



18th Juniors Arab Amateur Championship 9th Ladies Arab Amateur Championship

El Kantaoui Golf Course
16th to 18th November 2017

CONDITIONS OF TOURNAMENT

CALENDAR

Category	Age	Number Team members	Tuesday 14th Nov.	Wednesday 15th Nov.	Thursday 16th Nov.	Friday 17th Nov.	Saturday 18th Nov.
Ladies		3 team members	Practice round	Practice round	1st round	2nd round	3rd round
Junior Boys : 18 years & under	Born in or after 1999	3 team members	Practice round	Practice round	1st round	2nd round	3rd round
Junior Boys : 15 years & under	Born in or after 2002	3 team members	Practice round	Practice round	1st round	2nd round	3rd round

ENTRY CONDITIONS

ELIGIBILITY OF NATIONS

All members of the Arab Golf Federation are eligible to participate in the Arab Amateur Championship. Every nation will be represented at most, by a single team per category.
National team: Composed of three team members per category

Each national federation is required to respect the eligibility conditions of their teams and their members.

ELIGIBILITY OF TEAM MEMBER

Each team member must be:

- Amateur golfer in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status.
- Nominated by an "Arab Golf Federation" member country and citizen of the country represented.
- Playing off a certified handicap.

A player with dual citizenship may only represent one nation per year. According to the Olympic Games charter, Rule 42, there must be a three years gap between playing for one country to another country. However, if the Golf Federations from the two countries agree to waiver this condition then the player may play for a different country immediately.

ELIGIBILITY OF INDIVIDUAL PLAYERS

Only teams compound of three players are eligible to play for individual classification and on their own charge (Internal transport and green fee are offered by the Tunisian Golf Federation) .

Any individual amateur, may participate in the Arab Amateur championship outside the tournament classification.

TEAM CAPTAIN

The team captain must be designated by name on the sheet composition of the team at the team captains meeting. Only the team captain may give advice to members of his team, as provided by the Note to Rule No. 8.



Reminder : If the team captain is a player, he cannot, while playing, give advice to his team mates (Decision 8/2). In case of force majeure, the team captain may be replaced after approval of the Committee of tournament.

A Team Captain may not caddie for any player and he is not allowed to go on the green.

A team captain who breaches any rules of the tournament will get :

- 1st breach : Official warning
- 2nd breach : Exclusion from the course
- 3rd breach : Disqualification of the team and the individual results*

ENGAGEMENT

ENTRIES

Entries will only be accepted on the official entry form and must be received at the Arab Golf Federation office or the Tunisian Golf Federation office, one month prior to the start of the computation

Entry form must be signed and stamped by the President of the Golf Federation of the candidate nation or by any other person having the authority to sign. The entry form can be faxed or emailed to the Arab Golf Federation and the Tunisian Golf Federation.

By entering the Arab Amateur Championship, the teams, their players and officials must:

- Respect the provisions stipulated in this regulation, other regulations and other decisions drafted by the Arab Golf Federation.
- Accept that all the administrative, disciplinary and arbitration question related to the Arab Amateur Championship will be decided by the Arab Golf Federation in accordance with the Conditions herein.

Entry fees for each team:

- Entry fees for one team: \$USD 1,500
- Entry fees for two team: \$USD 2,500
- Entry fees for three team: \$USD 4,000

REGISTRATION

Participating teams must register as soon as possible following their arrival at the Arab Amateur Championship venue. Team captains may register players' names of their team.

WITHDRAWALS

All withdrawal must be notified to the Arab Golf Federation, before the beginning of the Arab Amateur Championship, by phone: +97140 295 2277 fax: +97140 295 2288 or by e-mail to arabgolffederation.org.

Nations who withdraw less than three days prior to the start of the Arab Amateur Championship, other than special circumstances, may have their future entries rejected, and will not have their entry fee will not be refunded. Nations who withdraw after the closing date will automatically forfeit their entry fee.

TIME OF STARTING AND PRACTICE

The Arab Golf Federation will not communicate any time of starting, by phone. The times of starting will be displayed on the official notice board.

For reservations of departures from the official practice day, participating teams must contact the tournament office.

A player who is competing in the Arab Amateur Championship is not allowed to practice on the Championship course from 1st day of the championship until the official publication of results. Penalty: Disqualification of player for the rest of the championship.



CAPTAINS MEETING

The captains meeting will be prior to the start of the competition unless otherwise noted. At this meeting, team captains have to sign the sheet composition of their team.

The presence of the captain or his representative is required at the meeting, Failure to attend will result in disqualification. This representative may be a team player or any other person authorized in writing by the captain.

Minutes of the meeting must be recorded.

FORME OF PLAY

STROKE PLAY

■ Nations Championship

The competition will consist of 54 Holes stroke play, with rounds of 18 holes to be played for three consecutive days. All players of the juniors teams and ladies teams will be eligible for the three rounds.

For each 18-hole round, the total of the 2 lowest scores for the both of Juniors and Ladies teams event will constitute the team score for that round. If two or more team players return the same score, the score returned earlier will be taken for that team.

The total of the team scores for the three rounds will be the team score for the competition. The team returning the lowest total score will be the winning team. Subsequent positions will be determined likewise.

■ Individual Championship

The scores for all three rounds returned by players in the team events, will be individually added, and the player returning the lowest score will be the winner. Subsequent positions will be determined likewise.

DRAW

- 1st round : The starting order of teams will be randomly drawn at the captains meeting. The team members will play in the order given by the captain on the form of order of play

This form of order of play must be submitted by the team captain to the Committee at the captains meeting. No changes may be made on this form after the captains meeting.

- After the 1st round: the draw will be made according to the provisional ranking.

DECISION OF TIES

■ Nations Championship:

A tie for any place will be decided using the lowest total of the non-counting scores. If a tie still exists, the sum of the lowest scores, one from each day, will be used. Then, for further ties, the sum of the second lowest scores and the third lowest scores, one from each day, will be used, etc. Any further tie will be decided using the best score from each of the tied teams by comparing the scores of 18, 9, 6, 3 holes and last hole.

■ Individual Championship

For each category, in the event of a tie for first place gross, **the winner's gross** will be decided by a sudden death play-off which will take place immediately.

Ties for other prizes will be decided on the lowest score for the last 18 holes (or 9 or 6 or 3 or 1 hole).



BREACH OF CONDITIONS - DISQUALIFICATION

In a round or after the official proclamation of results, if a team has played with a team member who does not respect the conditions of participation, so the team could be disqualified.

Any team, after a round or the Arab Amateur Championship, has not seen his scores validated against the conditions of tournament is disqualified.

INCLEMENT WEATHER / EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES

In the event that the tournament was disrupted by inclement weather or other exceptional circumstances, the following requirements must be met :

- It is necessary that at least one complete round of stroke play must be played; otherwise the Arab Amateur Championship must be cancelled and possibly rescheduled.
- If the last round cannot be completed before the end of the Arab Amateur Championship, it will be cancelled and the result before the last round is formalized.

TITLES AND AWARDS

■ Nations Championship

The winning nation with the lowest gross scores will be nominated and declared The Arab Nations Champion for a period of one year.

In the teams event, the gross winning country will receive 5 gold medals, the runner up 5 silver medals, and 5 bronze medal for the third place.

In the Team net category event, the winning team with the lowest net score will receive 5 gold medals, the runner up 5 silver medals, and 5 bronze medal for the third place.

■ Juniors and Ladies Championship, Individual Event

The gross winner in the individual event will be declared the Arab Champion Golfer for a period of one year. The gross winner will receive a gold medal, the runner up a silver medal, and a bronze medal for the third place.

The net winner will receive a gold medal, the runner up a silver medal, and a bronze medal for the third place.

COMMITTEE

The tournament committee will be responsible for the organization and smooth running of the tournament. The tournament committee will be nominated by the Arab Golf Federation, consisting of:

- Two executive committee members.
- Two members from the hosting country.
- The Tournament Director

Under the conditions defined by the Rules of Golf, only the referees nominated for the tournament by the Arab Golf Federation have the authority to give a decision on the Rules, whether or not part of the tournament committee (except for a team disqualification which will be the committee responsibility). The Committee's responsibilities are defined in the Rules of Golf 33 and 34.

GENERAL RULES

LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS – Pages 141-142

Any driver the player carries must have a club head, identified by model and loft that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by R&A.

Penalty for making stroke with club in Breach of Condition: Disqualification



SPECIFICATION OF THE BALL (Note to Rule 5-1)

List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by R&A.

PACE OF PLAY (Note 2 to Rule 6-7)

In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and in the case of second or subsequent groups, out of position. From the commencement of timing, if any player exceeds 50 seconds on a "first to play approach shot (including Par 3 tee shot), chip or putt", or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or "second or third to play shot", he is deemed to have had a "bad time".

The time allowed will be determined by the Tournament Committee and will be published on the official notice board. Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front. A player who has had a bad time will have this bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

Penalty for Breach of Condition:

- 1st bad time – Official warning
- 2nd bad time – One stroke penalty
- 3rd bad time – Two additional stroke penalty
- 4rd bad time – Disqualification

SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION

- Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged note of siren.
- Discontinue Play: Three consecutive notes of siren. If a ball in play, the players can finish the hole if all the contesting players on that hole agree to.
- Resume Play: Two short notes of siren, repeated.

TRANSPORTATION

Players and caddies must walk at any time during a stipulated round.

Penalty for breach of condition:

Stroke play: two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred, maximum penalty per round : Four strokes

RESULT OF THE COMPETITION — COMPETITION CLOSED

A player's score card is deemed officially returned to the Committee when he left the recording office/areas. When the final results sheet is posted on the official notice board, the result of the Competition is deemed to have been officially announced.

MOBIL PHONES

Except in case of absolute necessity or for a very special call (e.g. contact the Tournament Committee or a referee), it is forbidden for players and caddies to use mobile phones. Their mobile phones should be switched off in order to avoid disturbing the other players.

Penalty for breach of condition:

- 1st breach : official warning
- 2nd breach : Two strokes penalty
- 3rd breach : Disqualification

Except in case of absolute necessity or for a very special call (e.g. contact the Tournament Committee or a referee), it is inadvisable for players and caddies to use mobile phones. Their mobile phones should be switched off in order to avoid disturbing the other players.

Penalty for breach of condition

Use of mobile phone to obtain advice (Rule 14-3) : Two strokes penalty.

For subsequent offence: Disqualification

Use of mobile phone in conditions authorized by the rules, disturbing other players:

- 1st breach : Official warning
- 2nd breach: Disqualification (serious breach of etiquette)



DISTANCE-MEASURING DEVICES

A player may obtain distance information by use of a distance-measuring device. A multifunctional device, such as a smartphone or PDA, may be used as 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 14-3.

Penalty for breach of this Local Rule:

Two strokes penalty

For subsequent offence: Disqualification

In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

DRESS CODE

All players participating in the golf competition must wear appropriate clothing and apparel that complies with the IGF dress code regulations.

INCORRECT BEHAVIOUR

Player and caddy

If a player or his caddy has an incorrect behaviour (throwing a club, hitting the ground with a club, saying rude things, etc.) or if he does not respect guidelines of etiquette, he will be advised that the Committee will decide whether he is disqualified or not.

Penalty for breach of condition:

Disqualification according to Committee's decision

Important : in case of dangerous throw of club or insults to an Official, the player will be immediately disqualified.

Team Captain

If a captain shows unacceptable behaviour or if he does not respect the guidelines of etiquette, he will be reprimanded.

1st breach : Official warning

2nd breach : Exclusion from the course

3rd breach : Disqualification of the team.