

R&A
THE AMATEUR
CHAMPIONSHIP

25 – 30 August 2020

ROYAL BIRKDALE
Waterloo Road, Southport, PR8 2LX

INFORMATION FOR COMPETITORS

These notes are compiled to give you information about the Championship - please read them carefully. Should you have any additional queries please do not hesitate to contact amateurentries@randa.org

1. COVID-19

At this time, due to the Covid-19 pandemic, access to the venue will be restricted. Spectators and caddies will not be permitted. You must refer to the [Covid-19 guidelines](#)

Competitors must comply with any instructions or further guidance issued by The R&A in relation to the event. This includes any travel and quarantine restrictions in place.

Restrictions remain under constant review and further updates will follow as deemed appropriate.

2. OFFICIAL PRACTICE DAY

The official practice day is:

Monday 24 August 7:30am – 3.00pm

On confirmation of your place in the field, you will be allocated a practice time by The R&A. This allocated time will be your only opportunity to play the course on the official practice day. You will be notified of this practice time by email. It will also be available online.

Entry to the venue will be restricted. The practice facilities and clubhouse will not be available to competitors prior to Monday 24 August at 6.30am (first official practice day).

On completion of your practice round you should leave the venue as soon as practicable.

3. PRACTICE FACILITIES

The practice ground and putting green must only be used for warm up.

The facilities will be available to you from 1 hour prior to your tee time. You will be allocated a time slot and access will be strictly controlled.

You may not use the practice range or putting green after your round and you should leave the venue as

soon as practicable.

The short game areas will be closed.

Competitors using any of the practice facilities do so at their own risk.

4. ACCOMMODATION / TRAVEL / PARKING

Local accommodation options are listed within the following websites;

<http://visitliverpool.com/accommodation>

<https://www.hotelsnearthegolfcourses.co.uk/hotels-near/royal-birkdale-golf-club-merseyside>

The nearest airport and approximate drive time to Royal Birkdale Golf Club is Liverpool John Lennon Airport. It is 45km (45 minutes traffic permitting). Manchester Airport is 70km from the golf club (1-hour traffic permitting).

The nearest train station is Birkdale.

Liverpool Ferry Port is 25km from the golf club and an approximate 30-minute drive (traffic permitting).

5. DRAW FOR THE QUALIFYING ROUNDS

The draw for the qualifying rounds will be published in advance of the Championship and will be emailed to you. The draw will also be available on The R&A website www.randa.org

Please note that it is the responsibility of the competitor to ascertain their tee time.

6. QUALIFYING PLACES

All 64 qualifying places will be determined by a card count back.

7. CADDIES / TROLLEY HIRE

Caddies are not permitted including during the practice round.

Complimentary sanitised pull trolleys will be available for competitors courtesy of The R&A.

8. COMPETITORS' LOCKER ROOM

Locker rooms cannot be accessed to store belongings, to change or to shower. Players are advised to arrive in golf attire and to change their footwear at their car.

9. SPECTATOR CODE

Spectators will not be permitted during the Championship.

Players under the age of 18 years may apply to The R&A, in advance, for permission for a guardian to be permitted access to the venue.

Certified Federation coaches may be permitted access to the venue by prior agreement with The R&A.

10. WITHDRAWALS

Competitors should advise Angus McBride of the R&A Amateur Championships Department if they have to withdraw from the Championship, Tel: +44 (0)1334 213 400 or Email amateurentries@randa.org.

11. CONTACT INFORMATION

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The R&A Office (St Andrews)

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The R&A website

www.randa.org

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Programme of Events

(N.B. This programme including times may be subject to change)

Monday 24 August	Official Practice Day (3 balls) Registration of Competitors	7.30am– 2.54pm approx. Closes at 3.00pm
Tuesday 25 August	Qualifying Round 1 (3 balls)	7.30am – 2.54pm approx.
Wednesday 26 August	Qualifying Round 2 (3 balls)	7.30am – 2.54pm approx.
Thursday 27 August	Match play 1 st Rnd	7.30 – 12.30pm approx.
Friday 28 August	Match play 2 nd Rnd Match play 3 rd Rnd	7.30am – 9.45am 1.10pm – 2.40pm
Saturday 29 August	Quarter Finals Semi Finals	8.15am – 9.00am 1.00pm and 1.30pm
Sunday 30 August	Final (36 holes) Prize Presentation	8.30am and 1.00pm 5.00pm approx.