



## **ESTONIAN AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP 2017**

### **1. GENERAL**

#### 1.1 Date and place

2.-4.6.2017. Pärnu Bay Links

#### 1.2 Form of Play

The Championship shall be decided by stroke play over three rounds of 18 holes each day, in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the Estonian Golf Association Hard Card, the Local Rules approved by the Committee at the championship and the Conditions herein.

#### 1.3 Eligibility of Competitors

An entry will be accepted from any male amateur player who has EGA exact HCP 12,0 or lower and from any female player who has EGA exact HCP 16 or lower.

#### 1.4 Number of Competitors

The starting field will comprise 144 competitors. If the number of entries exceeds 144, places in the starting field will be decided by the Committee on the basis of handicap ballot. The Committee has also the right to include players with higher HCP if the number of competitors doesn't exceed 144.

#### 1.5 Cut

The 90 lowest scores (72 men and 18 ladies) over the first 36 holes, including ties, shall qualify for the final 18 holes. If a competitor, who has posted a two-round total that will qualify for the final round, withdraws before or after the final round draw is made, the competitor's results will still be used to calculate the leading places and ties that will determine the cut mark.



## 1.6 Caddies

Caddie's outfit must meet the requirements set for the clothes of the player; footwear must be a sports shoe without spikes. Caddie must be registered at the starter and a marking given by the starter must be worn during the competition rounds.

## 1.7 Decision of Ties

In the event of a tie for first place, the winner shall be decided by a play-off by stroke play over holes to be selected by the Committee. The play-off shall start as soon as practicable after the last competitors have finished their final round.

The competitor with the lowest aggregate score over the extra holes shall be declared the winner. The competitor with highest score is loser. If two or more competitors share the lowest score, the winner shall decide on next hole. For competitors who fall out from play-off with equal score, the places will be decided on the basis of scores recorded on final 36, 18, 9, 6, 3 holes or last hole, in that order. If the tie still exists, an 18-hole count-back will be used on the second round and then first round, if necessary.

## 2. ENTRIES

### 2.1 Entries

Entries, by using the attached entry form, must be sent by email to the following address: [info@golf.ee](mailto:info@golf.ee) or registration can be done in Golfbox. An entrant's form will not have been officially received until his name has been posted at the official website of the tournament.

The closing date for entries is Wednesday, 31<sup>st</sup> of May at 12:00 o'clock. *Note: Late entries will not be accepted.*

Link to the official web site is: [www.estonianopen.ee](http://www.estonianopen.ee)

### 2.2 Entry Fee

The entry fee is **150 EUR**.



Entries fee will be paid before the closing date on the 31st of May to the bank account: OÜ Golfer, IBAN: EE321700017000596921, Nordea Bank, SWIFT: NDEAEE2X. For payment explanation please mark the competitor's name.

### 2.3 Refunds

Entrance fees will only be refunded in case of withdrawal being advised before the closing time for entries, except for those entrants who may be balloted out and who do not subsequently compete or those withdrawing for medical reasons.

### 2.4 Reserve List

If entries exceed 144, entrants will be allocated to a reserve list. Unsuccessful entrants shall be informed without delay and given the opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur. Entrance fees will be refunded to entrants balloted out who do not subsequently compete.

## 3. PRIZES

### 3.1 Title and placing

The winner of the Championship shall be the Estonian Amateur Champion Golfer for a period of one year. The Championship Trophy shall be held by hosting golf club, which will be responsible for the cost of engraving, insuring and maintaining the trophy and should return it, before the next Championship, to an address named by the Estonian Golf Association Secretary.

The winner shall receive a 1<sup>st</sup> place trophy, the runner up a 2<sup>nd</sup> place trophy and the thirdplaced competitor a 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophy.