

2023 NGAP SINGHA Qualifying Event for SINGHA Thailand Amateur Championship & SINGHA Junior Open Championship

Luisita Golf & Country Club September 15-17, 2023 (Friday to Sunday)

TERMS OF COMPETITION

GENERAL

The National Golf Association of the Philippines (NGAP) presents the NGAP Qualifying tournament for the Singha Thailand Amateur & Junior Open Championship which will be played at the Luisita Golf & Country Club on September 15 - 17, 2023. The qualifier will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf (effective August 2023) as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and with the Local Rules approved by the Organizing Committee.

- This tournament will serve as qualifying to SINGHA Thailand Amateur Championship 2023 (October 17 20) and SINGHA Thailand Junior Open Championship 2023 (October 26 – 29)
- There will be 4 amateur slots open for 2 men and 2 women participants. There will be 4 junior open slots for 2 junior boys and 2 junior girls. Slots for these individuals will be subsidized by NGAP. Subsidy includes the following:
 - o Airfare
 - USD500, which serves as entry fee. Entry fee includes accommodation (twin sharing), breakfast, lunch, caddy and green fees (cart fee and tip for caddy not included).
 - The top qualifiers will have to have a scoring average of 74 for men/boys and 77 for women/girls over 54 holes to qualify for the NGAP subsidy.
- Junior players are eligible to win both Amateur and Junior qualifying.

ELIGIBILITY

The Championship is open to Filipino players – **all male and female amateurs and all junior boys and junior girls** golfers (who have not yet turned 19 as of October 26, 2023). Only players with handicap index of 5 and below may register.

FORMAT OF PLAY

a. The Championship is 54 holes gross stroke-play. The schedule and format will be as follows:

| September 15, 2023 (Fri) | 1st Round | 18 holes |
|--------------------------|-------------|----------|
| September 16, 2023 (Sat) | 2nd Round | 18 holes |
| September 17, 2023 (Sun) | Final Round | 18 holes |

b. There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes. Only players within 8 strokes from 2nd placer will advance to Sunday.

SIZE OF THE FIELD

- a. The field will be limited to a maximum of **60 players.**
- b. In the event that the entries fall short or exceed the aforesaid respective numbers, the Committee reserves the right to amend the eligibility requirements as they deem fit.
- c. Entries will be prioritized according to the Lowest Handicap Index.

ENTRY

- a. Entries must be made via google form.
 Google form link: https://bit.ly/2023NGAP_SINGHAQualifying
 Entry application is open from September 1 (5 PM) to September 8 (5 PM), 2023.
- b. Once your slot in the tournament is confirmed via email, the entry fee shall be paid via bank transfer.
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- c. 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.
- d. Any WITHDRAWAL or CANCELLATION must be made via email before September 11, 2023, at 5:00pm as there will be NO refund of the Entry Fee after this date.
- e. Strict NO SHOW POLICY will be enforced.
- f. 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.
- g. Habitual Withdrawal/Cancellation/No Card/No show will be review by Tournament committee and proper suspensions may be handed out.

OFFICIAL PRACTICE ROUND

Practice rounds can be coordinated directly with Luisita Golf & Country Club.

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 2nd and final round will be according to score.
- c. Pairing requests will not be entertained.

TIME OF STARTING

- a. Players shall start at the time and order indicated in the draw/pairings.
- b. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to change and alter the start times as they deem necessary.

WINNERS AND PRIZES

| The following prizes will be | awarded: Certificates | for Qualifiers | |
|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Men's Champion | Certificate | Boy's Champion | Certificate |
| Men's Runner-up | Certificate | Boy's Runner up | Certificate |
| Women's Champion | Certificate | Girl's Champion | Certificate |
| Women's Runner up | Certificate | Girls Runner Up | Certificate |

SUBMISSION of SCORECARD

 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 Runner-up of each division, the winner shall be decided via hole- byhole "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:
 - i. Last nine holes (10 to 18)
 - ii. Last six holes (13 to 18)
 - iii. Last three holes (16 to 18)
 - iv. Then hole by hole starting from the last hole (18, 17, 16...)
 - v. 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 do 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.

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USE OF CADDIE

Players in all divisions are required to have a caddie and only one caddie at a given time. Only accredited caddies of the host golf club are allowed for ALL players regardless of age. The hired club caddy will only be allowed to handle the player's equipment, rake bunkers, fix divots/ball marks, act as secondary marker, umbrella girl or fore caddy. It is the caddie's duty to help the participant play without undue delay, which is defined as taking no more than 40 seconds to play a shot, counting from the time his/her turn to play is up. If a player takes more than 40 seconds, he or she will be subjected to a penalty.

USE OF GOLF CART

Motorized transportation is not allowed.

INSURANCE & MISCELLANEOUS FEES

All players are required to pay the golf insurance and miscellaneous fees required by Luisita Golf & Country Club.

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.
- 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. However an extra 10 seconds is allowed for the first player to play: i.
 - Tee shot on a par 3 hole.
 - Second shot on par 4's and par 5's. ii.
 - From on or near the putting green at any hole. iii.
- d. The timing will start when it is the player's turn to play and there is no interference or distraction.
- Penalty for Breach of Condition е
 - 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. Disgualification.

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.
 - 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

- Spectators, coaches, and parents MUST REMAIN ON CART PATH at all times. They must stay off the tees, а general areas, putting greens, bunkers and penalty areas. They are allowed to use golf carts and will be given on a first come first serve basis.
- They should maintain a reasonable distance from the players to avoid the impression that they are giving advice h or assisting the player in any way.
- Those found to be violating these policies may be asked to leave the COURSE. C.
- Players' parents will be responsible for paying for any gallery related fees. d

INQUIRIES

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For inquiries, please do not hesitate to contact the National Golf Association of the Philippines (NGAP) Mobile: Cathy Nogar 0977 323 3001 (Viber) Charlyn Facundo 0922 823 4758

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