

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 Wack Wack Golf & 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. Are female at birth; and
 - c. Have a maximum USGA handicap index of 18 : or maximum converted course handicap of 20 as of December 2014. The lowest handicap will prevail for participants with multiple club memberships. Players participating in the Sampaguita Division must have a minimum handicap index of 18.1, and a maximum handicap index of 23.0.

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 100 participants.

3. DRAW: The Committee will draw Tee-off times. The first day's pairing and tee off times will be posted on the official bulletin board of the Open located at the Wack Wack Clubhouse on January 13, 2015.

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 January 14, 15, 16, 2015.

For players in the Sampaguita Division, the winners will be decided by a 36-hole stroke play over 2 rounds of 18 holes, each of which is to be played on January 14 & 15, 2015.

5. 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 over the first round of 18 holes and any tying for the last place of that percentage 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.

The size and make up of the Intermediate Championship will be decided at the discretion of the Tournament Committee.

Sampaguita Division:

Players with ages 55 and above AND handicap indices of 18.1 to 23.0 may compete in this division. Her Entry Form MUST indicate that she will compete in this Division. Without this indication, her Division shall be determined by her first round score and her handicap. The Tournament Committee reserves the right to

refuse any entry without assigning any reason. Entries will be limited to 20 participants.

6. **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 Division (Class A and Class B respectively) and Evergreen Division 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.

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 of Saint Andrews and the USGA will be used.

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

A. Open Championship

Overall Champion	–	Best Gross
1 st Runner-Up	–	Second Best Gross
2 nd Runner-Up	–	Third Best Gross
3 rd Runner-Up	–	Fourth Best Gross
4 th Runner-Up	–	Fifth Best Gross
5 th Runner-Up	–	Sixth Best Gross
6 th Runner-up	–	Seventh Best Gross
7 th Runner-Up	–	Eighth Best Gross
8 th Runner-up	–	Ninth Best Gross
9 th Runner-up	–	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. Sampaguita Division

Champion	–	Best Gross
Runner-Up	–	Second Best Gross

D. Special Prizes

Best Net Score for the Day
Nearest to the pin (on assigned par 3 hole) per day

8. **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.

9. TIME OF STARTING: Rule 6-3. Note: 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.
10. PACE OF PLAY: Competitors will be notified of the time allowed for a round.
11. SCORECARDS: Competitors must ensure that they return their scorecard to the tournament office within 15 minutes of completing their round.
12. CADDIES: Rule 6-4. Only caddies of the Wack Wack Golf & 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**.
13. 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 of the first day of play, all players must walk on the first day. On the subsequent rounds of the 2nd and 3rd day, the intermediate division (Class A and 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.

Players competing in the Sampaguita Division are required to use golf carts, 2 players per cart, during the two rounds of the tournament. Cart rental fees will be shouldered by the player and are not covered by the tournament fee.
14. BALLS: Rule 5-1: Balls used by the player shall be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by R & A and USGA.
15. 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 USGA."

Exception: A driver with a clubhead that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.
16. MOBILE PHONES: Use of mobile phones is not allowed on the course.
17. DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICES: Use of distance measuring devices is not allowed during the stipulated round.
18. **The DECISIONS of the Tournament Committee will, in all matters, be final.**