



## **TERMS OF COMPETITION**

### **1. MANAGEMENT**

The 38<sup>th</sup> Templer Park Country Club Malaysian Ladies Amateur Open tournament 2024 (38<sup>th</sup> TPCC MLA0) shall be managed by a Tournament Committee (hereinafter referred to as 'the Committee') appointed by the Malaysian Ladies Golf Association. The decisions of the Committee on all matters shall be final.

### **2. VENUE AND DATES**

The tournament shall be played from 14<sup>th</sup> July to 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at Templer Park Country Club ("TPCC"), with a Course Rating & Slope Rating of 71.5 and 124 for Red Tees for the Mid-Amateur and Senior Divisions. The Open Division shall play from the official tournament Tees, as decided by the Committee.

#### **TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE**

DATE (2024)	TIME	ACTIVITIES
14th July (Sun)	12:00pm – 4:00pm 1:00pm – 4:00pm 4:00pm 5:00pm	Registration at Tournament Office @ TPCC Official Practice Round Course closed Welcome Hi-Tea @ The Main Restaurant Photo session of players by country
15th July (Mon)	6:30am – 9:30am 7:30am – 9:30am 12:00pm – 3:30pm	Running breakfast 1 <sup>st</sup> Round – 2 tee starts Running Lunch
16th July (Tue)	6:30am – 9:30am 7:30am – 9:30am 12:00pm – 3:30pm	Running breakfast 2nd Round – 2 tee starts Running Lunch
17th July (Wed)	6:30am – 9:00am 7:30am – 9:00am 12:00pm – 3:00pm 12:30pm – 1:00pm 1:00pm – 3:00pm	Running breakfast 3rd Round – 2 tee starts Running Lunch Trophy Presentation @ Courtyard Prize Presentation @ The Main Restaurant

### **3. RULES OF PLAY**

All play shall be in accordance with the current Rules of Golf as approved by the R&A Rules Limited, the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf, these Terms of Competition and the Local Rules as approved by the Committee.

### **4. CONFORMING GOLF BALLS – Rule 4.2a**

In making a stroke, a player must use a ball that conforms to the requirements in the Equipment Rules.

Deliberately Altered Ball Must Not Be Played. A player must not make a stroke at a ball whose performance characteristics have been deliberately altered, such as by scuffing or heating the ball or by applying any substance (other than in cleaning it).

#### **PENALTY FOR BREACH OF TERM: DISQUALIFICATION**

### **5. CONFORMING CLUBS – Rule 4.1**

In making a stroke, a player must use a club that conforms to the requirements in the Equipment Rules.

"Performance characteristics" means any part of the club that affects how it performs in making a stroke, such as its grip, shaft, club head or lie or loft (including lie or loft of an adjustable club).

#### **PENALTY FOR MAKING STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF TERM: DISQUALIFICATION**

**6. ELIGIBILITY**

The tournament is open to all amateur female players who:

- i) are amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R&A Rules Limited
- ii) have a valid WHS Handicap Index: for the **OPEN DIVISION** or
- iii) have a WHS Handicap Index: 20.1 & below for the **MID AMATEUR DIVISION**
- iv) have a WHS Handicap Index: 22.0 & below for the **SENIOR DIVISION** (age 50 years & above)

No voluntary handicap reduction will be accepted (except iii & iv to committee approval). Competitors **MUST** enclose a copy of their World Handicap System (WHS) card OR handicap certification from their home club together with the entry form and produce the latest certification during registration at the tournament venue.

The Committee reserves the right to accept late entries or refuse any entry at its absolute discretion without assigning any reason for the refusal.

**7. COMMITTEE'S POWER TO ADJUST HANDICAPS**

The Committee may adjust a player's handicap prior to the competition.

**8. ENTRY FEES, CLOSING DATE AND REGISTRATION**

a) INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Foreign	USD 450 (Open) & USD 550 (other Divisions) per player
MALGA Member	MYR 750 (Open) & MYR 800 (other Divisions) per player
Non - MALGA Member resident of Malaysia	MYR 850 (Open) & MYR 900 (other Divisions) per player
MALGA Junior Member	MYR 500 (Open) per player

b) TEAM COMPETITION

Local team & Foreign team	MYR 150 / USD 40 per team of 2 - 3 players
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All crossed cheques / bank drafts shall be made payable to "MALAYSIAN LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION" and MUST accompany the entry form. There will be no refund on the entry fee if withdrawal is made after the closing date.

For online transfers, please send remittance to the Association's bank account detailed as follows and furnish us with a copy of the bank transaction for our filing and tracing purposes: -

Payable to	:	MALAYSIAN LADIES GOLF ASSOCIATION
Name of Bank	:	Malayan Banking Berhad
Bank Address	:	Ground Floor, 92, Jalan Tun H.S. Lee, 50000 Kuala Lumpur,
Malaysia Account No	:	5140 3923 4279
Int Swift Code	:	MBBEMYKL

Closing Date: All entries with full payment MUST REACH the MALGA Secretariat on or before **24<sup>th</sup> June 2024.**

**9. PRACTICE ROUNDS AND CLOSURE OF THE COURSE**

Official practice rounds shall be on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024, from 1pm onwards. Registered players are entitled to one free practice round inclusive of a twin-sharing buggy. Tee-times are to be booked via MALGA. The course shall be closed to all players at 4pm on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2024.

**10. FORMAT OF PLAY**

Individual Gross for the Open Division shall be decided by Stroke Play over 3 rounds of 18 holes each (54 holes). Individual Gross and Nett for Mid-Amateur and Senior Divisions shall be decided by Stroke Play over 2 rounds of 18 holes each (36 holes). In the event that it becomes impracticable to complete the number of stipulated rounds, the Committee reserves the right to reduce the number of stipulated rounds at its discretion.

OPEN Division players will play from the official tournament Tees and are required to walk for all three (3) rounds. Each player will be assigned one caddie. Bags will be transported on the buggies.

Mid-Amateur & Senior Division players will play from the Red Tees, will ride buggies and provided with a twin sharing caddie.

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### **COMPETITIONS**

A player may register for **ONLY ONE** division.

#### **i. INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION**

##### **A) GROSS EVENT**

###### **Open Division**

###### **D.Y.M.M Tunku Ampuan Negeri Sembilan Trophy**

Mode: Stroke Play over 54 holes.

##### **B) GROSS & NETT EVENT**

###### **Mid-Amateur Division - (WHS Handicap Index: 20.1 & below)**

###### **Tunku Tun Maimunah Trophy**

Mode: Stroke & Nett over 36 holes

###### **Senior Division - (WHS Handicap Index: 22.0 & below)**

###### **Datin Maria Musa Trophy**

Mode: Stroke & Nett Play over 36 holes

##### **C) TEAM EVENT**

###### **Mary Williams Trophy**

Mode: Open - Stroke Play over 36 holes  
Mid-Amateur - Nett Play over 36 holes  
Senior - Nett Play over 36 holes

### **TEAM COMPETITION**

The team shall consist of two or three competitors who should be the citizens or permanent residents of the same country and belonging to the same division.

The combined two best gross scores for the day of the team members shall be the team's score for the Open Division.

The combined two best nett scores for the day of the team members shall be the team's score for the Mid-Amateur and Senior Division. Competitors must register for the individual competition before entering the team competition. All teams must be registered by 14<sup>th</sup> July, 2024.

This team event is subject to a minimum of three (3) team entries per division.

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### **DECISION ON TIES**

#### **Open Division:**

In the event of a tie for the first place in the Open Division (gross event only), the players tying shall as soon as possible continue in a sudden death play-off until the winner is decided by elimination. The Committee shall determine the sequence and number of holes for the play-off.

In the event of a tie for any other subsequent placing, the tie shall be decided by a count-back system of matching scorecards, in the following order:

- i. Last 18 holes (Final Round)
- ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Last 18 holes
- iii. Last 9 holes (Holes 10 – 18 of Final Round)
- iv. Last 6 holes (Holes 13 – 18 of Final Round)
- v. Last 3 holes (Holes 16 – 18 of Final Round)
- vi. Last hole (Hole 18 of Final Round)
- vii. If the tie is still undecided, it shall be decided by lot

#### **Mid-Amateur & Senior Division**

The winners shall also be decided by OCB (as above). The nett scores will be used for the matching. In any case, if the tie remains unresolved, it shall be decided by lot.

#### **Team**

Ties shall be decided on count-back based on the Team scores as detailed above. The Team Score, total scores of the two competitors whose score shall count for the team for the round, will be used for the count-back.

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### **PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded for every Division and the minimum number of prizes will be as follows:

Open: 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> placing gross scores over 54 holes  
 Mid & Senior: 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> placing gross & nett scores over 36 holes  
 Daily best gross for each Division

A competitor shall be entitled to win only one gross or one nett prize. In all cases, gross scores will take precedence over nett scores. The Committee may increase the number of prizes depending on the entries of each division. In the event that Mid and/or Senior categories do not have a minimum of 10 players, the prizes for that category will be reduced.

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### **DRAWS & STARTING TIMES**

The Committee will make the draws and the starting times for the first round and will be posted at the Clubhouse. Such posting will be considered to be sufficient notice to the players. The draw for subsequent rounds will be done according to the scores - the lowest scores will tee off last from the first tee and the highest scores will tee off last from the tenth tee. The Committee reserves the right to vary the starting times at its absolute discretion, before tee-off time.

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### **SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION (RULE 5.7)**

The following signals will be used to suspend and resume play:

Immediate Stop/Dangerous Situation : ONE PROLONGED NOTE OF A SIREN  
 Normal Non-Dangerous Situation : THREE CONSECUTIVE NOTES OF A SIREN  
 Resume Play : TWO CONSECUTIVE NOTES OF A SIREN

When play is stopped in a dangerous situation, all practice areas are immediately closed.

### **PENALTY FOR BREACH OF RULE 5.7: DISQUALIFICATION**

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### **PACE OF PLAY (RULE 5.6b(3))**

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 player exceeds 50 seconds on a 'first to play' approach shot (including 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 will be determined by the Chief Referee and will be published on the notice board. The first group and any group after a starter's gap will be "Out of Position" if, at any time during the round, the group's cumulative time exceeds the time allowed for the number of holes completed. Any following group will be "Out of Position" if it is more than the starting interval behind the group in front and has exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes completed.

A player 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 Pace of Play Policy:**  
**1 bad time** - Verbal Warning from Referee  
**2 bad times** - 1 stroke penalty  
**3 bad times** - 2 strokes penalty  
**4 bad times** - Disqualification

Notes:

- (1) Players will be advised that they are being timed.
- (2) Timings will be taken from the moment it is deemed by the Referee that it is the player's turn to play.

In some circumstances, an individual or two players within a group of three, may be timed rather than the entire group.

### **Pace of Play Policy**

Details for the above will be posted on the Official Notice Board prior to the start of the tournament. Players are advised to read and adhere to these conditions.

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### **CADDIE**

No personal caddie is permitted

**18. UNAUTHORISED TRANSPORTATION**

During a stipulated round, **Open Division** players are **not** permitted to ride on any form of transportation from Tees to Greens, unless authorized by the Committee, except on only the following holes:

Green 7 to Tee 8;  
Green 9 to Tee 10; &  
Green 18 to Tee 1.

Note: A player taking a **penalty for stroke and distance (under Rule 18.1)** is always deemed authorized to ride on any form of transportation.

**PENALTY FOR BREACH OF LOCAL RULE:**

The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which there is a breach of this Local Rule. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.

**19. STANDARDS OF PLAYER CONDUCT**

The following are considered serious breach of Standards of Player Conduct (Rule 1.2):

- i. Damaging Club property including putting green.
- ii. Deliberately moving tee-markers.
- iii. Deliberately distracting other players while they are making strokes.
- iv. Throwing a club towards another player or spectator.
- v. Using vulgar or offensive language.
- vi. Any other breaches not listed above but are deemed to be serious by the Committee.

**PENALTY FOR BREACH OF THIS LOCAL RULE:**

<b>First breach</b>	<b>: 1 stroke penalty</b>
<b>Second breach</b>	<b>: 2 strokes penalty</b>
<b>Third breach</b>	<b>: Disqualification</b>

**20. SCORE CARDS**

Score Cards must be submitted as soon as possible on completion of the round. A scorecard is deemed to be submitted the moment the competitor leaves the scoring area.

**21. RESULTS OF THE COMPETITION – COMPETITION CLOSED**

The tournament shall be deemed to have closed when the Trophy has been presented to the winner.

**22. INDEMNITY / LIABILITIES**

MALGA, The Sponsor, The Organizers, The Committee or management of TPCC, will not be responsible for any loss, damage or harm, or any form of injuries that the participants of the tournament may suffer as a result of their participation in this tournament.

**23. AMATEUR STATUS**

23.1 An amateur golfer must not accept a prize (other than a symbolic prize) or prize voucher of retail value in excess of USD1000 (MYR4000) or the equivalent, or such a lesser figure as may be decided by the Governing Body. This limit applies to the total prizes or prize vouchers received by an amateur golfer in any one competition or series of competitions, excluding any hole-in-one prize (see Rule 3.2b).

23.2 The limits prescribed in Rule 3.2a do not apply to a prize for a hole-in-one. An amateur golfer may accept a prize in excess of the limit set in Rule 3-2, including a cash prize for a hole-in-one made while playing a round of golf. Such a prize may be accepted in addition to any other prize won in the same competition.

23.3 **Prize money allowed for Scratch event.** It should not be more than USD1000 (MYR4000).

NOTE: The onus of receiving a prize or prizes that exceed the prescribed limits lies with the participant. The committee and its sponsors shall not be liable for any action on players for any breach of Rules pertaining to Amateur Status.

**24. ANTI-DOPING**

Players must not make use of any drug to enhance performance. Should a player show evidence of the use of drug for non-therapeutic purposes, the Committee may require the player to undergo a drug test. Any player infringing this Term may be disqualified. Players who are on medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from The R&A via the Tournament Office.

**25. DECISIONS**

If the Committee has appointed a Referee, his/her decision is final (Rule 20.2a). In the absence of a Referee, any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules shall be referred to the Committee, whose decision shall be final (Rule 20.2b).

**26. DISPUTES AND DOUBTS**

Any dispute or doubt on the Rules shall be referred to the Committee as soon as possible on the completion of the round and in any case not later than 15 minutes after completing the round.

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