



INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Conditions of Play

The tournament will be held in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and Local Rules as approved by the Southern Cape Golf Union.

Entry Requirements

Open to Amateurs who are members of a Golf Club affiliated to the Southern Cape Golf Union and who have a handicap index of **15.3** or less as assessed in terms of the SAGA Course Rating and Handicapping System. If your handicap index exceeds 15.3 you will be allowed to play, but your handicap index will be reduced to a 15.3. **Players entering the Southern Cape Closed will take preference over the 2024 Oubaai Open.**

Field Size

All players who have entered for the Southern Cape Closed will take preference. Entries will be limited to 80 players. Should more than the stipulated entries be received, entries will be reduced by the Tournament Organizing Committee based on the Exemption Categories below, higher handicap index or by means they deem to be fair.

Exemption Categories:

Entrants who are exempt from a ballot will be:

- Open OOM winners of the 2023/2024 season. (Country Districts, Mid-Amateur, Open Men and Open Women)
- If a player has chosen to represent SCGU at the 2023 Premier, Mid-Amateur & Women's Premier Inter Provincial Tournament.
- A minimum of 6 spots will be reserved for women that includes point b. Should more entries be received it will be subject to tournament ballot.
- The top 4 players from the SAGDB who do not qualify as above on points a, b, and c.

Form of Competition

Tournaments will be played over one day and will be limited to Eighteen (18) holes only. All players will enter using their Handicap index, and our Scoring Program will then calculate your Course Handicap on the morning of play. The Divisions will be as follow:

- A Division (6.5 – less Handicap Index) - Medal**
- B Division (6.6 – 15.3 Handicap Index) – Individual Stableford**
- In the event of a tie for the championship, a sudden death play-off will take place over Hole 18 until the winner is determined.**

Entry Procedure

Please enter online via or website www.scgu.co.za. Alternatively, entry forms are obtainable from Oubaai Golf Estate, Secretaries of Affiliated Golf Clubs, and the Southern Cape Golf Union and website www.scgu.co.za

The entry fee will be displayed on Albatros online entry, and entries will close the Wednesday before the event at 12h00.

Entries

Entries are only considered successful once payment or proof of payment has been received.

Closing date

Entries close at noon on Wednesday 3rd July 2024. **Late entries and entries without payment or payment arrangement will not be accepted.**

Withdrawals

Only written or faxed cancellation will be accepted and if received after the closing date no refund will be made.

Draw & Starting Times

The draw will available after the first round of the Southern Cape Closed. Players who have only entered for the Oubaai Open can expect to tee off from 08h00.

Registration

All participating players must register at least 30 minutes prior to their tee off time on Sunday 7th July 2024.

The registration area will be located in the restaurant area.

Practise

All competing players will be allowed to use the Oubaai Golf Estate warm up area prior to their round. The practise area is located Infront of the Oubaai Golf Estate clubhouse.

Decisions

Decisions and disputes of any kind will be dealt with by the Tournament Committee of the Southern Cape Golf Union.

Golf Carts

PLEASE NOTE that it will be compulsory for all competing players to ride on a golf cart. Cart fees are included in your entry fee, and this ensures that the playing field is fair. Players without an RSA driver's license will be drawn with a valid driver's license holder. **All competing players must sign Oubaai Golf Estate's golf cart Indemnity Form.**

Spectators

Parents / Spectators must at all times remain 30 meters from any player. No interference will be allowed whatsoever.

Dress Code

- Soft spikes.
- Golf specific shorts will be allowed. Shorts must be knee length and cargo or draw string shorts are not permitted.
- Only recognised golf attire will be allowed. No collarless shirts.

Distance Measuring Devices (D.M. D's)

For the duration of the tournament a player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4-3a (1).

***Penalty for breach of Rule 4-3a (1):** First offence: Two Strokes, Second offence: Disqualification

Prize Giving

The Southern Cape Golf Union hereby requests that all competing players please attend the prize giving on Sunday 7th July 2024. Failure to attend will lead to players forfeiting their prize. The 2023/24 Order of Merit season concludes at the Southern Cape Closed, and the winners of the respective Order of Merits will be announced that day. The 2024 Premier IPT, Mid-Amateur and Women IPT sides will also be announced at prize giving, as well as the prize winners of the Closed Championships.

Consent Clause

By entering for this competition, I agree and consent, as a data subject contemplated in the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013, to processing of my personal information as supplied in accordance with Southern Cape Golf Union's Privacy Policy which can be viewed per request.

General

- a) **A request is made to all players to please respect the courtesy granted by the host club and to ensure you take responsibility for your own wellbeing. Players to please repair all divots and pitch marks, and not to litter the golf course and surrounds. Sandbags will also be compulsory for this tournament.**
- b) **All entrants, by completing the entry process and accepting the Terms of Competition agree to accept and comply with all aspects of the host venue.**

Exemption of Liability

The Southern Cape Golf Union, Host Club and Facility, SAGA & GolfRSA and their management will not be held responsible for any damages, loss, or reckless behaviour of a player.

Personal loss and or other forms of loss, harm or injury sustained as stipulated below:

- a) Physical and/or emotional injuries suffered during the tournament/championship, due to any acts of God, suffered as a direct result thereof, including aspects such as being struck by lightning, etc.
- b) Physical injuries of any kind suffered by any person, including a player or spectator sustained by own negligence, or otherwise.
- c) Emotional injuries sustained due to any loss, including death, suffered because of any of the above injuries sustained personally or by a spectator.
- d) Damages suffered to any property of a player.
- e) The player acknowledges the exemption of any liability of the Union and its management as listed above when he signs the acknowledgement or agrees to the Conditions of Entry. He also acknowledges the contents of the above, he understands it, and exempts the Southern Cape Golf Union, Host Club and Facility, SAGA & GolfRSA from any liability as indicated above.

THE SOUTHERN CAPE GOLF UNION RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REFUSE ANY ENTRY.

