



**31<sup>st</sup> SINGAPORE LADIES AMATEUR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**MONDAY, 9 JUNE TO 12 JUNE 2025**  
**TERMS OF COMPETITION**

The following Terms of Competition, together with any additions or amendments as published by the Organising Committee, will apply to this Championship.

**1. GENERAL**

The 31<sup>st</sup> Singapore Ladies Amateur Open Championship will be played at Seletar Country Club from Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June to Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025, in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Ltd and with the Local rules as approved by the Organising Committee (“OC”).

**2. ELIGIBILITY**

Entries are open to all Female Amateur golfers (herein refereed as “players”) in accordance with the rules of amateur status as approved by R & A Rules Limited.

i. Players must possess a current WHS Handicap issued by an Association authorized by the USGA and the R&A. Players with WHS Handicap Index as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 will be assigned to the following Division Categories:

<b>Division Categories</b>	<b>WHS Handicap Index @ 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025</b>
Open	Up to 7.8
Mid-Amateur A	7.9 to 12.9
Mid-Amateur B	13.0 to 17.1
Evergreen (above 50 years old)	Up to 17.1

ii. All entries will be subject to the approval of the OC which reserves the right to accept or refuse or having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving a reason for its decision.

iii. Entrants must conform to the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R&A Rules.



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#### **3. TOURNAMENT FORMAT OF PLAY**

- i. The Championship will be decided by Strokeplay over 3 rounds of 18 holes. A cut will be made after 36 holes for the top 60% of players in the respective divisions, who shall qualify for the final round.
- ii. The overall winner of the Championship shall be the player with the lowest Gross aggregate score over 3 rounds of 18 holes, in the Open Championship.
- iii. The division winners shall be the player with the lowest Gross aggregate score over 3 rounds of 18 holes, in each of their divisions.
- iv. The Team event consists of 3 players from within each Division. The overall winning team shall be the team with the lowest Gross aggregate score of 2 players over 2 round of 18 holes.
- v. Depending on the number of participants within each Division, the OC reserves the right to change the team member composition for the Championship. For example, if there are insufficient players within a Mid-Amateur Division, the OC may combine the divisions for the Team Championship.
- vi. The players for the Open Championship will tee off from the White tees and the players for the Mid-Amateur Division will tee off from the Red tees.

#### **4. SIZE OF THE FIELD**

- i. The field will be limited to a maximum of 100 participants. The roster will be confirmed based on the lowest handicaps within each division.
- ii. The OC reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning any reason for such refusal. The decision of the OC as to the acceptance or refusal of any entries shall be final.



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**5. ENTRY FORM AND CLOSING DATE**

- i. The entry fees are as follows:

<b>Division Categories</b>	<b>HI</b>	<b>Overseas Participants</b>	<b>Local Participants</b>
Open	Up to 7.8	US\$500	S\$450
Mid-Amateur A	7.9 to 12.9	US\$600	S\$550
B	13.0 to 17.1		
Evergreen	Up to 17.1		
SLGA Evergreen	Up to 17.1		S\$530
Host club members			S\$250
Team event		S\$60 each team	S\$60 each team

- ii. Entry fees include the golf tournament, invitation to the Welcome Reception and Registration and Prize Presentation Lunch
- iii. All entries must be made on the prescribed Entry Form (in google form) and full payment must be made by 30 April 2025.
- iv. Late entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the OC.

**6. DRAW**

- i. The draw for the 1st and 2nd Round will be made by the OC before the start of the Championship.
- ii. The draw for the final round will be based on the cumulative Gross scores of the 2 preceding rounds.

**7. TIME OF STARTING**

- i. Players shall start at the time and in the order indicated in the draw. No substitution of players and changes of starting times shall be permitted after the draw has been made. The event will be held in the morning session.
- ii. The OC reserves the right to fix and/or alter the starting times.



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#### **8. SUBMISSION OF SCORECARDS**

- i. Players must check their cards in the Scoring Area and ensure that they are correct and signed. Any doubtful points must be settled with the OC before leaving the Scoring Area.
- ii. A player is deemed to have returned her scorecard and no further amendments may be made once she has left the Scoring Area.

#### **9. DECISION OF TIES**

- i. In the event of a tie or ties for the 1st Place in the Open Championship, the Champion shall be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off. In the event of inclement weather or other reasons deemed by the Tournament Director to make a play-off impractical, the winner shall be decided on countback by matching of scorecards of the 3rd round for the best score of the last 18 holes (1-18), last 9 (10-18), last 6 (13-18), last 3 (16-18) or the final 18th hole. If necessary, the 2nd or the 1st round will be used in the same manner to break the tie.
- ii. Ties for all other positions will be decided on countback by matching of scorecards of the 3rd round for the best score of the last 18 holes (1-18), last 9 (10-18), last 6 (13-18), last 3 (16-18) or the final 18th hole. If necessary, the 2nd or the 1st round will be used in the same manner to break the tie.

#### **10. SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION (RULE 5.7b)**

- i. A suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signaled using the host club's warning system. The penalty for the breach of Rule 5.7b is Disqualification.
- ii. All practice areas that are in open areas shall be closed during the suspension for a dangerous situation until the OC has declared them as "Open".



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#### **11. INCLEMENT WEATHER**

- i. In the event that the 1st round of the tournament cannot be completed, it shall be continued the next day before the commencement of the 2nd round.
- ii. In the event that the 2nd round of the tournament cannot be completed, it shall be continued the next day before the commencement of the 3rd round.
- iii. If the 2nd round and/ or the 3rd round cannot be completed, the round shall be abandoned. The result of the tournament will be based on completed rounds.
- iv. If the OC considers for any reason, that the course is not in a playable condition, or due to unforeseen circumstances, the completion of the round is deemed impossible, it may order a temporary suspension of play or declare play null and void and cancel all scores for the round in question. When a round is cancelled, all penalties incurred in that round are cancelled.
- v. The decision of the OC will be FINAL.

#### **12. CADDIES**

Caddies are not allowed for the Championship.

#### **13. BUGGIES**

- i. Players shall use buggies throughout the Championship. Buggies must not be driven up onto the putting green or in the rough. A serious breach of this etiquette, the mis-use of buggies, or repeated failure to heed instructions on the restriction of buggies' movement may result in Disqualification.
- ii. Players are responsible for any damage to their buggies.
- iii. All players are required to use the buggies (twin-sharing basis). The golfing fees for this event will be borne by SLGA.

#### **14. PACE OF PLAY**

Rule 5.6b (Prompt Pace of Play) will be strictly enforced. Please refer to the Memorandum of Individual Pace of Play policy.



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#### **15. DISPUTES OR DOUBTS AS TO THE PROCEDURE**

- i. If there are any doubts as to the correct procedures, players are to refer to the Tournament Referee. If a Tournament Referee is not immediately available, a player (having notified his marker) may elect to play two balls in accordance with Rule 20.1c(3) and obtain a ruling after the round, before signing and returning the scorecard.
- ii. The appointed Tournament Referee's decision on all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf is FINAL.
- iii. No spectators (including accompanying officials) shall enter into any discussion on a matter under dispute.

#### **16. TOURNAMENT REFEREES**

- i. Qualified SGA referees will be appointed to manage all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf
- ii. The Tournament Referee's decision on all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf is FINAL.

#### **17. INSURANCE**

All players are required to have appropriate golfing insurance.

#### **18. INDEMNITY/LIABILITIES**

SLGA, SGA, the host club Seletar Country Club, the Sponsors, the OC and the staff will not be responsible for any loss, damage or harm, or any form of injuries that the players of the tournament may suffer as a result of their participation in this Championship.



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**19. LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS & GOLF BALLS**

- i. List of Conforming Driver Heads: Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect.
- ii. List of Conforming Golf Balls: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect.

**20. GROOVE AND PUNCH MARK SPECIFICATIONS**

Groove and Punch Mark Specifications: Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect.

**21. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS**

- i. All players must conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be.
- ii. Any action contrary to the spirit of the game such as abusive language, throwing of clubs or other disruptive behaviour, will not be tolerated and may result in a player not being able to continue in the competition.
- iii. The use of cellphones (except in an emergency) and smoking are not allowed on the course.
- iv. The following may be considered as “Serious Breach of Etiquette” for this competition:
  - a. Cellphone ringing and the use of cellphone during play (except when making emergency calls and/or calling for a ruling)
  - b. Verbal abuse of fellow competitors, officials, staff
  - c. Intentionally distracting or offending a fellow competitor.

*NOTE: Any other “Breaches of Etiquette” not listed above will be dealt with by the OC on an Individual Basis. PENALTY FOR SERIOUS BREACH OF ETIQUETTE: **DISQUALIFICATION** at the discretion of the OC under Rule 1.2*



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#### **22. DRESS CODE**

- i. Players are required to observe the dress code of the host club, Seletar Country Club and the rules and regulations of the Club. Players must be properly attired on the golf course. Blue jeans, designer jeans, round neck tee shirts and tank tops are prohibited. Golf shirts must be worn and shorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh (no jeans shorts or hot pants).
- ii. A player violating this dress code will not be permitted to start the tournament. A violation of this dress code by the player during the stipulated round must be rectified without undue delay or the player will not be allowed to continue play.
- iii. Only soft spikes golf shoes are permitted on the course.

#### **23. COMPETITION CLOSED**

The Championship shall be deemed to have closed when prizes have been awarded to the winners.

#### **24. PRACTICE**

- i. The driving range will be open at 0600 during the tournament except on Monday 9 June (during the Practice Round). The driving range will be open at 1400 during the Practice Round. Range balls can be purchased at the Driving Range complex.
- ii. Practice round is on June 9 and must be booked by May 23 via email to [slao@slga.org.sg](mailto:slao@slga.org.sg) at S\$135 payable onsite at the hosting club.





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#### **25. PRIZES**

The following prizes will be awarded:

- i. Overall Gross Champion
- ii. Open Division – Gross Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner -Up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up
- iii. Overall Mid-Amateur Gross Champion
- iv. Mid-Amateur A Division – Gross Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner -Up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up, Net Champion
- v. Mid-Amateur B Division – Gross Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner -Up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up, Net Champion
- vi. Mid- Amateur Evergreen Division – Gross Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner -Up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner Up, Net Champion
- vii. Team Event – Champion, 1<sup>st</sup> Runner -Up

#### **26. GENERAL**

All players are deemed to have read, understood and agreed to abide by the rules and conditions of the Championship upon their entries being accepted by the OC.

#### **27. AMENDMENTS TO CONDITIONS**

The OC reserves the right to amend and/or alter these Championship conditions.

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#### **Memorandum of Individual Pace of Play**

1. In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if they are in excess of the time allowed and in the case of the second or subsequent groups, “out of position”.
  2. Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based on the length, the difficulty and the ability of the field. The maximum time allowed for the completion of a round of 18 holes or less shall be made available to the player prior to playing or posted on the Official Notice Board.
  3. The first group or any group after the starters gap (if it is in place) shall be considered “out of position” if at any time during the round, the groups cumulative time exceeds the time allowed for the number of holes completed. Any following groups shall be “out of position” if they are more than the starting interval behind the group in front and have exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes played.
  4. If a decision is taken to time the group each player in the group shall be subject to individual timing by a referee. Each player in the group shall be advised that they are “out of position” and are being timed.
  5. The maximum time allowed for each shot is 40 seconds. An additional 10 seconds is allowed for the first player to play;
    - a. On a Par 3 Hole
    - b. An approach shot
    - c. A chip or putt
  6. The timing shall start from the moment it is deemed by the Referee or Official that is the player’s turn to play.
  7. The timing shall cease when the group is back in position and the player shall be advised accordingly.
- Note: In some circumstances, an individual player; or two players within a group of three or three players within a group of four may be timed instead of the entire group.



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8. If a group is being timed more than once during a round, the above procedures shall apply. A bad time in a round shall be carried forward until the round is completed.

**1st Bad time:** A player shall be warned by a Referee or Official that if she has a further bad time, she shall be penalized.

**2nd Bad time:** A player is penalized one stroke which shall apply to the hole in which the player had the 2nd Bad time.

**3rd Bad time:** A player shall be penalized two strokes which shall apply to the hole in which the player had the 3rd Bad time

**4th Bad time:** The player shall be disqualified.