

SCOTTISH GOLF R&A 9-HOLE CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION



Handicap Limit: Men 28.4 | Women 36.4
Entry Fee: Free
Entry: @ scottishgolf.org
Closing Date: Monday 28 May 2018@ 12 Noon

1. Eligibility

The R&A 9-Hole Championship is open to all members of Scottish Golf affiliated clubs meeting the following criteria:

- Are of amateur status as defined by R&A Rules Limited.
- Are in possession of a CONGU competition handicap.
- Only represent 1 Golf Club in the National Final.

2. General

- Open to all Scottish Golf affiliated clubs who have a designated 9-Hole standard scratch score.
- All stages run in accordance with R&A Rules of Golf and in conjunction with the club's own local rules.
- All clubs are invited to schedule 9-Hole qualifying competitions and submit 1 leading pair to the National Final.
- Club qualifying competitions may be standalone 9-Hole fixtures or attached to an existing 9-Hole competition.
- Members of more than 1 club may compete in the qualifying round at each affiliated club where they are a member, but may only represent 1 golf club should they qualify for the National Final.
- [Ready Golf](#) will be encouraged at all stages of the championship.

3. Format

Club Qualifying

- All stages will be played as 9-Hole stableford played on 1 day.
- Event will be contested in pairs which may be male, female or mixed but only include a maximum of 1 U18 player.
- Pairs must be nominated before play and if competing in same group must not give advice or mark each other's card.
- A player's 9-Hole handicap allowance will be calculated by your club system's software using the following formula.
[Exact Handicap + Nine-Hole SSS – (Nine-Hole Par x2)] / 2.
- The team score is calculated from the combined stableford points of both players.
- The committee is responsible for running the qualifying round and deciding ties at their club.
- The leading 1 club pair from each club will qualify for the National 9-Hole Final at Milnathort Golf Club on either Thursday 14 June or Friday 15 June 2018.

National Final

- In the event of a tie at the National Final, the qualifiers and ordering of subsequent reserve places will be decided by card count back based on the team stableford scores over the last 6 holes (or 3 or 1). If a tie still arises a card play-off from the 1st hole will apply, failing which; the qualifiers and subsequent reserve places will be decided by lot.
- In exceptional circumstances e.g. in the case of inclement weather, Scottish Golf reserves the right to amend the format and any conditions pertaining to the National Final as it sees fit in order to achieve a result.
- All disputes will be decided by Scottish Golf whose decision will be final.
- The leading 2 pairs from each qualifying day at the National Final will advance to the 9-Hole Grand Final which will take place at Carnoustie on Saturday 14th July where Scottish qualifiers will compete against successful pairs from England, Ireland and Wales.

N.B. Grand Final related correspondence will be communicated via the R&A directly to the finalists' clubs.

4. Entries

- All clubs must submit their leading club pair's score to Scottish Golf by the closing date.
- It is the entrant's responsibility to ensure their handicap is correct if entering via Centralised Database Handicap (CDH)
- Correspondence will be sent to the club email address provided at time of entry a min. of 2 weeks prior to the National Final.
- Scottish Golf will not be responsible for any correspondence that fails to reach competitors.
- Scottish Golf reserves the right to refuse any championship entry.

- f) In the event of the National Final becoming over-subscribed Scottish Golf reserve the right to schedule an additional date.

5. Withdrawals

Withdrawals will only be accepted when written confirmation is received by events@scottishgolf.org.

6. Registration

ALL teams must register on the day at the Scottish Golf registration desk at least 30 minutes prior to their start time. Failure to do so may result in a team forfeiting their place in the field.

7. Substitutions

National Final

In the event of a player(s) being unable to compete substitutions are permitted.

Grand Final

In the event of a player (s) being unable to compete, the next available pair from the National Final will be invited.

8. Policies & Procedures

The following policies and procedures apply to all Scottish Golf Championships and are available to view at scottishgolf.org/events

- a) Disciplinary Policy
- b) Transportation Policy
- c) Pace of Play Conditions
- d) Distance Measuring Devices
- e) Anti-Doping Rules - Scottish Golf follow the UK Anti-Doping Rules published by UK Anti-Doping (or its successor), as amended from time to time. Such rules shall take effect and be construed as the rules. You can find the UK Anti-Doping Rules at <http://www.ukad.org.uk>.
- f) The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf (Pages 154 - 156) are in effect regarding conforming driver heads and conforming golf balls.
- g) Images/Video & Publications - Scottish Golf arranges publicity before and during the championship in the press and by live and recorded radio and television broadcasting and filming and on the internet on the following sites

scottishgolf.org

golfbox.dk/livescoring

[ScottishGolf TV \(youtube\)](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)

Images and filming at the championship may be taken for media coverage or promotional purposes e.g. website including social media or publication and these images may be accompanied by personal details such as full name and associated golf club.

Scottish Golf will follow the guidance for the use of videos and images of young people as detailed within our [Child Protection Policy and Procedures page 52](#) and will take steps to ensure these images are used solely for the purposes they are intended as indicated above.

If you have any concerns regarding videos or photographs on websites or social media sites and either the parent/guardian or the young person wishes the data to be removed please contact the Scottish Golf Child Protection Officer, Gavin Forrester on 01334 466478 or g.forrester@scottishgolf.org.

9. Disclaimer/Consent

Neither the host venue nor Scottish Golf can be held responsible for any personal injury, loss of or damage to, equipment or personal possessions at championships.

When you enter with the intention of competing in a championship you give consent for your personal information to be collected in order to confirm your entry and provide you with any championship specific information directly related to your participation in the event.

You have the right to object to Scottish Golf using your personal information for the above purposes. Should you wish to object please contact events@scottishgolf.org to have your details removed. Please be aware that by removing your data may result in you not being able to directly receive championship specific and draw information which may affect your ability to compete.