

2nd SSG-TERING BAY INTERNATIONAL AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP
(A WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING EVENT)

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

The following conditions, together with any additions or amendments as published by the Organising Committee at the host club, will apply under Rule 33-1 to this Championship.

1. GENERAL

- a. The SSG-Tering Bay International Amateur Championship (hereinafter known as “Championship”) will be played at the Tering Bay Golf & Country Club from **29 May 2016** to **1 June 2016**.

2. SCHEDULE OF PLAY

- a. The schedule of play shall be as follows:

- Sunday, 29 May 2016 - Free Practice Round
- Monday, 30 May 2016 - First Round
- Tuesday, 31 May 2016 - Second Round (Cut-off)
- Wednesday, 1 June 2016 - Final Round

3. FORMAT OF PLAY

- a. The Championship will be decided by stroke play over three rounds of 18 holes in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and in accordance with the Local Rules approved by the Organizing Committee.
- b. There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes; except for ladies. The top sixty (60) percent of the field in the respective Divisions over the first 36 holes will qualify for the final round on **1 June 2016**.
- c. The Champion shall be the player with the lowest gross aggregate score over the three rounds.
- d. An International Team Event will be held in conjunction with the Championship. The Winning Team shall be decided and based on the lowest aggregate gross scores of two players in the team over the first 36 holes of the Championship. Each team must be represented by two players who must be citizens or permanent residents of the country they are representing. In the event of insufficient entries, the International Team Event may be cancelled.

4. FIELD SIZE

- a. The field will be limited to a maximum of **168 for men (including seniors)** and **32 for ladies**.

- b. In the event that the entries fall short or exceed the aforesaid respective numbers, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend the eligibility requirements as they deem fit. In general, entries will be based on the entrants with the lowest Handicap Index.

5. ELIGIBILITY

- a. The Championship is open to any persons who are:
 - i. Amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as promulgated by R&A Rules Limited and have met the following stipulated handicap index as at **1 March 2016** for the respective genders and age group:
 - USGA Handicap Index of **12.0 or lower (for Men)**
 - USGA Handicap Index of **16.0 or lower (for Ladies)**
 - USGA Handicap Index of **18.0 or lower (for Men Seniors who are of age 50 years and above as at 1 March 2016)**
 - ii. The handicap index of all entrants must be issued by a club that is affiliated and recognized or licensed by its national golf association.

6. ENTRIES & CLOSING DATE

- a. The Entry Fee and Golf Package are as indicated in the Entry Form.
- b. Entries must be made on the official entry form and be endorsed by the Captain, General Manager or Golf Manager of the players' home club.
(NOTE: If a player's handicap Index is maintained by more than one Club, the official entry form must be endorsed by the aforesaid office where the handicap index is the lowest.)
- c. Entries must be accompanied with the full Entry Fee payable by cash, bank draft or money order made out to "**Tering Bay Management** and it must reach the office of Society of Singapore Golfers at "69 Ubi Road 1, #08-25 Oxley Bizhub, Singapore 408731" no later than **16 May 2016 before 12.00 pm**. Proof of posting is not proof of receipt. For Indonesian players, payment should be made to PT. THE BAY RESORT.
- d. The Organising Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason whatsoever. Any acceptance of late entries shall be at the sole discretion of the Organizing Committee.

7. WITHDRAWAL/CANCELLATION

- a. Any withdrawal or cancellation must be made **before 16 May 2016** or otherwise there shall be no refund of entry fee after the aforesaid closing date

8. INSURANCE

- a. All players are required to have appropriate golfing insurance. Proof of insurance coverage must be submitted together with the entry form.

9. WINNERS & PRIZES

a. Individual Event

The following prizes will be awarded:

Men's Division

The Champion
The Runner-up
Third
Fourth
Fifth

Ladies' Division

The Champion
The Runner-up

Men Seniors' Division

The Champion
The Runner-up

Daily Best Gross

Best Gross for both Men's and Ladies' Division only.

(NOTE: The Champion and Runner-up will not be eligible for the Daily Best Gross in the final round.)

b. International Team Division

The following prizes will be awarded:

Men's Team

1st to 3rd

Ladies' Team

1st to 3rd

10. LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS

- a. The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect – see pages 154 to 155.
- b. An updated List of Conforming Driver Heads is available on The R&A's website (www.randa.org).

11. LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS

- a. The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect – see pages 155 to 156.
- b. An updated List of Conforming Driver Heads is available on The R&A's website (www.randa.org).

12. USE OF DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICE IS PERMITTED

- a. In this competition, 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 14-3.

13. USE OF CADDIE

- a. The player may engage a caddie provided by the hosting club at the prevailing rate.
- b. If any player wishes to bring their own caddy, the similar caddy fee as per above shall be applicable.
- c. A player is prohibited from having his or her parent or any golfing coach or teaching golf professional serve as his or her caddie during the stipulated round.
- d. Penalty for breach of this condition, please refer to the specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf on page 157.

14. DRAW

- a. The draw list for the first and second rounds will be made by the Organising Committee prior to start of the Championship.
- b. The draw for the final round will be based on the cumulative gross scores of the preceding rounds.

15. TIME OF STARTING

- a. Players shall start at the time and in the order indicated in the draw. No substitution of players and changes of starting times shall be permitted after the draw has been made.
- b. The Organising Committee reserves the right to change the draws and vary the starting times without giving any reason thereof.

16. PACE OF PLAY (NOTE TO RULE 6-7)

a. Time Allowed

Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based upon the length and difficulty of the hole. The maximum time allotted for completion of 18 holes will be available prior to play.

b. Definition of Out of Position

The first group to start will be considered “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 considered out of position if it is more than the starting interval time behind the group in front and has exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes played.

c. Procedure When Group is Out of Position

If a decision is taken to time the group, **each player** in the group will be subject to individual timing by a referee. Each player in the group will be advised that they are “out of position” and are being timed.

The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:

- On a par 3 hole;
- Second shot on par 4’s and par 5’s;
- Third shot on par 5’s; and
- From on or near the putting green of the hole being played.

The timing will start when a player has had sufficient time to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he is able to play without interference or distraction.

On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

Timing ceases when a group is back in position and players will be advised accordingly.

NOTE: In some circumstances, an individual player or a few within a group may be timed instead of the entire group.

d. Penalty for Breach of Condition

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| 1 bad time | - | Player will be warned by the referee and told that if he has a further bad time he will be penalised |
| 2 bad time | - | Penalty of One Stroke |
| 3 bad time | - | Further Penalty of Two Strokes |
| 4 bad time | - | Disqualification |

17. SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION (NOTE TO RULE 6-8B)

- a. The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect – see page 158.
- b. A suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signaled using the host club’s warning system.
- c. All practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Organising Committee has declared them open. Players who practice on closed practice areas will be asked to cease doing so; failure to comply may result in revocation of entry.

18. PRACTICE (RULE 7-1)

- a. The provisions of Rule 7-1b apply. Penalty for breach is Disqualification.

19. SUBMISSION OF SCORECARD

- a. Players should check their cards in the Recording Office and ensure that their scores are correct and be signed by their marker. Any doubtful points should be settled with the Organising Committee before returning the scorecard.
- b. A player is deemed to have returned his scorecard once he has left the Recording Office.

20. DECISION OF TIES

- a. Individual Event - In the event of a tie or ties for the first place, the Champion shall be decided by a hole by hole play-off over the 18th hole only until a winner emerges. The purpose of the play-off is to decide the winner for the Championship only. In the event inclement weather or other reasons make the play-off impractical, the Organising Committee’s decision to determine the Champion is final.
- b. All other ties will be decided by a count back in the following order:
 - Last 18 holes;
 - Last 9 holes (i.e. 10 to 18);
 - Last 6 holes (i.e. 13 to 18);
 - Last 3 holes (i.e. 16 to 18); and
 - Last hole (i.e 18th).

If a tie still arises, the scores for the 2nd round and, if necessary, the 1st round will be treated in the same way until a decision is reached.

- c. International Team Event - In the event of a tie or ties for the first and any other place, the tie will be decided on the lowest aggregate scores of the 2nd round. If a tie still arises, the lowest aggregate scores of the 1st round will be used. Or otherwise, the decision of the Organising Committee shall be final in determining the winner(s) under the International Team Event.

21. INCLEMENT WEATHER

- a. If the Organising Committee considers that for any reason the course is not in a playable condition or that there are circumstances that render the proper playing of the game impossible, it may order a temporary suspension of play or declare play null and void and cancel all scores for the round in question. When a round is cancelled, all penalties incurred in that round are cancelled.

22. DISPUTES OR DOUBTS AS TO CORRECT PROCEDURE

- a. If there is a doubt as to the correct procedures, players are to refer to the Tournament Referee. If a Tournament Referee is not immediately available, a player (having notified his marker) may elect to play two balls in accordance with Rule 3-3 and obtain a ruling at the conclusion of the round, prior to signing and the return of the score card.
- b. No spectators (including parents or accompanying officials) are to enter into any discussion on a matter under dispute. Or otherwise, the Organising Committee reserves the right to refuse any spectator(s) into any of the premises of the hosting club.

23. TOURNAMENT RULES OFFICIALS/REFEREE

- a. The Tournament Referee's decision on all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf is final.

24. COMPETITION CLOSED

- a. When the prizes are presented to the winners, the results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition is closed.

25. ETIQUETTE

- a. All players should practice good etiquette as detailed in Section 1 of the Rules of Golf. The overriding principle is that considerations should be shown to others on the course at all times.
- b. The following act(s) may be considered as serious breach of etiquette in this Championship:
 - Use of mobile phones during the round
 - Verbal abuse of fellow competitor/official/staff
 - Intentionally distracting of offending fellow competitor

- Causing unnecessary damage to the course or property of the Club
 - Any other actions that are considered to be breached of etiquette by the Organising Committee
- c. Penalty for serious breach of etiquette is Disqualification.

26. PRACTICE ROUND/RANGE BALLS

- a. The course is available to players for practice on **29 May 2016**. All available tee times are on first-come-first-served basis. Therefore, please make your booking with our Golfing Receptionist on your arrival date.
- b. No multiple ball play shall be allowed during the practice round.
- c. Players are not allowed to practice on the course after their round on any day of the Championship.
- d. The driving range will be opened at 6.30am during the Championship. Range balls are chargeable at **S\$3 per 50 balls**.

27. PRIZE PRESENTATION DINNER

- a. All players are invited to a Prize Presentation Dinner on **1 June 2016** at the Club's premises immediately after the Final Round.

28. DRESS CODE

- a. Players must be properly attired on the golf course. Blue jeans, designer jeans, round neck T-shirts and tank tops are prohibited. Golf shirts must be worn and shorts must be no shorter than mid-thigh (no jean shorts).
- b. This dress code will be used in conjunction with any additional dress code restrictions of the host club. A player violating this dress code will not be permitted to start the tournament. A violation of this dress code by a player during the stipulated round must be rectified without undue delay or the player will not be allowed to continue play.
- c. Soft spikes shoes are compulsory.

29. INDEMNITY/LIABILITIES

- a. Tering Bay Golf & Country Club, the sponsors, the Organising Committee of the Championship, appointed officials and staff, will not be responsible for any loss, damage or harm, or any form of injuries that the participants of the Championship may suffer as a result of their participation in this Championship.

30. SPECTATORS/ACCOMPANYING OFFICIALS/PARENTS

- a. Spectators/accompanying officials/parents must remain on the cart paths at all times. They must stay off the greens and out of the bunkers at all times. They are prohibited from using golf buggies.

- b. They should maintain a reasonable distance from the players to avoid the appearance that they are imparting advice or assisting the player in any way. They may approach a player for a moment to exchange clothing, food, or beverages, but should not have prolonged contact.
- c. Those found violating these policies may be asked to leave the course.

31. OFFICIAL HOTEL

- a. Please refer to the Entry Form for details.
- b. Booking Hotel must be made to : TERING BAY GOLF CC Tel : +62 778 761 818, Fax : +62 778 671 801, Email : marketing@teringbay.com.sg

32. FOREIGN PARTICIPANTS

- a. Visitors to Batam, Indonesia must hold valid travel documents with a minimum validity of 6 months. Please visit the website: http://www.embassy-info/form/Indonesia_visa_form.pdf on visa requirement.

33. ENQUIRIES

- a. If you have any query, please do not hesitate to contact our Golfing Department at:

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34. AMENDMENTS TO CONDITIONS

- a. The OC reserves the right to amend these Championship conditions.