

## **GOLF REGULATIONS**

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### **1. Organization**

- a. The Golf Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Golf competitions of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The Golf competitions will be conducted according to the Rules of Golf as approved by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews and in accordance with the Local Rules approved by the Championship Committee.
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, registered the Golf competitions, and has an official handicap of no higher than nine (9) for the Open Men, fourteen (14) for the Open Ladies, fifteen (15) for the Masters Men, twenty one (21) for the Masters Ladies, and twelve (12) for Juniors Boys.
- d. Each country may enter one team only for each of the team events of the Golf competitions, except Israel, which may enter two teams (an A team and a B team). Only the Israeli "A" team will be eligible for Maccabiah medals.
- e. Each men team may consist of a maximum of **8** players and a minimum of **4** players. Each ladies team may consist of a maximum of **5** players and a minimum of **3** players. Each Masters' (Men and Ladies, 50+) team may consist of a maximum of **5** players and a minimum of **3** players. Each Junior Boys' (born 1991-92-93 and 94) team may consist of a maximum of 5 players and a minimum of **3** players.
- f. Countries, that cannot meet the minimum requirement of players to constitute a team, may enter for the individual events, which will run concurrently to the team events.
- g. In individual competitions only, countries that register the maximum number of players (except Men's Open), may also register reserve players. The maximum number of "reserve" players from each country for each competition is as follows:***
  - 1- Ladies Open competition may have 1 "reserve" player.***
  - 2- Men's Masters competition may have 1 "reserve" player.***
  - 3- Ladies Masters competition may have 1 "reserve" player.***
  - 4- Boys Juniors' competition may have 1 "reserve" player.***
- h. A player who participates in the Open, Masters or Juniors competition will not be permitted to participate in the Stableford competition.***

**REMARK:** All team substitutions must take place prior to the competitions. Once the competitions have started, the substitution of team players with "reserve" players will not be permitted.

### **2. Venues and times**

- a. The Golf Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Golf competitions and players will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Golf Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

### **3. Ball specifications**

The ball the player uses shall be named on the Current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews.

### **4. Limitation on Balls used during Round**

During a stipulated round the balls a player uses must be the same brand and type as detailed by a single entry on the Current List of Conforming Golf Balls. Penalty for Breach of Condition —Stroke Play – Two (2) strokes for each hole at which a breach occurred;

maximum deduction per round: Four (4) Strokes.

## 5. System of competition

### a. Men

#### 1. Team event:

Each team will consist of up to eight players whom will all (at least four in each round) play 72 holes at stroke play (from the Blue tees) over four days. In each of the four rounds the best four gross scores (out of a maximum of eight) in each team will be aggregated and each team's final score will be the total of these four aggregated rounds. The total will determine the winners of gold, silver and bronze in the team event. In the case of a tie for Gold, Silver or Bronze.

***A country which does not have the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e) will be permitted to combine with other countries which also fail to comply with the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), in order to form a team in the team event.***

#### 2. Individual event:

Concurrently with the team event, the individuals who return the 3 lowest aggregate gross scores over the 72 holes (from the Blue tees) will be the winners of Gold, Silver and Bronze in the individual gross event. In the case of a tie in the gross individual for Gold, Silver or Bronze there will be a sudden death playoff playing until the tie is resolved starting at the hole previously advised by the organization. If a player wins medal in gross event he is automatically not eligible to receive a medal in net individual tournament.

Concurrently with the team event, the individuals who return the lowest 3 net scores over the 72 holes (from the Blue tees) will be the winners of TROPHIES. In the case of a tie in the net individual the tie will be resolved as follows; better sum of last 9 holes net in last day of play, if it still persist best in sum of last 6 holes net on last day of play, if tie still persists best in sum of last 3 last holes net. If tie still persists the tie breaker will be set in meeting before tournament play.

### b. Ladies

#### 1. Team event:

Each team will consist of up to five players whom will all (at least three in each round) play 54 holes\*\* at stroke play over three days. In each of the three rounds the best three gross scores (out of a maximum of five) in each team will be aggregated and each team's final score will be the total of these three aggregated rounds.

***A country which does not have the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e) will be permitted to combine with other countries which also fail to comply with the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), in order to form a team in the team event.***

#### 2. Individual event:

Concurrently with the team event, the individuals who return the lowest 3 gross scores over the 54 holes will be the winners of Gold, Silver and Bronze in the case of a tie in the gross individual for Gold, Silver or Bronze there will be a sudden death playoff playing until the tie is resolved starting at the hole previously advised by the organization. If a player wins medal in gross event he is automatically not eligible to receive a medal in net individual tournament. If there are less than 8 participants in the women's event there will only be a gross individual event if there are only 3 there will only be gold and silver gross medals in dispute and if there 2 only gold gross.

Concurrently with the team event and taking into account the number of participants as stated above, the individuals who return the lowest 3 net scores over the 54 holes will be the winners of TROPHIES in the case of a tie in the net individual the tie will be resolved as follows; better sum of last 9 holes net in last day of play, if it still persist best in sum of last 6 holes net on last day of play, if tie still persists best in sum of last 3 last holes net. If tie still persists the tie- breaker will be set in meeting before tournament play.2.

\*\* In the LPGA and in other ladies professional golf tournaments, the competitors (whose life's work is to play golf, almost daily) whose level of fitness is doubtless far superior to that of the ladies who participate in the Maccabiah, are called upon to play only 54 holes (except in their "major"). In the heat and humidity of the Israeli summer, it is firmly suggested that the ladies section of the golf be confined to only 54 holes (it should be borne in mind that only Masters are entitled to use power carts).

c. Men Masters

1. Team event:

Each team will consist of up to five players whom will all (at least three in each round) play 72 holes at stroke play over four days. In each of the four rounds the best three gross scores (out of a maximum of five) in each team will be aggregated and each team's final score will be the total of these four aggregated rounds.

***A country which does not have the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e) will be permitted to combine with other countries which also fail to comply with the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), in order to form a team in the team event.***

2. Individual event:

Concurrently with the team event, the individuals who return the lowest 3 gross scores over the 72 holes will be the winners of Gold, Silver and Bronze in the case of a tie in the gross individual for Gold, Silver or Bronze there will be a sudden death playoff playing until the tie is resolved starting at the hole previously advised by the organization. If a player wins medal in gross event he is automatically not eligible to receive a medal in net individual tournament. If there are less than 8 participants in the masters event there will only be a gross individual event if there are only 3 there will only be gold and silver gross medals in dispute and if there 2 only gold gross.

Concurrently with the team event and taking into account the number of participants as stated above, the individuals who return the lowest 3 net scores over the 72 holes will be the winners of trophies in the case of a tie in the net individual the tie will be resolved as follows; better sum of last 9 holes net in last day of play, if it still persist best in sum of last 6 holes net on last day of play, if tie still persists best in sum of last 3 last holes net. If tie still persists the tie- breaker will be set in meeting before tournament play.2.

d. Ladies Masters

1. Team event:

Each team will consist of up to five players whom will all (at least three in each round) play 54 holes at stroke play (from the Red Tees) over three days. In each of the three rounds the best three gross scores (out of a maximum of four) in each team will be aggregated and each team's final score will be the total of these three aggregated rounds.

***A country which does not have the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), will be permitted to combined with other countries which also fail to comply with the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), in order to form a team in the team event.***

2. Individual event:

Concurrently with the team event, the individual who returns the lowest gross score over the 54 holes (from the White Tees) will be the winner.

e. Juniors:

1. Team event:

Each team will consist of up to five players who will all (at least four in each round) play 54 holes at stroke play (from the White tees) over four days. In each of the three gross

scores (out of a maximum of five) in each team will be aggregated and each team's final score will be the total of four aggregated rounds.

***A country which does not have the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e) will be permitted to combine with other countries which also fail to comply with the minimum number of players required in section 1 (e), in order to form a team in the team event.***

2. Individual event:

Concurrently with the team event, the individuals who return the lowest 3 gross scores over the 54 holes will be the winners of Gold, Silver and Bronze in the case of a tie in the gross individual for Gold, Silver or Bronze there will be a sudden death playoff playing until the tie is resolved starting at the hole previously advised by the organization. If a player wins medal in gross event he is automatically not eligible to receive a medal in net individual tournament. If there are less than 8 participants in the junior's event there will only be a gross individual event if there are only 3 there will only be gold and silver gross medals in dispute and if there 2 only gold gross.

Concurrently with the team event and taking into account the number of participants as stated above, the individuals who return the lowest 3 net scores over the 54 holes will be the winners of trophies in the case of a tie in the net individual the tie will be resolved as follows; better sum of last 9 holes net in last day of play, if it still persist best in sum of last 6 holes net on last day of play, if tie still persists best in sum of last 3 last holes net. If tie still persists the tie- breaker will be set in meeting before tournament play.

f. Ties:

For first, second, or third place in the **Men's Team Competition**, a tie shall be broken by the aggregate total of the four lowest scores of the teams on the fourth and final round. If there still remains a tie then it will be broken by the aggregate total of the four lowest scores of the teams on the third day of competition and shall continue to the second and first day if necessary. Where the tie cannot be broken in this manner, the best fifth score of the team in the final round shall determine, and if there is still a tie the best fifth score of the team in the third round shall determine and so on backwards. If a team in the tie does not have a fifth (or sixth) player, the team without a fifth (sixth) player shall be declared the winner of the tie.

For first, second, or third place in the **Ladies and Masters Team Competition**, a tie shall be broken by the aggregate total of the three lowest scores of the teams in the final round. If there still remains a tie then it will be broken by the aggregate total of the three lowest scores of the teams in the penultimate round and shall continue backwards to earlier rounds if necessary. Where the tie cannot be broken in this manner, the best fourth score of the team in the final round shall determine, and if there is still a tie the best fifth score of the team in the penultimate rounds shall determine, and so on backwards. If a team in the tie does not have a fourth player, the team without a fourth player shall be declared the winner of the tie.

g. Suspension

Should a team be suspended or cease to play before the competition is completed, all scoring of such a team will be cancelled and be invalid.

**Only Masters players are permitted to ride in power golf cars**

**(\$ 25 fee per day)**

6. Awards

***Maccabiah medals will not be awarded in any net competition. Some other type of awards will be presented.***

## **Stableford Competition**

Last up-date 19-05-08

### **1. Organization**

- a. The Golf Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will be responsible for the Golf Handicap competition of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah.
- b. The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews and the Local Rules of the Caesarea Golf Club will conduct the Golf competitions according to the rules of Golf as approved.
- c. Participation in the competition is open to any athlete who is in possession of a Participant Card, issued by the Organizing Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah, registered the Golf competitions, is at the age of 18 or above on July 10<sup>th</sup> 2009, and has an Official handicap of no higher than twenty four (24) for men, and no higher than 32 for the ladies.
- d. This special event for individuals is to be held over 54 holes, under handicap, and it will be required for the entrants to bring with them their official and valid club handicap cards.
- e. Since the Stableford competition and the Masters competition overlap, players registered for the Masters competition will not be permitted for the Stableford competition.
- f. A player who participates in the Open, Masters or Juniors competition is ineligible and will not be permitted to participate in the Stableford competition.***

### **2. Venues and times**

- a. The Golf Committee of the 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah will determine the venues and times of the Golf competitions and teams will be notified accordingly.
- b. The Golf Committee is authorized to change the venues and times of the competitions. These decisions will be final.

### **3. Balls**

Only balls named on the current Royal & Ancient list of conforming 1.68 inches (42.67mm) golf balls are allowed. Balls for practice will not be supplied.

### **4. System of competition**

- a. There will be separate men's and women's individual Stableford competitions, under handicap.
- b. It will be a 54 – hole event over 3 days, with the best 3 net scores in both, the women's and the men's competitions to be awarded certificates and trophies. No Maccabiah medals will be awarded in the Stableford competitions.***
- c. In the event of a tie the players will be declared co-winners and, where applicable, places second and third will be eliminated.
- d. The player is responsible for knowing the conditions under which the competition is to be played (Rules of Golf Regulations).
- e. After 36 holes have been completed, there will be a cut and only 1/3 of the players (+ ties) will go through to the third day of competition.***

**Only players who are age 50+ will be permitted to ride in power golf cars  
(\$ 25 fee per day)**

**Referees**

- a. The Golf Committee will select the Referees' Committee, which in turn will appoint the referees of the competition.
- b. The Golf Committee shall lay down the conditions under which the competitions are to be played (reference Rules of Golf, Rule 33-1), and no player, team or manager can insist on any changes.
- c. In the absence of a referee the players will refer any dispute to the Golf Committee whose decision will be final (reference Rules of Golf 34-3).

**General**

- a. These regulations are but one part of the complete 18<sup>th</sup> Maccabiah Regulations, and must be read along with the instructions found in "Basic Regulations and Disciplinary Procedures".
- b. In the event of a discrepancy between the regulations written here and those appearing in the "Basic Regulations", the regulations written here will apply and be binding.