

## WORLD JUNIOR GIRLS CHAMPIONSHIP CHAMPIONNAT MONDIAL JUNIOR FÉMININ

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Dear Participating Countries,

With continued public health concerns as well as international travel and government restrictions due to COVID-19, it is with great disappointment that Golf Canada, in partnership with Golf Ontario and Angus Glen Golf Club, has made the difficult decision to cancel the 2020 World Junior Girls Championship.

At the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, Golf Canada and Golf Ontario continued with planning and preparations, while also diligently monitoring guidelines from health and government officials and pulling together the information that was needed to make informed and responsible decisions.

To successfully conduct the 2020 World Junior Girls Championship, many factors and considerations were identified by the organizing committee, including the following:

- The ensured safety and well-being of athletes, delegates, staff and volunteers
- No travel restrictions or requirements for self-isolation upon arrival for the event
- The ability for all participating National Federations to prepare and train equally
- The financial capacity of National Federations to participate due to COVID-19 pandemic
- A level of certainty that restrictions on mass gatherings and events would be lifted

This difficult decision to cancel protects the best interests of the international golfing community, including the health and safety of athletes, delegates, staff, volunteers and spectators. While we share in the disappointment felt by all, we feel this is the most prudent and safest course of action.

We know that everyone is continuing to feel the devastating impact of this global pandemic and our thoughts and well wishes are with you and your loved ones. We wish to thank all of the athletes and National Federations for your continued support of the championship through this difficult and unprecedented time.

The World Junior Girls Championship will return to Angus Glen in 2021, from September 27 to October 2. All teams that have returned the 'Acceptance Agreement Form' and paid the championship entry fee will be refunded. As we pivot our efforts towards the return of the championship in 2021, we will be in touch with a further update when the time is right. Please feel free to reach out to the Tournament Director, Akash Patel (apatel@golfcanada.ca) if you have any questions or concerns.

Safest Regards,

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