross score, and if still tied the gross score of the last 9 holes (or 6, 3 or 1). If a tie still arises, the last 6, 3 or 1-hole(s) of the first 9 holes. If no decision is reached, a card play-off from hole 1 will apply, failing which; the winner will be decided by lot.
- d) A prize will be awarded to the competitor under 16 years of age at 00:01 hours on 1st January in the year which the Championship is played returning the lowest 72-hole gross score. In the event of a tie after 72 holes, a count back (as per c above) will be applied to decide the winner. If no competitor in this category qualifies for the final 36 holes, the winner will be the competitor with the lowest total after the initial 36 holes and the same card count back procedure applied in the event of a tie.
- e) Caddies are not permitted, and spectators must not walk close to or speak to the players during play.

5. Winner and Prizes

The winner of the Championship will be the Scottish Boys' Open Champion.

A prize presentation will follow the conclusion of play.

Winner:	Championship Trophy & Crystal Award
Runner-Up:	Runner-Up Crystal Award
Third Place:	3 rd Place Crystal Award
Best Under 16:	Trophy & Crystal Award

All trophies awarded at Championships shall be retained by Scottish Golf. Any player not present at the prize presentation who has failed to notify Scottish Golf will not be presented with their prize.