

# TMCC SENIOR STROKEPLAY CHAMPIONSHIP

# **Terms of Competition (TOC)**

SCHEDULE (PM TIMESHEET)			
1st Round	Saturday, 26 April 2025	Garden Course	
2nd Round	Sunday, 27 April 2025	Tampines Course	

# **1. GENERAL RULES**

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

- Open to members who are aged 50 years and above on the first round of the competition (on 26 April 2025) with HI 24.0 & below for Men and HI 32.0 & below for ladies.
- The eligibility of the entries may be accepted at the sole discretion of the Club.
- Handicap Index with Excessive Penalty Scores will not be accepted.
- Entry fee is \$32.70 nett per player. Buggy Fee \$34.88 nett per player. Prices are inclusive of 9% GST.

# 3. CLOSING DATE AND CANCELLATION POLICY

#### Closing Date: 14 April 2025, 5pm

Cancellation: Cancellation without charge is permitted by 16 April 2025 at 5pm. Should a player withdraw after the specified date, entry fee of \$32.70 nett will be chargeable. No Show fee of \$272.50 is applicable to players who did not show-up.

# **4. HANDICAP INDEX**

Players handicap indexes as of 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 shall apply for all rounds. It is the responsibility of the player to check and declare their correct handicap index in all competitions at the point of registration.

# 5. 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 1<sup>st</sup> round include players from the reserve/wait list in the slots available.
- The draw for the competition for the 1<sup>st</sup> 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.

# 6. DIVISIONS (Age as of 1<sup>st</sup> Round of the Championship on 26 April 2025)

Men's Divisions	Age	HCP Index	
Senior Division	50 to 65 years	H.I 24.0 & below	
Super Senior	66 years & above	Tee-off White Tees	
Ladies' Divisions	Age	HCP Index	
Ladies Senior	50 to 59 years	H.I 32.0 & below Tee-off Red Tees	
Ladies Super Senior	60 & above		

Minimum 6 players in a division. The tournament committee reserve the rights to adjust divisions based on entries received after the closing date.

### 7. PRIZES

#### Men Divisions

- The Men Senior Strokeplay Champion will be awarded to the player with lowest aggregate gross score from the Men's Senior and Super Senior Divisions.
- Winner and Runner-up based on lowest aggregate Gross, and a Best Nett based on lowest aggregate nett scores will be awarded each of the Men's Divisions. The best gross winners are not eligible to the nett prize.

#### **Ladies Divisions**

- The Ladies Senior Strokeplay Champion will be awarded to the player with lowest aggregate gross score from the Ladies 's Senior and Ladies Super Senior Divisions.
- Winner and Runner-up based on lowest aggregate Gross, and a Best Nett based on lowest aggregate nett scores will be awarded each of the Ladies's Divisions. The best gross winners are not eligible to the nett prize.

All prize Winners will be invited to a complimentary game and dinner to receive their trophies during the TMCC Annual Prize Presentation event that will be held on Sunday, 26 October 2025.

### 8. DECISION OF TIES

In the event of a tie or ties for the Overall Champion position (Men's Senior Champion and Ladies' Senior Champion), it shall be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off to take place as soon as practical. The designated hole for the play off will be decided by the Tournament Director.

The purpose of the play-off is to decide the Champions only.

In the event of inclement weather or other reasons deemed by the Tournament Director to make a play-off impractical, the winner shall be decided by count-back system.

Ties for all other positions will be decided by the countback system.

#### 9. 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 to 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.

#### **10. 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.

#### 11. SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION (NOTE TO RULE 5.7B)

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.

#### **12. 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 and the competition shall be based on a single round of 18 holes.
- In the event that the 18 holes cannot be completed, the championship will be cancelled
- 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.
- The decision of the Club Management will be final.

#### **13. DROP ZONES**

With the exception the drop zone at hole #14 Garden Course, all other drop zones are not to be used during the Seniors Strokeplay Championship tournament.

#### 14. DISPUTES OR DOUBTS AS TO PROCEDURE

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

#### **15. 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.

#### **16. POSTING OF SCORES 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.

#### 17. CADDIE

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

#### **18. 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.

#### **19. 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 <u>https://www.tmcc.org.sg/privacy-policy/</u> which may be updated from time to time.

#### **20. AMENDMENTS TO CONDITIONS**

The Club reserves the right to amend these competition conditions.