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## **GPV Terms of Competition**

### **1. Eligibility**

Amateur financial members of Golf Peninsula Vic affiliated clubs who have an official GA handicap are eligible to compete in GPV competitions consistent with individual entry requirements. GPV has the right to refuse entry to any person without being required to give a reason for such refusal.

### **2. Rules**

Competitions shall be played in accordance with the 2019 Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A and with any Local Rules of the course on which the competition takes place. All players, caddies and club officials are required to abide by Golf Australia's Code of Conduct.

### **3. Management**

The GPV Match Committee will make all arrangements in conjunction with the Host Club, and make variations to these Terms if deemed desirable.

### **4. Disputes**

Any disputes or protests will be decided by the GPV Match Committee.

### **5. Refunds**

Entries may be refunded in accordance with the GPV Refund Policy.

### **6. Size of Field**

The GPV Match Committee reserves the right to limit the number of entries. In Championship Events preference may be given according to handicap. Details will be in the Terms of Competition for each event.

### **7. Substitutes**

Substitutes will be accepted up until 5.00pm on the day prior to the event, unless otherwise stated on the entry form.

### **8. Punctuality**

Competitors must be ready to start at their scheduled time. Rule 5.3a applies.

### **9. Mobile Phones**

Mobile phones carried by competitors or their caddies must be turned off. They may be used only in emergencies or to request rules assistance, or for GPS facility only.

### **10. Distance Measuring Devices**

For all GPV events, players may obtain distance information by the use of a distance measuring device in accordance with Rule 4.3a(1).

### **11. Caddies**



Professional golfers are permitted to caddy unless stated on individual entry forms.

## **12. Dress**

All competitors are required to comply with dress regulations of the Host Club.

## **13. Pace of Play**

Competitors should play at a prompt pace of play throughout the round as specified in Rule 5.6b(1).

## **14. Photos**

Participants, spectators and officials acknowledge that any images such as photos or videos taken during tournaments may be used by GPV for publicity and promotional purposes.

## **15. Alterations**

Changes to any Terms of Competition will be communicated to players entered in the affected event.

## **16. Carts Motorised**

Carts may be used by competitors in an event in any of the following circumstances:

- I. If the Terms of Competition for the event states that carts may be used by all competitors.
- II. If the competitor carries a medical certificate to be produced on request.
- III. If the competitor is over 70 years of age.

Caddies may use carts without pre-conditions.

## **17. Weather**

- I. GPV Heat Policy will apply.
- II. In the event of inclement or extreme weather conditions, unplayable course conditions or for any other reason, the GPV Representative and the Host Club will be responsible for deciding whether to suspend or resume play. The signal for suspending play will be determined by the Host Club. The procedure when play is suspended is outlined under the 2019 Rules of Golf 5.7b and 5.7d.
- III. When the course is again ready for play, players will be advised to return to their various locations. Every effort will be made to complete events on the scheduled day.
- IV. If a course is declared unplayable by the host club prior to the stipulated commencement time of the first event or match, and remains unplayable for more than one hour thereafter, a decision will be made by the GPV Representative in conjunction with the Host Club about abandoning play for that event or contest. If events are cancelled, they will be rescheduled if possible.

## **18. Practice**

- I. Match Play: players are not permitted to practice on the course on the day of competition prior to the commencement of their match. The General Penalty will apply to a player's first breach of this rule and disqualification for a second breach.
- II. Stroke Play: 2019 Rule 5.2b applies.