



**National Amateur Golf Tour**

## **9<sup>th</sup> National Doubles Amateur Golf Championship**

Camp Aguinaldo Golf Club

December 27-29, 2019 (Fri-Sun)

Official Practice Round: December 26 (Thursday)



Organized and conducted by the National Golf Association of the Philippines

### **TERMS OF COMPETITION**

#### **GENERAL**

The 9<sup>th</sup> National Doubles Amateur Golf Championship (herein known as 'Championship' will be played at Camp Aguinaldo Golf Club from December 27-29, 2019 in accordance with the Rules of Golf (effective January 2019) as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and with the Local Rules approved by the OC.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

Open to all local and foreign amateur golfers with certified handicap index.

**TEAMS.** The field shall be composed of the following: Teams may be composed of partners of male/male, male/female and female/female based on the following criteria:

##### **GROUP I**

- Teams with a member of the National Team for the years 2016, 2017, 2018 and 2019 (Putra Cup, SEA Games, Asian Games, World Amateur and Nomura Cup).

**No team will be composed of 2 National Team members on the same year.**

- Teams with average handicap index of 4.0 or less
- Maximum of 16 teams will be accepted
- Men will tee-off from the Blue Tee and ladies from the White Tee.

##### **GROUP II**

- Teams with average handicap index of 4.1 and above
- Maximum of 16 teams will be accepted
- Men will tee-off from the Blue Tee and ladies from the Red Tee.

##### **GROUP III**

- Teams composed of players 30 years and above as of Dec. 27, 2019 regardless of handicap index.
- Maximum of 16 teams will be accepted
- Men will tee-off from the Blue Tee and ladies from the Red Tee.

**HANDICAP:** UNHS Handicap index will be used for all Groups.

#### **FORMAT OF PLAY**

The Championship shall be decided by stroke play over three rounds each subject to the Committee's right in the event of conditions or circumstances which make the playing of three rounds impracticable, to cancel any round.

- **1<sup>st</sup> day (Dec. 27, 2019)** – – Four-ball (Best ball). During the stipulated round, each partner plays his own ball. The lower score of the partners is the score for the hole.
- **2<sup>nd</sup> day (Dec. 28, 2019)** – – Aggregate. During the stipulated round, each partner plays his own ball with the total score of the partners as the score of the day.
- **3<sup>rd</sup> day (Dec. 29, 2019)** – Two ball foursome. During the stipulated round the partners must play alternately from the teeing grounds and alternately during the play of each hole. Penalty strokes do not affect the order of play.

## **WINNERS and PRIZES**

Prizes will be awarded as follows:

- Over-all champion – the team with the lowest three-day score will be declared champion regardless of which group they played.
- Champion and Runner-up for each group.

## **ENTRY**

- a. The Entry Fee per participant shall be **Php2,500.00** for Filipino citizens and **Php3,500.00** for foreign citizens.
- b. Entries must be made on the Official Entry form and accompanied with the Entry Fee by cash or check.
- d. Entries must be received not later than **December 20, 2019 (Friday), 12:00 pm.**
- e. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit, accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason whatsoever. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.
- e. Any WITHDRAWAL or CANCELLATION must be made before December 20, 2019 (Friday) as there will be NO refund of the Entry Fee after this date.

## **PRACTICE ROUND**

- a. Players will be allowed one **(1) free practice round** on **December 26, 2019 (Thursday)** provided they have registered and paid their entry fee.
- b. Additional practice rounds can be arranged at Camp Aguinaldo Golf Club and corresponding green fee is paid. You may call Camp Aguinaldo Golf at Tel. No. (02) 9132750 for reservation.

## **DRAW/PAIRINGS**

- a. The Draw/Pairings for the First Round will be made by the Organizing Committee before the start of the Championship.
- b. The Draw/Pairings for the Second and Third Rounds will be based on scores of the previous Rounds.

## **TIME OF STARTING**

- a. Players shall start at the time and order indicated in the DRAW. No substitution of players and changes of starting time shall be allowed after the DRAW has been made.
- b. The ORGANIZING COMMITTEE reserves the right to change and alter the starting times without giving any reason.

## **SUBMISSION of SCORECARD**

- a. Players must check their cards in the Scoring Office and ensure that their scores are correct and be signed by their markers. Any doubtful point should be settled with the Organizing Committee before returning the Scorecard.
- b. Scorecard is deemed officially submitted once the player has left the scoring room (area).

## **DECISION OF TIES**

- a. In the event of a tie or ties for the 1<sup>st</sup> place, the Champion shall be decided via sudden death play-off with the format (two-ball, four ball or aggregate) to be drawn prior to sudden death play-off.
- b. Ties for 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place will be decided via count back last 9 holes, last 18 holes, last 27 holes and last 36 holes respectively.
- c.

## **SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION.**

- a. A suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signaled using the host club's warning system.
- b. All open practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Organizing Committee has declared them open. Players who does not heed will be subject to disqualification.

## **USE OF DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICE.**

- a. For this Championship, 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 – 4.3 for which the penalty is for disqualification.
- b. The use of rangefinders with wind and slope corrections are not permitted.

## USE OF CADDIE

a. The club has sufficient caddies and players must use the club's caddies, however, personal caddies may be used, provided they are not PROFESSIONALS and the player must pay the corresponding caddy fee to the Club for the caddy on deck.

**Caddie Fee:** P500.00

**Golf Cart:** P700.00

**Note:** Golf Carts will be allowed for all divisions subject to availability on a first come first served basis.

## INSURANCE

a. All players are required to have appropriate golfing insurance.

## PACE OF PLAY

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

b. The maximum allowed time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. The timing will start when the 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.

c. Penalty for Breach of Condition

1 bad time	Player will be warned by the referee and told that further bad will be subject to penalty.
2 bad time.	Penalty of one (1) Stroke
3 bad time.	Further penalty of two (2) strokes.
4 bad time.	Disqualification.

## TOURNAMENT RULES OFFICIALS/REFEREES

a. The Tournament Rules Officials/Referees' decision on all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf is final.

## 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.

## STANDARDS OF PLAYER CONDUCT (Rule 1-2)

a. All players ARE EXPECTED TO PLAY IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME. There is no penalty under the Rules for failing to act accordingly, except that the Organizing Committee may disqualify a player for acting contrary to the spirit of the if it is established that the player has committed serious misconduct.

b. The following may be considered as serious breach of PLAYER CONDUCT:

\*. Continuous use of cellular phones during the round. Players will be warned accordingly by the Referee or by a Committee member.

\*. Verbal abuse to a fellow competitor/official/staff.

\*. Intentionally distracting or offending fellow competitor.

\*. Causing unnecessary damage to the course or club property.

\*. Any other action which may be considered to be breach of PLAYER CONDUCT.

ANY OF THE ABOVE SERIOUS BREACH of Conduct is subject to disqualification penalty.

## SPECTATORS/COACHES/PARENTS

a. Spectators, coaches, and parents must remain on the cart path at all times. They must stay off the tees, general areas, putting greens, bunkers and penalty areas. They are allowed to use golf carts.

b. They should maintain a reasonable distance from the players to avoid the impression that they are giving advice or assisting the player in any way. They may approach the player for a moment to give clothing, food or beverage but should not have prolonged contact.

c. Those found to be violating these policies may be asked to leave the COURSE.

## INQUIRIES

FOR INQUIRIES, please do not hesitate to contact the National Golf Ass. of the Philippines (NGAP).

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**THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AMEND ANY OF THE CONDITIONS.**

**\*AWARDING & NGAP YEAR END AND THANKSGIVING DINNER TO FOLLOW AFTER COMPLETION OF TOURNAMENT.**