



2023 Philippine Junior Amateur Stroke Play Championship
Sherwood Hills Golf Club
April 12-15, 2023 (Wednesday to Saturday)
Organized and conducted by the National Golf Association of the Philippines (NGAP)

TERMS OF COMPETITION

GENERAL

The *2023 Philippine Junior Amateur Stroke Play Championship* will be played at Sherwood Hills Golf Club from April 12-15, 2023 in accordance with the Rules of Golf (effective January 2023) as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and with the Local Rules approved by the OC.

ELIGIBILITY

The Championship is open to all Boys and Girls who conform in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R&A Rules limited and must possess a valid handicap index issued by a bonafide Golf Federation/Association within the stipulated range as of March 16, 2023 for the respective genders as follows:

- WHS handicap index of **14.0** or lower for male.
- WHS handicap index of **18.0** or lower for female.

Championship Division	Age 14 - 18 years old (as of April 15, 2023)
Special Division	Age 19 - 24 years old (as of April 15, 2023)
Youth Division	Age 9 - 13 years old (as of April 15, 2023)

SCHEDULE of PLAY

April 11, 2023 (Tuesday)	Official Practice	Coordinate with Sherwood
April 12, 2023 (Wednesday)	First Round	7:00am first tee time
April 13, 2023 (Thursday)	Second Round	7:00am first tee time
April 14, 2023 (Friday)	Third & Final Round - Special & Youth	7:00am first tee time
April 15, 2023 (Saturday)	Fourth & Final Round - Championship	6:00am first tee time

FORMAT OF PLAY

- A. Championship Division** – April 12-15 (Wed-Saturday) - 4 days
- The Championship Division (Boys & Girls) shall be gross stroke play competition over 72 holes using the **championship tees** for Boys and **white tees** for Girls.
 - There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes, top 36 and ties for boys, top 18 and ties for girls
 - There shall be a cut-off after 54 holes, top 18 and ties for boys, top 9 and ties for girls
 - Boys and girls that score 100 on any tournament round will be cut for remaining rounds
- B. Special Division** – April 12-14 (Wed-Fri) - 3 days
- The Special Division (Boys & Girls) shall be gross stroke play competition over 54 holes using the **championship tees** for boys and **white tees** for girls.
 - There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes, top 21 and ties for men, top 12 and ties for women
 - Boys and girls that score 100 on any tournament round will be cut for remaining rounds
- C. Youth Divisions** – April 13-14 (Thu-Fri) - 2 days
- The Youth Division (Boys & Girls) shall be gross stroke play competition over 36 holes using **white tees** for boys and **red tees** for girls.
 - Players that score 100 on first round will be cut for the final

SIZE of the FIELD

- a. The field will be limited to a maximum of **120 players** for championship & special division, and youth combined.
- b. In the event that that application entries fall short or exceed the respective numbers, the 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.

ENTRY

- a. **Championship Division** - The Entry Fee shall be Php3,500.00 for Filipino citizens and Php4,000.00 for foreign citizens.
- b. **Special Division** - The Entry Fee shall be Php3,500.00 for Filipino citizens and Php4,000.00 for foreign citizens.
- c. **Youth Division** - The Entry Fee shall be Php2,000.00 for Filipino citizens and Php2,500.00 for foreign citizens.
- d. Entries must be made via google form.
Google form link: <https://bit.ly/JrAmStrokeplay>
Entry application is open until **April 2, 2023 at 5:00pm**.
- e. Once your slot in the tournament is confirmed by NGAP via email, the entry fee shall be paid via online bank transfer.
- f. 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.
- g. Any WITHDRAWAL or CANCELLATION must be made before **April 5, 2023 at 5:00pm** as there will be NO refund of the Entry Fee after this date.
- h. If a player must withdraw due to injury or illness during competition proper, they must inform any rules official on course and send any form of notification to tournament office.
- i. Strict **NO SHOW POLICY** will be enforced
 - a. Any player confirmed for the event who fails to show up TO ANY COMPETITION ROUND without giving prior notice will automatically be suspended for the next NGAP sanctioned event.
 - b. Any player with two (2) no shows within a twelve (12) month period will be suspended from all NGAP events for the next twelve (12) months.
- j. Habitual Withdrawal/Cancellation/No Card/No show will be review by Tournament committee and proper suspensions may be handed out.

DRAW/PAIRINGS

- a. The draw/pairings for the first and second rounds will be made by the organizing committee before the start of the Championship.
- b. The draw/pairings for the third and final rounds will be based on scores of the previous rounds.
- c. Pairing requests will not be entertained

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/or alter the start times as they deem necessary

OFFICIAL PRACTICE ROUND

- The official practice round is **April 11, Tuesday** - tee times may be coordinated directly with the club.
- Practice on any other day prior to official practice round will be based on club's availability and will be on the player's account.
- Official practice round may not be transferred or used on any other day than what is scheduled.
- For tee time reservation, please call 09778056920 - Kharen/Nes/Eli

WINNERS and PRIZES

The Philippine Junior Amateur Stroke Play Champion is boy and girl who wins Championship division

The following prizes will be awarded for all 3 Divisions:

Boys Champion	Trophy	Girls Champion	Trophy
Boys Runner up	Trophy	Girls Runner Up	Trophy
Boys 2 nd Runner up	Trophy	Girls 2 nd Runner Up	Trophy

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 (multiple ties) for the Champion of each division, the winner shall be decided via hole-by-hole "sudden death" play-off, until a winner is determined. The play-off hole/s will be decided by the Tournament Director on the final day of the event.
- b. If a sudden death play-off is not possible due to darkness, time constraints or bad weather, the Tournament Director may proceed to a shoot-out skills challenge to determine the winner. Details of this skills challenge shall be announced when the need arises.
- c. All other ties will be decided by count back. The count back procedure to be used will be as follows:
 - a. Last nine holes (10 to 18)
 - b. last six holes (13 to 18)
 - c. last three holes (16 to 18)
 - d. then hole by hole starting from the last hole (18, 17, 16...)
 - e. If there is still no result then the winner shall be decided by the toss of a coin.

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

The club has sufficient caddies and players must use the club's caddies. No personal caddies allowed.

USE OF GOLF CART

NO motorized transportation of any kind for all divisions

INSURANCE

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.

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

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

COMPETITION CLOSED

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 Association of the Philippines (NGAP)

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