



European Young Masters

Conditions of Competition

1. GENERAL

1.1 Form of Play

The Girls' and Boys' Championships shall each be decided by stroke play over three rounds of 18 holes each day, in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the Local Rules approved by the Committee and the Conditions herein.

A subsidiary Nations' Cup will be played in conjunction. The three best of the two girls' and two boys' scores will count each day. The total aggregate of the nine scores over the three days will constitute the team's score.

1.2 Eligibility of Competitors

All competitors must be:

- amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited;
- nominated by an EGA member country and citizens of the country represented: two girls and two boys per country. Players with dual citizenship may only represent one country per year;
- playing off a handicap of **16.0 (Girls)** or **12.0 (Boys)** or better;
- Under the age of 16 years as of 0.00 hrs, 1 January, the year of the championship.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Disqualification.

1.3 Advice (Note to Rule 8-1)

Each Nations' Cup team may appoint a "Team Advisor", who may give advice to members of that team, from either:

- a Team Captain, who must be an amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited; or
- another person who may or may not be a professional golfer.

If appointed, a Team Advisor must be identified to the Committee prior to the start of the Championship.

Note: A team Captain may be named in addition to a Team Advisor, but then, only the Team Advisor may offer advice. Please refer to 1.6 (a) for caddying permissions.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Disqualification of the team.

1.4 Substitutes

If a substitute is required, the Committee must be notified, at the latest, 20 minutes before the first tee time of Day 1. After this deadline, the Nations' Cup team must remain with the same players for the entire Championship. A substitute is permitted for any reason, but may not participate in the practice rounds until he or she has been officially substituted for a team member with permission from the Committee. A breach of this Condition may result in the substitute not being permitted to compete.

1.5 Practice

A player who is competing in the championship will not be allowed to practice on the championship course for a period of thirty days before the first official practice day, unless he or she is a member of the golf club at which the championship is being played. Only registered team players will be permitted

to practice during the official practice rounds and in official practice areas.

See Section 1.4 for information on practice for substitutes.

1.6 Caddies / Transportation / Electric Golf Trolleys

- No caddies are permitted except for fellow team members.
- Players must not ride on any form of transport during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Committee.
- Electric golf trolleys are not permitted.

Penalty for Breach of Condition:

Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round: four strokes.

In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

For 1.6 a): A player having a caddie in breach of this Condition must immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred ensure that he conforms to this Condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise, the player is disqualified.

For 1.6 b) and c): Use of any unauthorised form of transportation or an electric golf trolley shall be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the player is disqualified.

1.7 Pace of Play

In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and, in the case of second or subsequent groups, out of position.

From the commencement of timing, if any competitor exceeds 50 seconds on a first to play approach shot (including a Par 3 tee shot), chip or putt, or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or second or third to play shot, he is deemed to have a "bad time".

The time allowed to play each hole and stipulated round will be determined by the Committee and published on the official notice board. Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front in the absence of mitigating circumstances.

A competitor whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

Penalty for Breach of Condition:

One bad time	Verbal warning from official;
Two bad times	One stroke penalty;
Three bad times	Two stroke penalty;
Four bad times	Disqualification.

1.8 Driving Clubs / Conforming Golf Balls / Time of Starting

The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect regarding Conforming Driver Heads and Golf Balls (page 141) and Time of Starting (page 143).

1.9 Suspension of Play due to a Dangerous Situation (Note to Rule 6-8b)

The specimen condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect (page 144).

Note: A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will



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be signalled by a **prolonged note of a horn**. All other suspensions will be signalled by **three consecutive short notes** of a horn repeated. In either case, resumption of play will be signalled by **two short notes** of a horn repeated.

1.10 Anti-Doping

All competitors are subject to the provisions of the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy (www.internationalgolfederation.org). Any competitors who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from the EGA Office not later than 30 days before the start of the championship.

1.11 Gender Policy

Any player not complying with EGA Gender Policy guidelines or refusing measures for gender determination as recommended by the host country's national sports council will be disqualified.

1.12 Use of Electronic Devices

See Decision 14-3/16.

1.13 Return of Scorecards

Competitors must return their scorecards, in accordance with Rule 6-6b, to an area designated by the Committee as the Scoring or Recording Area. The scorecard is considered returned when the competitor has left the Scoring or Recording Area.

1.14 Decision of Ties

In the event of a tie for first place after three rounds in either the Girls' or Boys' Championship, the winner shall be decided by a hole by hole play-off over one or more holes selected by the Committee. The play-off shall start as soon as practicable after the final competitors have finished their round.

In case of a tie for the silver or bronze medal, the places will be decided on the basis of scores recorded for the final 18, 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole, in that order.

A tie for any place in the Nations' Cup shall be decided using the lowest total of the three non-counting scores. If a tie still exists, the sum of the three lowest scores, one from each day, shall be used. Then, for further ties, the sum of the two second lowest scores and the third lowest scores, one from each day, shall be used. Any further tie will be decided based on the final stipulated 18, 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole, in that order, of the best score from each of the tied teams.

1.15 Results of the Competition / Competition Closed

When the final results are placed on the official notice board and/or results sheet, the results of the Championship shall be deemed to have been officially announced. Any dispute must be referred to the Committee before the conclusion of play on the final day and not later than 15 minutes after play concludes on the preceding days.

2. COMMITTEE

2.1 Composition of Authority

The EGA Championship Committee members present are responsible for the sporting aspects of the Championship and reserve the right to amend the Championship

Conditions.

The Committee may appoint a Referee whose decision on the Rules of Golf will be final.

2.2 Competition Cancelled or Altered

The Committee reserves the right to reduce or cancel any stipulated round, suspend or postpone play, cancel the competition or come to an equitable decision to achieve a result.

3. ENTRIES

3.1 Entry Form

Entries will only be accepted on the official entry form and must be received at the EGA office or the host nation if specified before the closing date. Partially completed or late entries will not be accepted.

3.2 Authorisation of Entries

All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Committee who reserves the right to accept or refuse any entry without giving any reason for its decision, which shall be final.

4. PRIZES

4.1 Title and Awards

The winner of the Championship in each of the Girls' and Boys' categories shall be The European Young Masters Champion Golfer for a period of one year. In each category, the winner shall receive a gold medal, the runner up, a silver medal and the third-placed competitor, a bronze medal.

The EGA will present medals to the members of the three lowest scoring teams in the Nations' Cup.

Professional golfers nominated as Team Advisors may receive a medal in the absence of a non-playing amateur Team Captain.

The EGA will present the host club with a memento.

The host country will present all participants with a memento.

5. REGISTRATION

5.1 Registration Deadline

Team players' names should be submitted to the hosting national golf authority no later than 10 days prior to the first official practice round. Participating teams must register as soon as possible following their arrival at the championship venue. Team captains may register players' names on behalf of their team.

6. DISCLAIMER

All competitors agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal and sole liability for all such risks.

EGA Championship Committee
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