



Conditions of Competition

1. GENERAL

1.1 Form of Play

The Championship shall be decided by stroke play over four 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.

1.2 Eligibility of Competitors

- An entry will be accepted from any amateur player who has been R&A WAGRanked 1-1200 (see <http://wagr.randa.org/>) from 01/01/2009 to the date of entry.
- An entry will be accepted from any amateur player with an exact handicap of 0.0 or better. The exact handicap certified at the date of entry will be used for all purposes.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Disqualification.

1.3 Number of Competitors

The starting field will comprise 144 competitors.

Any entrant in at least one of the following categories will be allocated a place in the starting field:

- The reigning International European Amateur Champion.
- One entrant nominated by each EGA member national golf authority and an additional four entrants nominated by the host country.
- The highest ranked entrants with an R&A WAGRanking 1-1200 at the closing date for entries.

Having applied Condition 1.3 (a) - (c), the remainder of the starting field, if incomplete, will comprise entrants in order of exact handicap.

Note: the Committee reserves the right to limit the number of competitors from any country in the final starting list.

1.4 Cut

The 60 lowest scores over the first 54 holes including ties shall qualify for the final 18 holes.

1.5 Caddies / Transportation

- A competitor is prohibited from having a professional golfer serve as his caddie during any stipulated round.
- Competitors must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorised by the Committee.

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 1.5 (a), a competitor having a caddie in breach of this condition must immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred ensure that he conforms with this condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise, the competitor is disqualified.

For 1.5 (b), the use of any unauthorised form of transportation shall be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the competitor is disqualified.

1.6 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.

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:

First offence	Verbal warning from a Rules Official
Second offence	One stroke penalty
Third offence	Two stroke penalty
For subsequent offence	Disqualification

1.7 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 and Time of Starting.

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

The signal for the suspension of play due to a dangerous situation will be:

Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged note of siren.

Discontinue Play: Three consecutive notes of siren, repeated.

Resume Play: Two short notes of siren, repeated.

1.9 Anti-Doping

Competitors shall not make use of any drug to enhance their performance. In this respect, competitors' attention is drawn to the prescribed list of prohibited drugs issued by the host country's national sports council. Any competitor infringing this Condition or refusing to take a drug test may be disqualified.

1.10 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.

1.11 Mobile Telephones / Electronic Equipment

The use of a mobile telephone, paging device or any other form of electronic equipment by a competitor or his caddie while on the golf course during a stipulated round is distracting and inconsiderate. If the competitor or the caddie is in possession of such a device, it should be turned off. Any use may result in the Committee taking disciplinary action against the offending person(s) in accordance with the concluding paragraph of Section 1: Etiquette in the Rules of Golf and, ultimately, in a penalty being imposed under Rule 33-7.

1.12 Return of Scorecards

Competitors must return their scorecards, in accordance with Rule 6-6b, to an area designated by the Committee as the



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“Scoring or Recording Area”. The scorecard is considered returned when the competitor has left the Scoring or Recording Area.

1.13 Decision of Ties

In the event of a tie for first place after four rounds, the winner shall be decided by a play-off by stroke play over three holes to be selected by the Committee. The play-off shall start as soon as practicable after the last competitors have finished their final round. The competitor with the lowest aggregate score over the three extra holes shall be declared the winner. In the event of a further tie, the winner shall be decided by hole by hole over the same three holes.

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 36, 18, 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole, in that order.

1.14 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 with full entry fee payment before the closing date. Partially completed or late entries will not be accepted. An entrant's form will not have been officially received until his name has been posted at www.ega-golf.ch.

3.2 Late Withdrawals

Competitors who withdraw less than three days prior to the start of the Championship, other than for sickness or other special circumstances, may have their future entries rejected.

3.3 Refunds Following Withdrawal

Entry fees will only be refunded in the case of withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who may be balloted out and who do not subsequently compete or those withdrawing for medical reasons.

3.4 Authorisation of Entries

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

4. PRIZES

4.1 Title

The winner of the Championship shall be the International European Amateur Champion Golfer for a period of one year. The Championship Trophy shall be held by his national golf authority, which will be responsible for the cost of engraving, insuring and maintaining the trophy and should return it, before the next Championship, to an address named by the EGA Secretary.

4.2 Placings

The winner shall receive a gold medal, the runner up a silver medal and the third-placed competitor a bronze medal.

5. REGISTRATION

5.1 Registration Deadline

Competitors are requested to register at the club house immediately on arrival, but not later than 12h00 on the day preceding the championship. A competitor's failure to meet this deadline or to pre-notify the Committee of their pending arrival time may result in the competitor losing his starting field place to a reserve.

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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