

# R&A

# JUNIOR

# OPEN

Littlestone

13 - 15 July 2020

Closing Date for Entries

Friday 1 May 2020

## TERMS OF COMPETITION

### I. ENTRIES

- a) By submitting an entry for this Championship you are entering into an agreement with R&A Championships Limited (Company number SC247047), having its registered office at Beach House, Golf Place, St Andrews, Fife KY16 9JA ('The R&A') and you agree to be bound by these Terms of Competition. It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that she has read and complies with these Terms of Competition.
- b) The Championship shall be open to boys and girls who have Amateur Status in accordance with the current Amateur Status Rules of R&A Rules Limited and have been nominated by national governing bodies affiliated to The R&A or bodies recognised by The R&A. Competitors must hold a current World Handicap System (WHS) Handicap Index, CONGU, or overseas equivalent, exact handicap/handicap index not exceeding 15.4 at date of entry and be under 16 years of age at on 1 January 2020 but over 12 years of age by 13 July 2020.

Entrants holding both a WHS Handicap Index and a CONGU Competition Handicap or an overseas authority handicap must enter the Championship using their WHS Handicap Index. The penalty for failure to enter the Championship in compliance with this Term of Competition is disqualification.

Entrants without a WHS Handicap Index but who hold both a CONGU Competition Handicap and overseas authority handicap must enter the Championship using their CONGU Competition Handicap. The CONGU Competition Handicap maintained by the entrant's "Home" club must and will be used for all purposes. The penalty for failure to enter the Championship in compliance with this Term of Competition is disqualification.

- c) Any affiliate may send a maximum of two players but, in such cases, one boy and one girl. No affiliate may send two boys or two girls. Any affiliate may send one boy or one girl.
- d) R&A affiliates must submit their entrant(s) electronically via the weblink provided by separate R&A email and by close of entries on Friday 1 May 2020. It is the responsibility of the affiliate to ensure that their online entry(s) is/are completed successfully, and that all contact details are accurate. One entry per entrant is required to be submitted. A list of accepted entries may be viewed at [randa.org](http://randa.org). Late entries will not be accepted.
- e) Acceptance of an online entry does not guarantee a place in the starting field. Entrants successful in gaining places in the starting field will be advised after close of entries. If an entrant is withdrawn before or after close of entries, their withdrawal is final and re-entry will not be permitted. The R&A will not be liable to compensate an entrant for any cost or expense incurred prior to the starting field being confirmed.
- f) All entries are subject to the approval of the Committee which reserves the right to disqualify any competitor following a false statement on his/her online entry and to accept or refuse or, having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving reason for its decision.
- g) Entrants must bring to the Championship proof of their current handicap.

- h) All competitors must participate in the Championship in its entirety. Failure to do so may result in disciplinary action being taken.
- i) All competitors are subject to the provisions of the International Golf Federation's Anti-Doping Policy. Details of the Policy, and the current List of Prohibited Substances and Methods, are available from the IGF website ([www.igfgolf.org](http://www.igfgolf.org)). Entrants who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from The R&A or IGF knowing that, should a Therapeutic Use Exemption (TUE) be required this must be submitted to the IGF not later than 30 days before the start of the Championship.

## **2. FORMAT**

- a) The starting field will be limited to 120. In the event of entries exceeding this number, those entrants not allocated a starting place will be placed on a reserve list administered by The R&A. The R&A will allocate places in the starting field, and from the reserve list, so that the field reflects a balance of gender and geographical representation. R&A affiliates may, given the maximum field size of 120, be limited to one nominated player in the field.
- b) The Championship shall consist of 54 holes stroke play played over three rounds and in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and the Local Rules as approved by the Committee. One round of 18 holes shall be played on each of the first two days, for which one draw will be made. The competitors returning the 80 lowest gross scores, plus any tying for 80th place, over the first 36 holes shall qualify for the final 18 holes on the third day. For the final 18 holes, the pairings and starting times will be determined by the qualifying scores.
- c) In the event of a tie for the Championship there will be a hole-by-hole play-off immediately after the final card has been returned to determine the winner. Other ties, except in determining the winner of the Championship, will be decided by card count back using the 18 hole third round score (followed by 9, 6, 3 or 1 of that round). If still a tie, the 18 hole second round score will be used, and, if a tie still arises, the 18 hole first round score will be used.
- d) A secondary competition will be played over the first two rounds. Competitors achieving the best net score in their geographical region will receive a trophy. In the event of a tie after two rounds for a regional trophy, the winner will be decided on the lowest net score for the last 18 holes (or 9 or 6 or 3 or 1 hole with handicaps reduced accordingly). If a tie still arises, the 1<sup>st</sup> round will be treated in the same way until a decision is reached.
- e) The Modified Rules for Players with Disabilities are in effect. To allow The R&A time to consider an application, a golfer who wishes to play under the Modified Rules should contact [amateurentries@randa.org](mailto:amateurentries@randa.org) at the time of entry, and no later than 7 days prior to Monday 13 July, to advise of their wish to use the Modified Rules.
- f) The Model Local Rules in the Official Guide to the Rules of Golf are in effect regarding Conforming Golf Balls.
- g) Model Local Rule G-6 is in effect. A player must not ride on any form of motorised transportation except as authorised or later approved by the Committee. The R&A will only consider requests for use of motorised transportation where (i) the player making the request has a disability and (ii) the player can demonstrate that there is a medical need for transportation that results from that disability. Any requests by a player to use any form of transportation must be made not less than 60 days in advance of the Championship. All requests must be made in accordance with the procedures outlined in The R&A's Transportation Policy, available on request from The R&A.
- h) A player is prohibited from having a caddie during a round. Penalty for Breach of Local Rule:  
  
The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which he/ she is helped by a caddie.  
  
If the breach happens or continues between two holes, the player gets the general penalty for the next hole.  
  
A player having a caddie in breach of this Local Rule must, immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred, ensure that he/she conforms with this Local Rule for the remainder of the round. Otherwise the player is disqualified.
- i) A copy of the Pace of Play Policy will be posted at the Championship venue.

## **3. PRIZES**

- a) The winner will become the R&A Junior Open Champion and receive the Championship Trophy. The runner up and the third placed competitor will receive trophies.
- b) Secondary regional net competitions played over the first two rounds, and how their winners are determined, are described in detail 2d) above.
- c) It is a term of the Championship that a competitor may not be awarded more than one trophy. In such a case, the

regional trophy will be awarded to the competitor returning the next best score.

#### **4. GENERAL**

- a) The R&A will not be liable for any loss, damage, cost or expense suffered by an affiliate which was not reasonably foreseeable when participation was confirmed after the closing date, and/or was not directly caused by The R&A.
- b) If a competitor acts contrary to the spirit of the game, the Committee will take appropriate action which may include reporting the facts to the competitor's registered R&A affiliate. If the competitor is considered to have committed serious misconduct, the competitor may be disqualified.
- c) All competitors are subject to the provisions of The R&A's Anti-Corruption and Betting Policy in force at the date of the Championship.
- d) The R&A seeks media coverage and publicity for the R&A Junior Open around and during the Championship in the press and by live and recorded radio and television broadcasting and filming and on the internet. Each competitor by entering the Championship and thereby agreeing to these Terms of Competition assigns to The R&A and its assignees and licensees the right in perpetuity throughout the world to make, use, edit, exhibit and reproduce in any way now known or hereafter devised for commercial and/or other purposes from time to time and at their discretion, motion pictures, still pictures, live taped or filmed television, sound recordings and any other reproductions of any description of the competitor and/or their caddie (if applicable) made during or in connection with the Championship (including, without limitation, during practice and play) without compensation for the competitor or caddie or the heirs, successors, executors, administrators or assignees of the competitor or caddie. The competitor also assigns to The R&A the right to use and reproduce the competitor and/or their caddie's name, voice, likeness and biographical material in any way now known or hereafter devised, without compensation for the competitor or caddie or the heirs, successors, executors, administrators or assignees of the competitor or caddie including in circumstances where it may include the logo of a third party or of a sponsor or patron of the Championship or any subsequent Championship or any other activities undertaken by The R&A. Competitors shall be responsible for ensuring that they hold all the necessary rights to grant the above assignments, including appropriate agreements with their caddies. Notwithstanding the foregoing grant of rights, The R&A and its assignees and licensees agree that, other than as permitted above, they will not authorise any company contractually associated with The R&A to use the competitor's or caddie's name, voice, likeness and biographical material in a way which constitutes the endorsement of a product or service, without first requiring such associated company to obtain the competitor's authorisation. The R&A may also use any image of the competitor taken at the Championship to populate the relevant pages of the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING® website at [wagr.com](http://wagr.com).
- e) The Committee's objective is to complete the Championship as per the format outlined in these Terms of Competition. The Committee reserves the right to amend these Terms of Competition at any time, including the right to arrange and/or alter starting times. The decision of the Committee is final in all matters.
- f) These Terms of Competition will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the law of Scotland.

**IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EACH R&A AFFILIATE TO ENSURE THEIR NOMINATED COMPETITOR(S) COMPLIES WITH THE TERMS OF COMPETITION FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP.**