



## **2018 ISRAEL AMATEUR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS - TOURNAMENT CONDITIONS**

### **1. GENERAL**

The championships will be for the following categories and will take place at Gaash Golf Club on the 30th of November and the 1st ( Juniors only) and 2nd of December 2018.

- a. Juniors up to the age of 18 years.
- b. Senior Ladies aged 55 and above.
- c. Senior men: 3 Categories, aged 55 and above, aged 65 and above, aged 75 and above.

The age limitation refers to the 1<sup>st</sup> day of the championships

Please note that registered players who are non Gaash members may play practice rounds after completing the registration process and prior to the start of the tournament for a fee of NIS 200.00

Closing ceremony and prize giving will be on 2nd of December 2018

### **2. PARTICIPATION CONDITIONS**

- a. Israeli participants must be current members of the Israel Golf Federation and comply with the rules of amateur status ( therefore excluding professionals).
- b. All Israeli participants must have a valid medical certificate - age 35 and over must in addition have a current Ergometric certificate as laid down by the sport authority law. It is the clubs responsibility to ensure that each participant has the required certification.
- c. Non Israeli participants must have proof of handicap from a recognized source.
- d. The championship will be played in accordance with the rules of golf as approved by the R & A and with the rules of golf as approved by the Israel Golf Federation tournament committee.
- e. The use of caddies is permitted but excludes the use of professional golfers as caddies.
- f. Golf cars are permitted for Adults, and can be reserved in the Pro Shop in Ga'ash Golf Club, telephone number; 00972-9-9515111.
- g. Handicap limit is 24 for all categories.



### 3. REGISTRATION

a. **Fees** must be paid on registration at the pro shop in Gaash, in the Golf Shop in Caesarea, or by telephone to the Secretary of the Israel Golf Federation, Mrs Irit Peleg, 00972-50-5571972. Last date for registration is 25th November 2018

b. No entry will be accepted from Israeli competitors without payment of the entry fee and the confirmation of membership of the Israel Golf Federation and submission of the medical certificates.

c. Registration fees:

Junior - NIS100.00

Seniors NIS 250.00

Competitors from Overseas, € 50.00

d. Please note;

1/ in the event of there not being at least 6 entries in the Adult categories, the category will be cancelled and the registration fee will be refunded

2/ if the number of entries exceed the capacity of the golf course there will be a maximum handicap limitation imposed and those not eligible will have their registration fee refunded

### 4. THE CATEGORIES ARE: (each category is a separate competition)

- a. Senior Ladies for players aged 55 and over. Red Tees
- b. Senior Men for players aged 55 and over. White Tees
- c. Senior Men for players aged 65 and over. White Tees
- d. Senior Men for players aged 75 and over. Yellow Tees
- e. Juniors aged up to 18. Girls Red Tees, Boys White Tees



## 5. PRIZES:

- a. A trophy for the first and second place gross score in each category
- b. A trophy for the first place net score in each category
- c. A competitor may take only one prize, gross taking precedence over nett.
  
- d. In case of a tie for the lowest gross score in each category there will be an immediate playoff on the 1<sup>st</sup> and then the 18th hole and if still tied return to the 1<sup>st</sup> hole and so on until there is a winner
  
- e. In case of a tie for the 2<sup>nd</sup> gross score or the 1st net score in each category there will be a count - back based on the last round of the competition. If still tied the last 9 holes score of the competition then the last 6 holes then the last 3 holes and if still tied the same will apply based on the previous rounds.

## 6. ADDITIONAL GUIDE LINES:

- a. Placing is permitted on the cut portion of the golf course (Fairway), within 1 driver length, not nearer the hole. If there is any doubt play the ball as it lies. In order to measure a driver's length, place a tee at the ball end of the driver and at the head end of the driver. Pick up the ball and place it anywhere between the two tees, but not nearer the hole and not in a hazard or on a green. (pages 143 and 144 of the rule book and Rule 20 - 2Ciii ).
- b. A player may use distance measuring devices, Laser or GPS but not for measuring differences in height.
- c. The driver used by competitors must have a club head identified by model and loft that is named on the current list of conforming driver heads as issued by the R&A rules Ltd.
- d. A competitor shall not knowingly make use of any drug to enhance his/her performance. Should a competitor show good clinical evidence of use of a drug for non-therapeutic purpose, the committee may require him/her to undergo a drug tests. Any competitor infringing this condition may be disqualified. Competitors who are on medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from championship office.

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- e. The tournament committee reserves the right to change and/or alter the championship conditions and the decision of the committee is final and binding.
- f. If any round is cancelled the lowest scores of all the rounds played will decide the winners.
- g. The use of a mobile telephone, paging device or any other form of electronic equipment by a competitor or his caddie on the golf course during a stipulated round is a distraction and inconsiderate. If the competitor or his caddie is in possession of such a device, it should be turned off.  
Any use may result in the committee taking disciplinary action against the offending person in accordance with the concluding paragraph of section 1: etiquette in the rules of golf and, ultimately, in a penalty being imposed under rule 33-7.
- h. Pace of play conditions will be published on the score card and will be strictly enforced.
- i. Return of the score card. After completion of each round the competitor should check his score for each hole and settle any doubtful points with the committee.  
He must ensure that the marker has signed the score card, and sign the score card himself and return it to the committee as soon as possible. Penalty for breach of rule 6-6b is disqualification.

## 7. COMPETITION MANAGEMENT

- a. Referee, Robert Hickinbotham
- b. Tournament committee, Basil Katz, Robert Hickinbotham, Alon Granot.