



WOMEN'S GOLF
ASSOCIATION OF THE
PHILIPPINES



CONDITIONS OF PLAY

1. **GENERAL:** All play shall be governed by the rules of golf as approved by the USGA, and the R&A, in conjunction with the local Rules of The Manila Golf Club and Country Club.
2. **ELIGIBILITY:** The Championship is open to all lady golfers who:
 - a. Are amateur in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status of USGA and the R&A;
 - b. Have a maximum USGA handicap index of 16.0, or maximum converted course handicap of 19 as of December 2019. The Manila Golf slope rating is 132. The lowest handicap will prevail for participants with multiple club memberships.
 - c. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to refuse any entry without assigning any reason, in which case, the entry fee will be refunded. Entries will be limited to 120 participants.
3. **DRAW:** The Committee will draw Tee-off times. The first day's pairing and Tee-off times will be posted on the bulletin board at the Tournament Committee room on February 17, 2020 before 5:00pm. It may also be viewed at www.wgap-golf.com, official WGAP website, after 5pm. The second and third day's pairings and tee times will be determined by the Tournament Committee and posted on the bulletin board and website.
The Committee in its absolute discretion, reserves the right to alter the draw if necessary.
4. **FORMAT:** The Championship will be decided by 54-hole stroke play over 3 rounds of 18 holes, each of which is to be played on February 18, 19, 20, 2020.
DIVISIONS:
Open Championship Division:
30% of the lowest handicaps and ties will automatically compete in the Open Championship Division. In addition, the 30% lowest scores and ties over the first round of 18 holes will also qualify to compete for the Open Championship Division.
Intermediate Division (Class A & B):
The rest of the competitors will compete for the Intermediate Championship. [SEP]
The size and make-up of the Intermediate Championship will be decided at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.
5. **WINNERS & TIE-BREAKERS:** The winner of the Open Championship Division will be the player who has the lowest gross score in that division. Winners in the Intermediate Divisions (Class A and Class B) will be the players with the lowest gross score in their respective divisions.
In the event of a tie in the Open Champion and Intermediate Champions (Class A and B), the winner shall be decided by a sudden death play-off. If more than two (2) competitors are involved in the play-off, such play-off shall also decide the runner-up thereafter. The Tournament Director will decide the play off holes on the final day of the competition.



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All other ties will be settled by comparing last 9 holes, last 6 holes, last 3 holes, and the last hole of the final round. If there is still a tie, drawing of lots as recommended by the R&A and the USGA Rules of Golf and Rules of Amateur Status.

6. **PRIZES:** Trophies will be given to the following:

A. **Open Championship**

Overall Champion	Best Gross
2nd Place	Second Best Gross
3rd Place	Third Best Gross
4th Place	Fourth Best Gross
5th Place	Fifth Best Gross
6th Place	Sixth Best Gross
7th Place	Seventh Best Gross
8th Place	Eight Best Gross
9th Place	Ninth Best Gross
10th Place	Tenth Best Gross

Special token prizes will be given to all players of the Open Championship Division,

B. **Intermediate Division**

Class A, Champion	Best Gross
Class A, Runner-Up	Second Best Gross
Class B, Champion	Best Gross
Class B, Runner-Up	Second Best Gross

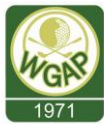
C. **Special Prize** Best Net Score for the Day

7. **PARTICIPATION:** The Tournament Committee may request any player to withdraw from the tournament if it is felt the player does not have a basic understanding of the Rules of Golf which includes etiquette, or the requisite golfing standard to continue in the event.

8. **TIME OF STARTING:** Rule 5.3. The player should report to the Starter fifteen (15) minutes before her starting time. If the player arrives late at tee, ready to play within five minutes after her starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes, to be added to the score on the first hole. Penalty for lateness beyond five minutes is disqualification.

9. **PACE OF PLAY:** Competitors will be notified of the time allowed for a round.

10. **SCORECARDS:** Competitors must ensure that they return their scorecard to the tournament office within 15 minutes of completing their round.



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11. **CADDIES:** Only caddies of The Manila Golf and Country Club may be used. A player shall at all times be liable for the actions of her caddie during play of a stipulated round.
12. **GOLF CARTS (BUGGIES):** Golf Carts or buggies are not allowed for the Open Championship Division. As the Open Championship Division will only be determined after the first round, all players must walk on the first day. On the subsequent rounds of the 2nd and 3rd day, the Intermediate Division (Class A and Class B) will be mandated to ride a cart during the stipulated round. Cart rental cost (2 players per cart) will be shouldered by the player and is not covered by the tournament fee.
13. **BALLS:** Rule 4.2: Balls used by the player shall be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by R&A and USGA.
14. **SPECIFICATION OF CLUBS:** “Any driver the player carries must have a clubhead, identified by model and loft, that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the R&A.” Exception: a driver with a clubhead that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.
15. **MOBILE PHONES:** Use of mobile phones is not allowed on the course.
16. **DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES:** Use of distance measuring devices is allowed during the stipulated round. But use of any device (including mobile phones) that measure slope, wind speeds, etc. are strictly prohibited. Penalty for breach of this rule is Disqualification.
17. **The DECISIONS of the Tournament Committee will, in all matters, be final.**