

WELSH WOMENS OPEN STROKE PLAY CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 TERMS OF COMPETITION

1. The Championship

- a) The Championship shall be open to female amateur golfers of all nationalities.
- b) It shall be played over 54 holes. 18 holes on day one and day two with the top 60 and ties playing 18 holes on day three.
- c) The Winner shall be the competitor who returns the lowest score over the 54 holes. In the event of a tie for first place, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off over holes to be decided by the Championship Committee.
- d) Ties for all other places will be decided by the lowest score for the final 18 holes (or last 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole(s)). If a tie still exists, a hole-by-hole card play-off starting from hole 1 will be used.
- e) A maximum of 144 competitors shall play in the Championship.

2. Entry Qualifications

- a) Entries will only be accepted from players with an official WHS Handicap Index of 6.0 or less held at an affiliated club to their National Union, or overseas equivalent.
- b) Entrants holding both a United Kingdom WHS Handicap Index and an overseas equivalent must use their United Kingdom handicap information when entering.
- c) Failure to enter in accordance with this condition will result in entry being denied.

3. Exemptions

The Championship Committee of Wales Golf reserves the right to grant up to 6 invitations into this event for players eligible for Welsh representation.

4. Nations Team Event

For the Team Award, a country may nominate up to two teams of two or three players, the two lowest scores in each of the three rounds to count. Ties will be decided by card count back using the aggregate of the lowest two 18-hole third round scores. If still a tie, the aggregate score for the second 9 holes, (or the last 6, 3 or 1 hole(s)) of those two third round scores will be used. If still a tie the award will be shared. Team nominations must be submitted by email (championships@walesgolf.org) by an official of the players' National Organisation. This must reach Wales Golf no later than 4pm on the Wednesday before the Championship. Should one or more of the nominated players be incapacitated by illness, accident or other unavoidable occurrence, the nominated reserve, or reserves, may be substituted in order of selection.

5. Winner & Prizes

- a) The Winner of the Championship will be the Welsh Open Women's Amateur Stroke Play Champion for the year. She will be awarded the Dragon Salver, £300 and a memento.
- b) The Runner Up will be awarded the Nicholls Salver for one year and receive £200 and a memento.
- c) The following additional prizes will be awarded:
 - i. 3rd place - £100 and a memento.
 - ii. 4th place - £50.
 - iii. The Team Award Trophy will be awarded to the Country returning the lowest aggregate score over three rounds. Each member of the team 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 Terms of Competition & Rules'**
- ii. **Wales Golf 'Hard Card' (Local Rules & Terms of Competition)**