

Women in Golf Charter



The PGAs of Europe are committed to encouraging more women to play, coach and work within golf.

We have benchmarked the number of female professionals across our Member PGAs and also those involved within the governance and management of them. We are committed to advancing these numbers over the coming years.

We will provide international expertise to enable more women to Start, Stay and Succeed in Golf and share good practice across our Member PGAs and beyond.

In addition, the PGAs of Europe pledges:

1.

To benchmark the number and percentage of female members across our Member PGAs and use our best endeavours to increase the number of female PGA Professionals.

- We have collected information on the number of females holding PGA membership in our Member PGAs and continue to track the progress of this.
- We will showcase female PGA Professionals who have been successful in the Profession.

2.

To actively support and promote leading programmes that encourage increased female participation in golf.

- We are partnering with leading initiatives and programmes and encouraging our member PGAs to adopt good practice. E.g Love.Golf
- We have started an Ambassador programme through the use of Female celebrities to highlight the enjoyment of golf. E.g Jenni Falconer

3.

Actively seek increased involvement of women across the governance and delivery team of the PGAs of Europe and encourage our Member PGAs to do likewise.

- We have collected information on the number of females involved in the Boards, Committees and Management teams of our Member PGAs for a number of years.
- We use mentoring activity to guide the strategy and development of our National PGAs.
- We are seeking appropriately qualified females to join our Golf Development Team.

4.

To hold a number of educational events, both live and on-line, that share good practice on coaching women and encouraging more women to start, stay and succeed in golf.

- In 2018 we will run our inaugural Women's Coaching Conference.
- We will use our A.S.K platform to share good practice.

5.

Ensure playing opportunities for female PGA Professionals through open entry into sanctioned Pro-Ams and seek to raise sponsorship to stage a Women's PGA Professional Championship of Europe and Mixed tournaments.

- All PGAs of Europe tournaments are open to both male and female professionals and the majority apply a regulation to use a course that is 10-14% shorter for female Professionals in an effort to ensure fairness of competition.
- It is a strategic priority to add a Women's PGA Professional Championship to our schedule as soon as possible.