



2026 Visayas Regional Golf Championship

Alta Vista Golf & Country Club

July 1-3, 2026

(Wednesday to Friday)



Organized and conducted by the National Golf Association of the Philippines

TERMS OF COMPETITION

GENERAL

The **2026 Visayas Regional Golf Championship** will be held at **Alta Vista Golf and Country Club** from **July 1-3, 2026**, and will be conducted in accordance with the **Rules of Golf** (effective January 2026) as approved by the **R&A Rules Limited**, along with the Local Rules approved by the Organizing Committee.

ELIGIBILITY

- A. **Men's Elite Division** - male amateur golfers with a WHS handicap index of **12.0 and below**
- B. **Ladies' Elite Division** - female amateur golfers with a WHS handicap index of **14.0 and below**
- C. **Mid-Amateur Division I** – male and female amateur golfers aged 25-54 (as of July 1, 2026) with a WHS handicap index of **10.0 and below**
- D. **Mid-Amateur Division II** – male and female amateur golfers aged 25-54 (as of July 1, 2026) with a WHS handicap index of **10.1 to 18.0**
- E. **Senior Division** – male and female amateur golfers aged 55 and above (as of July 1, 2026) with WHS handicap index of **18.0 and below**

*WHS handicap index to be used will be effective as of **June 1, 2026**.

FORMAT OF PLAY / SCHEDULE

- A. **Men's and Ladies' Elite Division – July 1-3 (Wednesday to Friday) – 3 days**
 - The Elite Division (Men's & Ladies') shall be a gross stroke play competition over 54 holes, with **men** teeing off from the **Blue** tees and **ladies** from the **White** tees.
 - There will be a cut after 36 holes—top 20 and ties for men and top 12 and ties for ladies will move on to the final round.
 - Players who score **95** or above (Men) and **100** or above (Ladies) in any round will be disqualified from the remaining round/s.
- B. **Mid-Amateur Division I & II – July 1-3 (Wednesday to Friday) – 3 days**
 - The Mid-Amateur Division shall be a gross stroke play competition over 54 holes, with **men** teeing off from the **Blue** tees and **ladies** from the **Red** tees.
 - There will be a cut after 36 holes—top 12 and ties will move on to the final round.
 - Players who score **100** or above (Men) and **105** or above (Ladies) in any round will be disqualified from the remaining round/s.
- C. **Senior Division – July 2-3 (Thursday & Friday) – 2 days**
 - The Senior Division will be a gross stroke play competition over 36 holes, with all players teeing off from the **White tees**.

Note: *Players disqualified on the first day (or any other consecutive day) shall not be permitted to play in the remaining rounds.*

SIZE OF FIELD

- A. The maximum field size is 100 players.
- B. Should the number of entries fall short of or exceed this limit, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to amend the distribution or eligibility requirements as they deem fit.

ENTRY

A. Entry fees:

Category	Elite Amateur	Mid-Amateur I & II	Senior Division
Filipino Citizens	Php 5,000	Php 5,000	Php 4,500
Foreign Citizens	Php 6,500	Php 6,500	Php 6,000

- B. **Payment Instructions:** Once your slot in the tournament has been confirmed via email, please pay the entry fee via online bank transfer to the NGAP Bank account.
- C. **Entry Deadline:** Entries must be received with payment on or before **June 24, 2026 (Wednesday) – 5:00pm**
- D. **Entry Policy:** The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit, accept, or reject any entry without assigning any reason. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.
- E. **Withdrawal Policy:** Withdrawals or cancellations must be made before **June 26, 2026 (Friday) – 5:00pm**. No refunds will be issued after this date.
- F. **Registration Link:** www.golfgenius.com/ggid/visayas/register

PRACTICE ROUND

- A. Each player is entitled to one (1) free practice round on **June 30, 2026 -Tuesday** provided they have registered and paid the entry fee.
- B. Additional practice rounds can be arranged directly with Alta Vista Golf & CC, subject to applicable green fees.
- C. For tee time reservation, please contact Alta Vista Golf & CC at **+63 9454313239**.

WINNERS and PRIZES

Trophies will be awarded to the following in each division:

- Champion
- 1st runner-up
- 2nd runner-up

DRAW/PAIRINGS

- A. The Draw and Pairings for the First Round will be determined by the Organizing Committee prior to the start of the Championship.
- B. The Draw and Pairings for the Second and Final rounds will be based on players' scores from the previous rounds.

TIME OF STARTING

- A. Players must start at the designated time and in order specified 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 at their discretion without the need to provide any explanation.

SUBMISSION of SCORECARD

- A. Players must check their scorecards to the Scoring Office for verification, ensuring all scores are accurate duly signed by their markers. Any doubtful point should be resolved with the Organizing Committee before submitting the Scorecard.
- B. Scorecard is deemed officially submitted once the player has left the scoring room/area.
- C. Scorecards must be submitted within 15 minutes after holing out, failure to do so may result in disqualification.

DECISION OF TIES

- A. In the event of a tie or ties for First place, the Champion shall be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off starting from Hole #1 until a winner is determined. Play-offs will be used only to determine the Champion.
- B. All other ties will be decided using the countback method in the following order:
 - o Last 18 holes
 - o Last 9 holes (holes 10 - 18)
 - o Last 6 holes (holes 13 -18)
 - o Last 3 holes (holes 16 - 18)
 - o Last hole (hole 18)

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.).

Penalty for Breach of Rule – 4.3:

- 1. **Penalty for first breach:** *General Penalty.* If the breach happens between two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.
- 2. **Penalty for second breach:** *Disqualification.* This penalty applies even if the nature of the breach was entirely different than the breach resulting in the first penalty. This penalty only applies if there has been an intervening event after the first breach (see Rule 1.3c(4)).
- b. The use of rangefinders with wind and slope corrections are not permitted.

USE OF CADDIE & MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION

- The club provides sufficient caddies, and players are required to use the club's caddies.
- **Personal caddies** are allowed only if they are not professionals, and the player must pay the applicable caddy fee to the club for caddies on deck.

Caddy Fee: ₱600.00

- **Golf carts** are allowed in all divisions, one (1) cart per player

Golf Cart Fee: ₱550.00 member ₱750.00 guest

ELECTRONIC DEVICES

- A. Use of electronic devices must be kept to a minimum.
- B. Mobile Phones may be used to call the organizing committee for rulings.
- C. Mobile phones may be used as range finders as long as DMD restrictions above are adhered to.
- D. Phones may not be used for calls and/or entertainment in the field of play during the stipulated round.
- E. Any device to play music or similar audio or entertainment will not be permitted.
 - 1 offense Players will be warned by the referee.
 - 2 offense Penalty of one (1) Stroke
 - 3 offense Further penalty of two (2) strokes.
 - 4 offense Disqualification.

INSURANCE & MISCELLANEOUS FEES

All players are required to pay the golf insurance and miscellaneous fees as mandated by the Golf Club.

Guest: ₱70.00 (daily)

PACE OF PLAY

- C. 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.
- D. 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.
- E. 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)

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

- Verbal abuse to a fellow competitor/official/staff.
- Intentionally distracting or offending fellow competitors.
- Causing unnecessary damage to the course or club property.
- Any other action which may be considered to be breach of player conduct.

ANY BREACH of Player Conduct is subject to disqualification penalty.

INQUIRIES & REGISTRATION

For inquiries and registration, please feel free to contact the following:

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