

TMCC STROKEPLAY CHAMPIONSHIP 2024

Sunday, 15 September 2024	1 st Round	Garden Course	PM Session
Saturday, 21 September 2024	2 nd Round	Tampines Course	AM Session
Sunday, 22 September 2024	3 rd Round	Tampines Course	AM Session

1. GENERAL

The rules of the competitions shall be those currently adopted by the USGA, R&A, SGA and the Club's local rules.

The Club Management shall have the final decision in all competitions.

2. ELIGIBILITY AND ENTRY FEE

Only Tanah Merah Country Club (TMCC) members are eligible for this competition. The eligibility of the entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Club.

Competition entry fee is \$32.70 nett per player.

Buggy Fee \$34.88 nett per round per player.

3. SIZE OF FIELD

The Field size and divisions of the competitions shall be determined solely by the Club.

4. CLOSING DATE: 1 September 2024 (5pm)

5. CANCELLATION POLICY

Cancellation without charge is permitted by 3 September 2024 at 5PM. Should a player withdraw after the specified date, the full entry fee will be chargeable.

6. HANDICAP INDEX

Players handicap indexes as of 1st September 2024 shall apply for all rounds. Handicap Index with Excessive Penalty Scores will not be accepted.

It is the responsibility of the player to check and declare their correct handicap index in all competitions at the point of registration. No amendment shall be made on the scorecard after it has been submitted to the Club official.

7. DRAWLIST

- Unless the Club otherwise decides, no competitor may play in a flight or at a time slot other than that fixed by the Club.
- In the event of a cancellation, the Club reserves the right to re-draw and prior to 1st round include players from the reserve/wait list in the slots available.
- The draw for the 1st round shall be based on the handicap index of players, and for succeeding rounds will be based on the cumulative gross scores of the preceding rounds.

8. DIVISIONS AND TEE BOX

MEN DIVISIONS	ROUNDS	HANDICAP INDEX	TEE	
Club Championship	3	HI 7.0 and below		
Mid-Championship	3	HI 7.1 to 10.0	Blue Tee	
Intermediate Championship	3	HI 10.1 to 24.4		
LADIES DIVISIONS	ROUNDS	HANDICAP INDEX	TEE	
Ladies Club Championship	3	HI 13.5 and below		
Ladies Intermediate Championship	3	HI 13.6 to 24.4	Red Tee	

There must be a minimum of 6 players in a division, in the event this is not the case the Tournament Committee will review and adjust division handicap index range.

9. WINNERS AND PRIZES MEN DIVISIONS

- TMCC Men's Strokeplay Overall Strokeplay Champion will be awarded to the player with lowest aggregate gross score from the Men's Championship, Mid-Championship and Men's Intermediate Championship.
- Winner and Runner-up based on lowest aggregate Gross will be awarded to each of the Men's Divisions
- Overall Best Nett Winner based on lowest aggregate nett will be awarded to each
 of the Men's Divisions.

 No winner can win more than one prize. The Overall Winner will take precedence over the divisional results. The Division Winner and Runner-up will take precedence over the overall best nett results.

LADIES DIVISIONS

- Overall Winner and Runner-up based on lowest aggregate Gross will be awarded to each of the Ladies' Divisions. Winner and Runner-up are not eligible to win the overall best nett.
- Overall Best Nett will be awarded to each of the Ladies Divisions.
- There will be a Daily Best Nett winner for each round. Winner of this category must complete the 3 rounds of the competition to be eligible to win the daily best nett prize.

10. DECISION OF TIES

In the event of a tie for the Overall Strokeplay Champion, 30-minutes after completion of play, tied players will proceed to a sudden death playoff until a winner is decided. The designated hole for the play off will be decided by the Tournament Committee.

In the event if a play-off is not feasible or practicable for the overall strokeplay champion, committee shall have the right to decide. The decision of the Tournament Committee shall be final.

Ties for all other divisions shall be decided by TMCC's countback system.

11. PRIZE PRESENTATION

All prize winners will be invited to the club's annual golf and sports prize presentation event "Champions Golf & Dinner" on Sunday 3 November 2024 at Tampines Course.

12. TIME OF STARTING

The schedules of starting times for all competitions shall be fixed by the Club Management.

- Unless otherwise stated or due to unforeseen circumstances such as inclement weather, player must start at the tee time established by the Club.
- In the event of prolonged inclement weather, the Tournament Director reserves the right to amend a shotgun start.
- Tee-off shall be in the order as indicated on the drawlist.
- If the player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after players starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes for the first hole in stroke play. Otherwise, the penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.
- Exception: There is no penalty when the Club determines that exceptional circumstances have prevented a player from starting on time.

13. PACE OF PLAY

- The 'Individual Pace of Play' policy shall apply. Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based upon the length and difficulty of the hole. The maximum time allotted for the completion of 18 holes may be obtained from the Golf Office if required. The pace of play timing will be strictly enforced.
- Teeing Area/General Area the timing of a player's stroke will begin when he or she
 has had reasonable opportunity to reach his or her ball, it is his or her turn to play,
 and he or she is able play without interference or distraction. Time spent determining
 yardage counts as time taken for the stroke.
- On the putting green, timing of a player's stroke will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean, and replace his or her ball, repair his or her ball mark, spike marks, damage, and/or remove loose impediments on his or her line of putt. Time spent looking at the line of putt from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.
- Rulings or other incidents if a ruling or some other legitimate delay occurs which causes the group in question to lose its position, that group is expected to regain its position within a reasonable time.
- Penalty for breaching the pace of play policy:
 - a. First bad time: Reminder from the Club Official (e.g. Marshal, golf ops staff)
- b. Second bad time: Verbal warning from the Club Officials
- c. Third bad time: One (1) stroke penalty
- d. Fourth bad time: Additional two (2) penalty strokes for stroke play
- e. Fifth bad time: Disqualification

Note: If a group being timed regains its proper position, any previous "bad timings" will be carried over for the remainder of that round in the event that group requires additional timing.

14. SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION (NOTE TO RULE 5.7)

A suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signalled using the club's siren system. Penalty for Breach of Rule 5.7b is Disqualification.

All practice areas that are in open areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Club has declared them open.

15. DISCONTINUANCE OF PLAY

In the event that inclement weather conditions prevent competitors from completing a round, play shall stop when the Discontinue Play Siren signal is initiated.

In the event that the first round of the tournament cannot be completed, it shall be abandoned.

In the event that the second round of the tournament cannot be completed, it shall be abandoned.

In the event that the third round cannot be completed, the rounds shall be abandoned. The result of the tournament will then be based on the completed round(s). (Minimum of 18 holes one round) results will be needed to determine the winners.

In the event that the 18 holes cannot be completed, the championship will be postponed until further notice.

At any time, if the Club Management considers that for any reason the course is not in a playable condition or due to unforeseen circumstances that completion of the round is deemed impossible, it may order a temporary suspension of play or declare play null and void and cancel all scores for the round in question.

Round 1, cut-off time is 7:15PM or the sunset timing based on the National Environment Agency, whichever is later.

In the event of inclement weather during Round 2 & 3, all flights must crossover by 12:30PM, subsequently the Round will be abandoned.

The decision of the Club Management will be final.

16. DISPUTES OR DOUBTS AS TO PROCEDURE

The Club Official shall have and make the final ruling for any tournament rule dispute.

17. SUBMISSION OF SCORECARD

Scorecards are to be verified, signed and submitted immediately after the completion of players round. Any scorecard not submitted to the scoring area within 20 minutes after the stipulated time will be considered a "No Card" status (NC). Late scorecard submission may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Club.

18. POSTING OF SCORECARD FOR HANDICAPPING

All the valid competition scores will be submitted to SGA Centralised Handicapping System (CHS) by the Club. There is no need for competitors to post their scores in the CHS.

19. CADDIE

A player is prohibited from using a caddie during the stipulated round.

20. CONDUCT OF PLAYERS

All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship at all times, irrespective of how competitive they may be.

Any action contrary to the spirit of the game such as abusive language, throwing of clubs, or other disruptive behaviours, will not be tolerated and may result in a player not being able to continue in the competition.

21. INDEMNITY CLAUSE

All participants agree to indemnify and hold the Club harmless against from all claims, losses, expenses, damages, injuries or death of persons in any manner during the competition.

22. PERSONAL DATA PROTECTION ACT (PDPA)

All participants shall give the consent to the collection, use and disclosure of event photos for TMCC Marketing purposes including via the TMCC website, club newsletters, club magazine or TMCC social media channels.

He/she is aware and agree to the TMCC's Privacy Policy at https://www.tmcc.org.sg/privacy-policy/which may be updated from time to time.

23. AMENDMENTS TO CONDITIONS

The Club reserves the right to amend these competition conditions.