



8TH AL AIN EQUESTRIAN SHOOTING & GOLF CLUB INTERNATIONAL PRO-AM

Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club, UAE
24-27 January 2022

COMPETITOR INFORMATION

1. Eligibility

Professionals

The "8TH Al Ain Equestrian Shooting & Golf Club International Pro-Am" is open to all PGA Members and trainees as recognised by their respective National PGA. A limited number of exemptions may be considered provided that the Professional is a member in good standing of an organisation that is considered a Professional Member of the International Golf Federation. Any doubts as to eligibility will be decided by the Confederation of Professional Golf (CPG) Board of Directors whose decision will be final.

Amateurs

Amateur participants must be in possession of a valid handicap certificate.

2. Tournament Itinerary

Sunday 23 January	Official Practice Round, Par 3 & Welcome Reception
Monday 24 January	Round 1
Tuesday 25 January	Round 2
Wednesday 26 January	Round 3
Thursday 27 January	Round 4 + Prize Presentation & Gala Dinner
Friday 28 January	Departures

3. COVID-19 Safety Guidelines and Measures

In line with the current COVID-19 climate, the CPG have outlined all measures in place for the tournament in line with Health & Safety and social distancing guidelines.

It is the responsibility of **ALL PLAYERS** to have read this policy document before arriving at the tournament.

4. Registrations and Competitor Briefing

CPG Registration:

The Professional and Amateur Registration desks will be operational from 08.00hrs on Sunday 23 January and will be located at the Championship Office inside the Clubhouse - All players are requested to register by 12:00hrs on Sunday 23 January in person. If this will not be possible, they must send an email to tb@cpg.golf.



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If a Professional can't register in person before 12:00hrs on Sunday 23 January, they are requested to register their teams with the CPG via email or telephone, or alternatively through the online registration form [accessible at the tournament noticeboard or sent via email prior to the tournament].

Telephone number: **+44 (0) 20 71 83 59 83** Email: tb@cpg.golf

All amateur competitors **MUST** confirm their current handicap upon registration and **MUST** bring an updated handicap certificate to send as an image.

It is the Professional's responsibility to ensure that the CPG is made aware of their amateurs' exact handicaps as well as the system that their handicap uses and **MUST** provide a current handicap certificate. Failure to do so will result in the amateur playing off a handicap of 0.0.

Data Use:

Participants agree that their personal data may be given to third parties for reasons related to timing, results' ranking and announcement on the internet. Personal data of the participants required during the registration procedure are stored and will be used for purposes only related to the staging of the event (unless otherwise opted-in to). By submitting an entry form, each participant consents to the storing of his/her personal data and its use for the purposes of the event.

Participants consent to the use of their image during the event by the organizers, sponsors, or other partners of the event for promotional purposes, with no right to claim full or partial compensation for that reason.

5. Conditions of Play

The event shall be played under The R&A Rules of Golf, the Tournament Regulations of the CPG, the 2020 CPG Conditions of Competition and the local rules for the Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club, as determined by the CPG Chief Referee.

Team Competition

Teams (consisting of 1 Professional and 3 Amateurs) will compete over 72 holes stableford with the best two scores from the team of four to count on each hole.

The handicap limit is 28 for men and 36 ladies with a $\frac{3}{4}$ sloped allowance in the Pro-Am.

Amateurs are required to provide their exact handicap at the time of entry and **MUST** provide a handicap certificate at the registration desk of the event by 12:00hrs on Sunday 23 January. **NOTE:** All prize winners will be required to provide current proof of handicap before their team is presented with their prizes.

The World Handicapping system will apply to the tournament and each amateur will play from the applicable handicap.

NOTE: It is the Professional's responsibility to ensure that the registration desk is made aware of their amateurs' exact handicap.

Professional Competition

Professionals will play a 72-hole individual strokeplay event.

Any disputes regarding the interpretation of these Conditions of Competition will be settled by the CPG and in consultation with Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club and will be binding.

Par 3 Competition

During the practice day, tournament round 01 and tournament round 02, there will be a voluntary Par 3 Competition, held on the Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club Par 3 course. Teams are required to register for this in the main clubhouse during the main registration, and must have submitted their scores by the 25 January at 17:00.

The format is to be decided.

Prizes:

Amateurs

Trophies will be awarded to the Top 3 Professionals and the leading five Pro-Am teams in the overall competition. In the Pro-Am team event, prizes will also be awarded to the 3 best final round scores that finish outside the overall top 5.

Professionals

The Professionals will compete in a 72-hole individual strokeplay competition. The Professional Prize Fund is €30,000 based on 30 teams competing in the Pro-Am, which will increase or decrease pro-rata by €1,000 for any teams more than or less than 10 (The Prize Fund is also subject to a CPG 5% Levy).

Any disputes regarding the interpretation of these Conditions of Competition will be settled by the CPG Tournament Manager in consultation with Education City Golf Club and will be binding.

6. Draws

The starting times for Round 1 and 2 of the Pro-Am will be published on the noticeboards in the Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club clubhouse (reception and Tournament Office) and sent by email by 14.00hrs on Sunday 23 January.

Round 3 and 4 starting times will be published on the noticeboards in the Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club clubhouse following completion of the previous rounds, and will be sent to the Professionals by email. The order of play will be based on strict Pro score order. Round 3 and 4 will be a two-tee start (1st / 10th) starting at 08:30hrs.

NOTE: No changes to the draws will be permitted once they are posted and the decision of the Tournament Manager will be final.

7. Starting & Tees

All competitors are required to be at their starting tee 10 minutes prior to their start time. This is to allow the starter to provide pin positions, local rules and additional information to each player. This also ensures that all team members are present and able to start on time.

Male Professionals will play from the black tees;
Female Professionals will play from the white tees;
Male Amateurs will play from the blue tees;
Female Amateurs and juniors will play from the red tees.

NOTE: Female Professionals will play from a course that is not shorter than 10-14% shorter than the total course yardage of the course played by the male Professionals. The Chief Referee will vary the tees as necessary to ensure the fairness of the holes and the event.

Important

Missing team members including the PGA Professional may be subject to penalty if the team in question fails to meet the points highlighted in 20.1 of the CPG tournament Regulations

NOTE: When both Professional and the team are subject to a two-stroke penalty for lateness on the tee, the team total for the first hole will be increased by two shots prior to any penalty being added to the Professional's individual score for that hole.

8. Buggies

All competitors will be permitted to ride in buggies for the practice rounds and the tournament rounds of the Pro-Am.

9. Recording of Scores

All scorecards must be returned to the Tournament Office in the Clubhouse immediately following play.

10. Rulings & Doubt as to Procedure

There will be CPG Rules Officials on the courses at all times to deal with any disputes.

If, however, there is no Rules Official present the player may invoke Rule 20.1c(3) (two ball rule). The player must nominate the ball with which he wants to score, should the rules permit, and report

the facts to a CPG Official immediately after the conclusion of play. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

11. Distance Measuring Devices

All competitors will be permitted to use distance-measuring devices provided they measure distance only. If a player has any doubt as to whether a device is conforming, they should seek the advice of a CPG official.

12. Slow Play

For everyone's enjoyment we ask for each team to "keep up with the team in front, and not in front of the team behind". If a player is not going to score on a hole, he/she is requested to please "pick up". A Pace of Play will be enforced on the course.

It will be the professional's responsibility to ensure that the team's pace of play adheres to the guidelines of the Tournament Manager.

13. Bad Weather / Play Foreshortened or Cancelled

In the event of bad weather and an overall result not being possible, the overall result will be decided over completed rounds.

All players should make themselves aware of the Suspension of Play Policy, which can be found on the CPG Hard Card – Section A11. In all instances when there is a threat of lightning the player should put their own safety first and seek shelter as soon as possible.

In the event of unforeseen circumstances any decision shall be made by the CPG and, in consultation with Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club, will be binding.

14. Dress Regulations

Normal Golf clothing is to be worn at Al Ain Equestrian, Shooting & Golf Club during the tournament or the equivalent after golf.

Jackets (No Tie) are required, whilst women are requested to wear a semi-formal outfit for the Prize Giving Ceremony & Closing Reception.

All other functions are smart casual.

15. Exchange Rate

The local currency is AE Dirham (AED).

16. Officials and Contacts

Communications & Event Manager: Tom Bentley (CPG)
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