

EUROPEAN CHAMPIONSHIP FOR GOLFERS WITH DISABILITY

Conditions of Competition

1. GENERAL

Three championships are played simultaneously

- The European Men's Championship for Golfers with Disability (EMCGD);
- The European Women's Championship for Golfers with Disability (EWCGD);
- The European Wheelchair Championship (EWC).

1.1 Form of Play

Each of the three Championships shall be decided by stroke play gross over three rounds of 18 holes each day, in accordance with the Rules of Golf, the Modification of the Rules of Golf for Golfers with Disabilities as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the European Golf Association (EGA) Generic Conditions, EGA Hard Card, the Local Rules as approved by the Championship Committee at the event and the regulations as stated in the "Organising an EDGA Approved Tournament" manual.

The draw for the first round will be determined by handicap order (subject to buggies availability). The draw for the second and third rounds will be determined according to the previous round's results.

1.2 Eligibility of Competitors

All competitors must be:

- a) amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by R&A Rules Limited;
- b) holders of a confirmed (no review) "EDGA Pass" delivered by a recognised EDGA classifier;
- c) playing off a certified handicap of **18.4** or better for the EMCGD, **26.4** or better for the EWCGD and **26.4** or better for the EWC; 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

A maximum of 100 competitors shall be eligible to compete, with a maximum of 15 players for the EWCGD and 15 players for the EWC. If the number of entries in each championship exceeds the above, the starting field will be decided according to the provisions of Sections 2.1 and 3.1.

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

1.4 Caddies

There is no restriction regarding who may serve as caddie for this event.

1.5 Decision of Ties

In the event of a tie for first place after three rounds in each of the three competitions, the winner shall be decided by a "sudden death" 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. If a tie still exists, an 18-hole count-back will be used on the second and then first round, if necessary.

2. ENTRIES

2.1 Starting and Reserve Lists

If entries exceed 100, the starting field shall be decided as follows:

- entrants as detailed in Section 3 shall be exempted from the reserve list.
- the 24 highest ranked men, with qualifying handicaps, from the Official Ranking for Golfers with Disability shall be exempted from the reserve list.
- the 5 highest ranked women and the five highest ranked wheelchair players, with qualifying handicaps, from the Official Ranking for Golfers with Disability shall be exempted from the reserve list.
- the remainder of the starting field will be decided by handicap order.

Unsuccessful entrants shall be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Entrance fees will be refunded to entrants balloted out who do not subsequently compete.

3. EXEMPTIONS

3.1 Categories

The following will be exempt from the reserve list:

- a) the defending champion and the runner-up, whether they satisfy the handicap requirements or not;
- b) one officially nominated competitor with qualifying handicap from each EDGA member golf authority and one additional competitor with qualifying handicap from the host country. Such "Wild Card(s)" can be used for either the Men, Women or Wheelchair categories and is(are) not transferable.

4. PRIZES

4.1 Title and Trophy

The player with the lowest stroke play score in each Championship shall be declared the European Golfer with Disability Champion for a period of two years. The Championship Trophy, presented by the EDGA, shall be held by the winner's 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 EDGA Secretary.

4.2 Awards

For each of the three Championships, the EGA will present the winner with a gold medal, the runner up, a silver medal and the third-placed competitor, a bronze medal.

EGA Championship Committee
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