

The 2018 Girls' Under 16 Open Championship

FULFORD

27 – 29 April 2018

Closing Date for Entries Wednesday 4 April 2018

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 and conditions ('Conditions'). References in these conditions to decisions of the Committee are to decisions taken by the Amateur Events Committee on behalf of The R&A. It is the responsibility of each competitor to ensure that she has read and complies with these Conditions.
- b) The Championship shall be open to players of the female gender under the age of 16 at 00.00 hours on 1 January 2018 who i) are members of a recognised golf club; ii) have Amateur Status in accordance with the current Amateur Status Rules of R&A Rules Limited and iii) hold a current CONGU Competition Handicap or overseas equivalent, at date of entry.
- c) One entry per player must be submitted electronically via the R&A website www.randa.org and must be received by close of entries i.e. 23:59hrs GMT on Wednesday 4 April 2018. Entries by telephone will not be accepted. It is the entrants' responsibility to ensure that her online entry is completed successfully, and all contact details are accurate. Late entries will not be accepted. In the event of duplicate entries being submitted, the first entry will be used for all purposes. Duplicate entry fees that have been collected by The R&A will be refunded but may be subject to the deduction of a £10 sterling administration fee. Entry fees will be refunded if intimation of withdrawal is received on or before close of entries. Please note a service charge of £10 sterling may be deducted. After close of entries, entry fees will only be refunded in full to entrants who do not gain a place in the starting field. Any refund of entry fees will be issued within 28 days of the final day of the Championship by the method of initial payment. If an entrant withdraws before or after the closure of entries, their withdrawal is final, and re-entry will not be permitted.
- d) Players may notify The R&A of any reduction in handicap before the closing date for entries. It is the responsibility of the player to ensure that their exact handicap is up to date and any handicap changes have been received and subsequently adjusted prior to the closing date. Any alterations must be notified by email to The R&A Amateur Events Department (amateurentries@randa.org). The handicap at the closing date will be used for the purposes of the ballot and subsequent handicap changes will be disregarded. Those entrants balloted out will be placed on a waiting list in order of handicap at close of entry. Unsuccessful entrants will have their entry fees refunded.
- e) Competitors holding 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 player's 'Home' club must and will be used for all purposes. Penalty for failure to enter in compliance with this condition – Disqualification.
- f) Acceptance of an online entry does not guarantee a place in the starting field. Players successful in gaining a place in the starting field will be advised after the entry closing date. The R&A will not be liable to pay any money to you by way of compensation for any cost or expense incurred prior to the starting field being confirmed.
- g) All entries are subject to the approval of the Committee, which reserves the right to disqualify any competitor making a false statement on her online entry and to accept or refuse or, having accepted, subsequently reject any entry without giving reason for its decision.
- h) All players must compete in the Championship in its entirety. Failure to do so may result in future entries being rejected.
- i) All players 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 International Golf Federation's website (www.igf.com). Players who are taking medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from the R&A or the 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 comprise 90 players. In the event of entries exceeding this number, the 90 players with the lowest Exact Handicaps will be accepted. In the event of a tie, the 90th place shall be decided by ballot, which shall take place immediately after the entries closing date. Those entrants balloted out will be placed on a waiting list. Unsuccessful entrants will have their entry fees refunded.
- b) The Committee reserves the right to exempt a player.

- c) A competitor whose withdrawal is not notified by close of registration or who is absent from the Championship without notice of her withdrawal will have her entries to all R&A Championships rejected for the next calendar year. Exceptions may be made in case of sickness and other special circumstances at the discretion of the Committee. When a competitor has withdrawn due to sickness or injury she must submit an authorised medical certificate to the Amateur Entries Department within seven days otherwise the competitor shall be liable to have future entries scrutinised which may result in them being rejected. If an entrant withdraws before or after the closure of entries, their withdrawal is final and re-entry will not be allowed.
- d) Competitors must register in person with the R&A on site, no later than 1400 hours on the day prior to commencement of the Championship. Penalty for Breach - Disqualification. Telephone calls may be accepted in exceptional circumstances. Each competitor must produce a current CONGU Handicap Certificate, or overseas equivalent, at registration. Penalty for failure to produce verification of current handicap before completion of the first round – Disqualification.
- e) Players must be of the female gender and have been female at birth or have had the female gender assigned. For the avoidance of doubt, The R&A reserves the right to carry out a confidential case-by-case evaluation at any time either prior to or after the Championship if in its reasonable opinion such an evaluation is or becomes necessary. Any player in breach of this condition may be disqualified.
- f) The Championship shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited and the Local Rules as approved by the Committee.
- g) The specimen conditions in the Rules of Golf are in effect regarding Conforming Driver Heads and Conforming Golf Balls. The specimen condition in Decision 4-1/1 of Decision on the Rules of Golf is in effect for Grooves and Punch Marks.
- h) Competitors shall walk at all times during a stipulated round and must not ride on any form of transportation unless permitted to ride by the Committee.
- i) A player is prohibited from having a caddie during the stipulated round. Penalty for Breach of Condition:
Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.
In the event of a breach between the play of two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.
A player having a caddie in breach of this condition must immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred ensure that she conforms with this condition for the remainder of the stipulated round. Otherwise the player is disqualified
- j) A copy of the pace of play conditions will be posted at the Championship venue and will be available on request.
- k) The Championship shall consist of 54 holes stroke play. One round of 18 holes shall be played on each day. The groups and starting times for the second round shall be determined by the scores on the first day, players with the lowest scores starting first. The pairings and starting times for the final round shall be determined by the 36 hole total with the players with the lowest scores starting last. There will be no cut.

2. PRIZES

- a) The Angela Uzielli Trophy shall be awarded to the player returning the lowest score for the 54 holes. The winner shall be The Girls' Under 16 Open Champion and shall also receive a silver medal and a voucher. In the event of a tie for the Championship there shall be a hole-by-hole play-off immediately after the final card has been returned to determine the winner.
Vouchers shall be awarded to the players in 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions.
- b) The Liz Pook Trophy shall be awarded to the player under 14 years of age returning the lowest score for the 54 holes. The winner shall also receive a voucher.
- c) A voucher shall be awarded to the player under 12 years of age returning the lowest score for the 54 holes.
- d) A voucher shall be awarded to the player returning the lowest 18 hole score in each round of the Championship
- e) All ties, except in determining the winner of the Championship, shall 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 (followed by 9, 6, 3 or 1 of that round) will be used. If a tie still arises, the 18 hole first round score (followed by 9, 6, 3, or 1 of that round) will be used.
- f) In the event of an unresolved tie, voucher values will be shared equally.
- g) A player who does not record an apology for her absence at the prize presentation shall not receive her voucher. The voucher shall be donated to Charity.

4. GENERAL

- a) The R&A will not be liable to pay any money to you by way of compensation for any loss, damage, cost or expense suffered by you which was not reasonably foreseeable when your participation was confirmed after the closing date, and/or was not caused by The R&A.

- b) If a player is found to have breached Etiquette, the Committee will take appropriate action which may include reporting the facts to the player's Federation/National Association. If the breach is considered to be serious, the player 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) R&A Championships Limited seeks media coverage and publicity for the Girls' Under 16 Open Championship around and during the Championship via both the written press and via broadcast and audio-visual media. Each competitor by entering the Championship and by agreeing to these terms and conditions assigns to R&A Championships Limited and its assignees and licensees the right in perpetuity throughout the world to make, use, edit, exhibit and reproduce (and to authorise others to do so) in any and all media (whether Press, radio, television, internet or otherwise), whether now known or hereafter devised for commercial and/or other purposes from time to time and at their discretion, any and all pictures, coverage, recordings and any other reproductions of any description of the competitor made during or in connection with the Championship (including, without limitation, during practice and play) without compensation for the competitor or the heirs, successors, executors, administrators or assignees of the competitor. The competitor also assigns the right to use and reproduce their name, voice, likeness and biographical material in any way now known or hereafter devised by R&A Championships Limited for the purpose of promoting the Championship and any subsequent Championships, without compensation for the competitor or the heirs, successors, executors, administrators or assignees of the competitor 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 R&A Championships Limited. Competitors shall be responsible for ensuring that their caddies (if applicable) will assign to R&A Championships Limited and its successors and licensees equivalent rights in relation to the caddie. Notwithstanding the foregoing grant of rights, R&A Championships Limited and its assignees and licensees agree that, other than as permitted above, they will not authorise any company contractually associated with R&A Championships Limited to use the competitor'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. R&A Championships Limited 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
- e) All Championship information including a list of accepted entries may be viewed at www.randa.org
- f) The Committee's objective is to complete the Championship as per the format outlined in these Conditions. The Committee reserves the right to amend these Conditions at any time including the right to arrange and/or alter starting times. The decision of the Committee is final in all matters.
- g) These Conditions will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the law of Scotland.

MARTIN SLUMBERS *Chief Executive*

Participant Privacy Policy

This policy contains important information about how we use your personal information when you enter and participate in an R&A championship or team event or if you make a scholarship application or an application for reinstatement to Amateur Status to The R&A. We have tried to keep it simple, so please take the time to read this policy in full to understand our practices regarding your personal information. This policy was last updated in February 2018.

For the purposes of applicable UK and EU data protection laws, R&A Championships Limited (SC247047) is the data controller for use of personal information for R&A championships and team events. R&A Rules Limited (SC247046) is the data controller for scholarship and Amateur Status reinstatement applications. R&A Championships Limited and R&A Rules Limited will share your personal information with their group companies and their suppliers for the purposes set out below only. The references to "we", "us", "our" and "The R&A" in this policy are to any and all of these organisations.

If you would like to contact us in connection with this Participant Privacy Policy, you can do so by:

- emailing us at privacy@randa.org; or
- writing to us at F.A.O. Data Protection Officer, R&A Championships Limited, Beach House, Golf Place, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9JA.

I am applying to enter an R&A championship

We collect personal information about you that we need to process your entry to the championship. We collect this information from you via the online entry process or if we ask you to provide further information. This information includes your contact details, date of birth, nationality, your handicap (if you are an amateur) and your golf club or attachment.

We use the personal information that you provide during the entry process to:

- contact you to confirm that we have received your entry and to process your entry and assess whether you meet the eligibility criteria for the championship;
- process the payment details you provided for payment of your entry fee for the championship. We will retain your payment details for such period as may be necessary to allow us to process any refund of your entry fee that may be due to you;
- group you together with other entrants to determine the starting field and reserve list for the championship; and
- contact you if we have any queries about your entry and to notify you if you have been successful or unsuccessful in gaining a place in the starting field or if you have been placed on the reserve list for the championship.

Our legal basis for processing your personal information for the above purposes is that it is necessary for our relationship with you established by your entry to the championship. The R&A cannot process your entry to the championship if you do not provide the information required by the entry process.

For entrants under 18 years of age only, we may use your parent/guardian's details provided during the entry process to contact them to verify the details on your entry. We do this with the parent/guardian's consent provided on your online entry form.

We maintain a historical archive and record of entries to R&A championships. For these purposes, we retain a copy of all entry forms submitted for a championship indefinitely. It is in the legitimate interests of The R&A as the organiser of long-standing, prestigious golf competitions to maintain a historical archive of entries to those competitions.

To keep you updated, we may also use information provided on your entry to provide you with information on Rules updates or similar information regarding the sport of golf including via email. This is not only beneficial for you but it is in the legitimate interests of The R&A in its governing body role for the sport of golf, to communicate Rules changes and developments in the sport of golf.

I am a competitor in an R&A championship

If you are a competitor in an R&A championship, we collect and use the following personal information about you:

- information provided by you as part of the entry process for the championship;
- additional information you provide to us during the registration process at the championship by returning the competitor registration form;
- images and video footage of you taken during your participation in the R&A championship or other R&A championships and events;
- occasionally, we may collect information about you from publicly available websites;
- if you submit a Transportation Request Form. For details about information collected via the Transportation Request Form and how it is used, please see the section below on "I have submitted a Transportation Request Form".

We use your personal information as a competitor:

- to process your participation in the championship;
- to publish the starting fields and reserve lists on www.randa.org and to contact you with further information about your participation in the championship;
- to publish the live scoring and final results of the R&A championship;
- for the purposes of television, radio, written press and online media coverage and publicity of the R&A championship including as part of television, radio and other interviews you may be asked to give as part of your participation in the championship;
- to promote the R&A championship, other R&A championships and other R&A events, to promote The R&A and its activities and to illustrate The R&A's work in golf, e.g. golf development activities and education. This includes use of images and footage of you taken at the R&A championship or other R&A championships and events;
- to provide personal data to the golf club hosting the R&A championship as required for the purposes of hosting the championship;
- to confirm your participation and provide your scores from the R&A championship to your golf club/attachment; and
- if applicable, to provide your personal information to the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™ to update the rankings and player profiles on www.wagr.com. This will include your date of birth only if you have given your consent for this on the entry form for an R&A amateur championship. Please see www.wagr.com for more information.

We may also share your personal information collected and used as a competitor of the R&A championship with our patrons, sponsors and partners for their use for the above purposes only.

Our legal basis for processing your personal information for the above purposes is that it is necessary for our relationship with you established by your participation in the championship. For providing your personal information to the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™, our legal basis is that it is necessary for the legitimate interests of the operation, improvement and expansion of the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™ and www.wagr.com.

On the competitor registration form, we also collect medical information only for the purposes of allowing medical assistance to be given to you if necessary during the championship. We obtain your explicit consent for this but this personal information is also required to protect your vital interests.

For competitors under 18 years of age only, we may use your parent/guardian's details provided on the competitor registration form to contact them to verify the details on form.

Retention periods:

- The competitor registration forms and the emergency contacts details and medical information contained on those forms are retained until after the championship and are destroyed no later than 31 December of that year.
- The other information shall be retained for as long as it is required for the purposes above.

I am competing in an R&A team event

We collect personal information about you that we need as part of your selection and participation in an R&A team event, such as the Vagliano Trophy. We collect this information from national golf federations, via the team member registration form and from publicly available websites. This information includes your contact details, date of birth, nationality and your golf club or attachment.

We use your personal information as a team member:

- to contact you to inform you that you have been selected as a team member and to confirm this to your national golf federation and golf club;
- for the purposes of your travel to and from and participation in the R&A team event including to arrange your travel to and from the R&A team event;
- to publish the starting fields and reserve lists on www.randa.org and to contact you with further information about your participation in the championship;
- to publish the team selection, the live scoring and final results of the R&A team event;
- for the purposes of television, radio, written press and online media coverage and publicity of the R&A team event including as part of television, radio and other interviews you may be asked to give as part of your participation in the team event;
- to promote the R&A team event, other R&A championships and other R&A events, to promote The R&A and its activities and to illustrate The R&A's work in golf, e.g. golf development activities and education. This includes use of images and footage of you taken at the R&A team event or other R&A championships and events;
- to provide personal data to the golf club hosting the R&A team event as required for the purposes of hosting the event;
- if applicable, to provide your personal information to the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™ to update the rankings and player profiles on www.wagr.com. This will include your date of birth only if you have given your consent for this on the entry form for an R&A amateur championship. Please see www.wagr.com for more information.

We may also share your personal information collected and used as a competitor in an R&A team event with our patrons, sponsors and partners for their use for the above purposes only.

Our legal basis for processing your personal information for the above purposes is that it is necessary for our relationship with you established by your participation in the team event. For providing your personal information to the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™, our legal basis is that it is necessary for the legitimate interests of the operation, improvement and expansion of the WORLD AMATEUR GOLF RANKING™ and www.wagr.com.

On the team member registration form, we also collect medical information only for the purposes of allowing medical assistance to be given to you if necessary during your travel to and from and participation in the team event. We obtain your explicit consent for this but this personal information is also required to protect your vital interests.

For competitors under 18 years of age only, we may use your parent/guardian's details provided on the team member registration form to contact them to verify the details on form.

Retention periods:

- The team member registration forms and the emergency contacts details and medical and disability information contained on those forms are retained until after the team event and are destroyed no later than 31 December of that year.
- The other information shall be retained for as long as it is required for the purposes above.

To keep you updated, we may also use information provided on your team member registration form to provide you with information on Rules updates or similar information regarding the sport of golf including via email. This is not only beneficial for you but it is in the legitimate interests of The R&A in its governing body role for the sport of golf, to communicate Rules changes and developments in the sport of golf.

I have submitted a Transportation Request Form

If you submit a Transportation Request Form to request permission to ride or use a form of transportation during an R&A championship or team event, we will use the information provided on that Form and in any supporting documentation to assess and process your request in accordance with that Form. Our legal basis for processing this information is your explicit consent and this information will be held until after the R&A championship or team event and will be destroyed no later than three months after the R&A championship or team event.

I am applying for a scholarship from The R&A

We use the personal information provided on a scholarship application form to process your application, to contact you in connection with your application and, if you are successful, to provide you with the award.

Our legal basis for processing your personal information provided on a scholarship application is that it is necessary for our relationship with you established by your scholarship application. The R&A cannot process your application if you do not provide the information required by the form.

If your application is successful, we provide your personal information to the administrator specified on your application form for the purposes of payment of the award to you.

We retain unsuccessful scholarship applications for a period of five years and we retain successful applications for a period of seven years from the date of the award of the scholarship.

I am applying to be reinstated to Amateur Status

We use the personal information provided on an application form to process your application in accordance with Procedure for Reinstatement of Amateur Status and to contact you about your application including to inform you of the outcome.

Our legal basis for processing your personal information provided on an application form is that it is necessary for our relationship with you established by your application. The R&A cannot process your application if you do not provide the information required by the form.

We provide details of your application to your home union and the professional association that you are a member of to allow them to support your application.

We retain successful and unsuccessful applications indefinitely in order to monitor your changes in professional status.

I want to know my data protection rights

Data protection legislation in the EU and UK provides individuals with certain rights regarding the use of their personal information.

If you would like to contact us to exercise your rights, please contact us using the contact details at the beginning of this privacy policy.

You have the right to:

- access the personal information that we hold about you in many circumstances;
- ask us to delete or correct any personal information that we hold about you;
- prevent us processing your personal information;
- port your personal information in certain circumstances;
- not be subject to a solely automated decision;
- withdraw any consent that you have given. This does not affect the lawfulness of processing based on consent before withdrawal; and

- lodge a complaint with the UK regulator, the Information Commissioner's Office, if you have concerns about how we use your personal information. Please see <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/> to find out more.

Overseas transfers

Your personal information may be transferred to, and stored in, countries outside of the UK and EU for the above purposes. The R&A will take steps to ensure your personal information is adequately protected in countries outside of the UK and EU. Please contact us if you would like more details on safeguards used by The R&A to protect personal information for these transfers.