

WALES G4D OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

SPECIFIC TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. Format

- a) The Championship is open to any adult or junior, male or female golfer who meet the criteria set out below in section 2
- b) The event will be played over 36 holes across two days with 18 holes on each day. The format will depend on a player's WHS Handicap Index as they will be put into one of three categories outlined below;
 - i. Strokeplay Gross: Handicap Index 7.4 and below
 - ii. Strokeplay Net: Handicap Index 7.5 – 18.4
 - iii. Stableford: Handicap Index 18.5 – 54.0
- c) In the event of a tie for first place in the Strokeplay Gross division there will be a sudden death hole-by-hole playoff over one or more holes as selected by the committee. The play-off shall start as soon as practical after the completion of all rounds.
- d) In the event of a tie for first place in the Strokeplay Net and Stableford Categories, as well as any subsequent ties for places in any position in all categories, the places will be determined by countback on the last 18, 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole(s) in turn as required and if still a tie, the first-round scores will be used.
- e) Caddies are allowed.

2. Eligibility

- a) Entries will only be accepted from players with an Official World Handicap Index held at an affiliated club to their National Union, or overseas equivalent.
- b) Entrants holding both an official WHS Handicap and an overseas handicap must enter this Championship using their official WHS handicap.
- c) Competitors must have a long-term illness, disability or infirmity
- d) An EDGA Pass is not a necessity to enter but one is needed to play (passes can be applied for between entering and the Championship). This will allow players to gain any WR4GD points.
- e) Players with a professional status may enter this event and will be delegated a Handicap Index of scratch.
- f) The field size will be limited to 39 players for this year only and entries will be done on a first come first serve basis, with the first 13 players from each category, outlined above, taking part.
- g) In the event that one category is under subscribed, another category may use those extra spaces and be over subscribed such that the total number of participants across all three categories at the Championship is 39.
- h) Anyone who has not made the ballot for their respective category will be added to the reserve list, upon any withdrawals in their category (or that make another category undersubscribed) players on the reserve list shall be contacted regarding a place in the field.

3. Exceptions

- a) Wales Golf Championship Committee reserves the right to have at least 10 Welsh Players taking part across all three categories. In the scenario that less than 10 Welsh players enter the event. The other spaces will be offered to golfers of any nationality based upon when they entered.

4. Winners and Prizes

- a) The winner of the Strokeplay Gross Category will be the Welsh G4D Open Champion for the year and will be presented with the trophy and a memento
- b) The winner of the Strokeplay Net and Stableford Categories will be presented with a memento.
- c) The runners-up in each category will be receive a memento.
- d) Third place in each category will receive a memento.

Note: The above Conditions must be read in conjunction with the following which apply to all Wales Golf Championships:

- i. **Wales Golf 'General Conditions of Competition & Rules'**
- ii. **Wales Golf 'Hard Card' (Local Rules & Conditions of Competition)**
- iii. **Wales Golf Anti-Doping Policy**