



ETIQA MALAYSIA CUP 2010
20th – 23rd JULY 2010
SERI SELANGOR GOLF CLUB

CONDITIONS OF COMPETITION

1. MANAGEMENT

The **Etiqa Malaysia Cup 2010** (hereinafter referred to as the Championship) shall be managed by a Tournament Committee (hereinafter referred to as the Committee) whose decisions in all matters relating to the Championship shall be final.

2. VENUE AND DATE

The Championship will be played on 20th till 23rd July 2010 at Seri Selangor Golf Club.

3. SCHEDULE OF PLAY

The schedule of play shall be as follows:

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| i) Monday | (19 th July) | Registration and Practice Round (players must leave course at 4:00 PM) |
| ii) Tuesday | (20 th July) | First Round – Four-ball (best ball) (AM) |
| iii) Wednesday | (21 st July) | Second Round – Foursomes (AM) |
| iv) Thursday | (22 nd July) | Third Round – Four-ball (best ball) (AM) |
| v) Friday | (23 rd July) | Final Round – Foursomes and Prize Presentation (AM/PM) |

4. ELIGIBILITY

- The Championship is open to all male golfers who are Amateur Golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status as approved by the R&A Rules Limited.
- Each State may enter only one team of two male players who shall be amateur golfers in accordance with the Rules of Amateur Status issued by the R&A Rules Ltd. **Golfers whose Amateur Status is under investigation are not eligible to participate.**
- Have a valid USGA Handicap Index of not more than **8.2** at the time of submission of entry. (Certification of the Players' current Handicap Indexes MUST be presented upon registration). Participants from non NHS Clubs and overseas with a maximum Handicap of **10** and below may enter but must present certification upon registration.
- All players must **be below 24 years old** on 20th July 2010.

5. FORMAT OF PLAY

- The Championship is a 72-hole stroke play team event with each team comprising two players. On the first and third days are four-ball (best ball) play.
- And for the second and final days there are foursomes (alternate shot) play.
- The lowest total points of 4 days will be the winners and represent Malaysia in Etiqa ASEAN Cup with all expenses paid for.

6. PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the First, Second and Third placing. The Challenge trophy will be awarded to the Champion Team only.

7. ENTRIES AND CLOSING DATE

- a. Practice round buggies will be charged at RM 60.00 per buggy, twin sharing. Caddy is optional at RM 35.00 per caddy.
- b. All entries are to be made on the Official Entry Form and must reach the Tournament Office by **Thursday, 15th July 2010 – (1:00 pm):**

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- c. Entries are to be submitted on the prescribed form and duly certified by the State MGA Representative or State Association.

8. RULES OF PLAY

The Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Ltd and their interpretations as contained in the “Decisions on the Rules of Golf”, these Conditions of Competitions and any additional Conditions of Competitions together with the Local Rules established by the Tournament Committee for the Competitions will apply.

9. LIST OF CONFORMING DRIVER HEADS (P.141 - 142)

Any driver the player carries must have a club head, identified by model and loft that is named on the current List of Conforming Driver Heads issued by the R&A.

Exception: A driver with a club head that was manufactured prior to 1999 is exempt from this condition.

PENALTY FOR CARRYING, BUT NOT MAKING STROKE WITH, CLUB OR CLUBS IN BREACH OF CONDITION: Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred; maximum penalty per round – Four strokes.

Any club or clubs carried in breach of this condition must be declared out of play by the player to his marker or fellow-competitor immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. If the player fails to do so, he is disqualified.

**PENALTY FOR MAKING STROKE WITH CLUB IN BREACH OF CONDITION:
DISQUALIFICATION**

An updated List of Conforming Driver Heads is available on the R&A website (www.randa.org). This list is also available in the Tournament Office.

10. LIST OF CONFORMING GOLF BALLS (P.142)

The ball the player plays must be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by the R&A.

**PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:
DISQUALIFICATION**

11. DRAWS & STARTING TIMES

- a. The Tournament Committee will make the draws and the starting times for the first two rounds and will be posted at the Clubhouse and the Official Hotel. Such posting will be considered sufficient notice for information and distribution. The draw for subsequent rounds will be arranged according to the scores; the lowest scores will tee off last from the first tee and the highest scores will tee off last from the tenth tee. The Committee reserves the right to vary the starting times, at its absolute discretion, before tee-off time.
- b. The player shall start at the time laid down by the Tournament Committee. In the absence of circumstances which warrant waiving the penalty of disqualification as provided in Rule 33-7, if a player arrives at his starting point ready to play within five minutes after his starting time, the penalty for failure to start on time shall be two strokes at the starting hole instead of disqualification. Penalty for lateness beyond 5 minutes is **DISQUALIFICATION**.

12. SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION (NOTE TO RULE 6-8b)

The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect – see Appendix Part C-5 on pages 144-145.

Note: Suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by a prolonged note of a horn. All other suspensions will be signaled by three consecutive short notes of a horn, repeated. In either case, resumption of play will be signaled by two short notes of a horn, repeated.

13. TRANSPORTATION

Players must walk at all times. Players will be provided with buggies for the duration of the rounds at twin sharing basis. Flight assistant carrying player's equipment will drive buggy. The whole buggy and everything in it are deemed to be the equipment of two players who are sharing it.

Players **must not ride** on any other form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

Two strokes for each hole at which any breach occurred. Maximum penalty per round: Four strokes. Use of any unauthorized form of transportation must be discontinued immediately upon discovery that a breach has occurred. Otherwise, the player is disqualified.

14. CADDIES

No Caddies are allowed to be engaged for this Championship. A flight assistant will be assigned to drive the buggies. The flight assistant will not serve as caddies to players.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION: DISQUALIFICATION

15. PACE OF PLAY (NOTE TO RULE 6-7)

a) Time Allowed:

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 will be available prior to play.

Definition of Out of Position:

The first group and any group after a starter's gap will be considered to be "out of position" if at any time during the round, the group's cumulative time exceeds the time allowed for the number of holes played. Any following group will be considered 'out of position' if it is more than the starting time interval behind the group in front and has exceeded the time allowed for the number of holes played.

b) Procedure When Group is Out of Position

1. If the decision is taken to time the group, each player in the group will be subject to individual timing by a Rules Official. Each player in the group will be advised that they are "out of position" and are being timed.
2. The maximum time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. 10 extra seconds are allowed for the first player to play:
 - On the tee box;
 - On the subsequent shots; and
 - On the putting green.

The timing will start when a player has reached his ball, it is his turn to play and he is able to play without interference or distraction.

On the putting green, timing will start when the player has had a reasonable amount of time to lift, clean and replace his ball, repair ball marks and move loose impediments on his line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as time taken for the next stroke.

3. Timing ceases when a group is either back in position in relation to the preceding group or within the allocated time for the holes played.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

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| 1 bad time | Player will be warned by the Rules Official and told that if he has a further bad time he will be penalized. |
| 2 bad times | Penalty of one stroke |
| 3 bad times | further penalty of two strokes |
| 4 bad times | Disqualification |

c) Procedure When Again Out of Position During the Same Round

If a group is "out of position" more than once during a round the above procedure will apply on each occasion. Bad times and the application of penalties in the same round will be carried forward until the round is completed. A player will not be penalized if he has a second bad time before being advised of his earlier bad time.

16. DECISION ON TIES

In the event of a tie for the overall **CHAMPION**, the players tying shall as soon as possible continue in a hole-by-hole play-off until the winner is decided by elimination. The Tournament Committee shall determine the sequence of holes for the play-off.

In the event of a tie for any other placing, the tie shall be decided by a count-back system of matching scorecards in the following order:

- a. Last 18 holes
- b. 2nd Last 18 holes
- c. Last 9 holes
- d. Last 6 holes
- e. Last 3 holes
- f. And finally the last hole

Note: Where there is more than one (1) point start, it is considered that the last 9 holes, last 6 holes, last 3 holes and the last hole is considered to be holes for 10 – 18, 13 – 18, 16 – 18, and the 18th hole.

17. DRUGS

Players must not make use of any drug to enhance performance. Should a player show evidence of use of a drug for non-therapeutic purposes, the Committee may require the player to undergo a drug test. Any player infringing this Condition may be disqualified. Players who are on medication and in doubt as to their clinical status should seek advice from The R&A via the Tournament Office.

18. RETURNING OF SCORE CARD

A player's scorecard is deemed officially returned to the Committee when he has left the recording office/area.

19. RESULT OF CHAMPIONSHIP – COMPETITION CLOSED

When the Championship Trophy is presented to the winner, the results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition is closed.

20. ETIQUETTE, BEHAVIOUR ON THE COURSE

All players should practice good etiquette as detailed out in Section 1 of the Rules of Golf.

Serious Breach of Etiquette

The following are considered "serious breaches of etiquette" for this competition:-

- i. Usage of hand phone during a round to the annoyance and distractions of other players.
- ii. Verbal abuse of fellow competitor / official / staff.
- iii. Intentionally distracting or offending fellow competitor.
- iv. Any other 'breaches of etiquette' not listed above but are deemed to be serious by the Committee.

**PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:
DISQUALIFICATION**

21. INDEMNITY / LIABILITIES

In signing the Entry Form, participants in this Championship shall indemnify and not hold liable, MGA, the Sponsors, the Organizers or the Host Club for any loss or damages to their equipment or personal belongings or harm or any form of injuries that the participants may suffer as a result of the participation in this Championship.

22. DISPUTES AND DOUBTFUL POINTS

Any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules shall be referred to the Tournament Committee as soon as possible on completion of the round and in any case not later than 15 minutes after completing the round.

23. DECISIONS

If the Committee has appointed a referee, his/her decision is final (Rule 34-2). In the absence of a referee, any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules shall be referred to the Tournament Committee, whose decision shall be final (Rule 34-3).

TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE