

PART 7

REGULATIONS OF THE WPGA

1. General

The Constitution and Regulations of the Association shall apply to the Women's Section (WPGA) and to Members thereof. The affairs of the Women's Section (WPGA) shall be conducted in accordance with Articles 108-115 (inclusive) of the Constitution. Such other Regulations relating to the Women's Section (WPGA) as may from time to time be prescribed by the committee of the Women's Section (WPGA) shall be in accordance with the Constitution, the Regulations and the policy of the Board, and shall be such as to keep the organisation and regulation of the Women's Section (WPGA) as close as is practicable (in the light of certain differences between the organisation and structure of the regions and the Women's Section (WPGA)) to those of the regions.

2. Membership

To be eligible for membership of the Women's Section (WPGA), the applicant must be a woman Member of the Association, or a woman who is currently an Assistant. Members and Assistants who are women shall automatically become Members of the Women's Section (WPGA) for so long as they remain a Member.

3. PGA Tournaments

3.1 Women Members/Assistants playing in PGA Tournaments and Pro-Ams for the same prize money as male Members may play a course dependent on the total yardage and terrain of the course played by the male competitors which is not less than 10% or more than 14% shorter. The Tournament Director will vary tees as necessary to ensure the fairness of the holes and the Tournament. If a separate prize-fund is provided solely for women Members/Assistants then tournament conditions can vary from the above.

3.2 If a Tournament or Order of Merit placing subsequently results in qualifying for any 'Restricted Event(s)' (as listed below) where a woman Member/Assistant plays from the women's forward tees, the woman Member/Assistant will not be eligible to qualify for participation in the Restricted Event(s). Women Members/Assistants electing to play from the tournament tees played by male Members would be eligible to qualify for a Restricted Event, provided such an event does not have any gender restrictions to participation.

Restricted Events

- a: European Tour events
- b: European Challenge Tour events
- c: European Seniors Tour events
- d: PGA Europro Tour events
- e: PGA Play-Offs
- f: PGA Seniors Championship
- g: PGA Cup

- h: Or any other event conducted by an organisation other than The Professional Golfers' Association

Note:

The above list of Restricted Events is not definitive and the Association may from time to time add events to this list. Should this be the case, notification to Members that such a Tournament is to be classed as a Restricted Event will be included within the Tournament Conditions for the applicable qualifying tournament or Order of Merit.

4. Women's Section (WPGA) Tournaments

The Regulations for Women's Section (WPGA) Tournaments shall be the same as for other relevant Tournaments held under the auspices of the Association.

5. Annual General Meeting

5.1 The terms for arranging an Annual General Meeting of the Women's Section (WPGA) shall be in accordance with the Constitution.

5.2 At the Annual General Meeting of the Women's Section the Members shall elect three Members to serve in place of the retiring Members of the committee. A retiring Member shall be eligible for re-election and her nomination for re-election (together with nominations for any new candidates for election to the committee) must be received by the WPGA Secretary at least 21 days before the Annual General Meeting. A candidate's nomination must be supported by a proposer and seconder who shall be woman Members and who shall sign the nomination and the candidate must also confirm in writing before the Annual General Meeting that she is willing to serve. An agenda setting out the names of the candidates and the relevant proposers and seconders shall be sent to Members at least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting.

5.3 The WPGA Secretary shall put notice of the Annual General Meeting for the Women's Section in accordance with Part 1 paragraph 6.2 of the Regulations.

5.4 No business shall be transacted at the Annual General Meeting and the various committee meetings unless a quorum of Members can be present. Unless and until otherwise determined by the Board the quorum required for an Annual General Meeting shall be 10 and for a committee meeting shall be 3.

6. Discipline

6.1 The WPGA Secretary shall be responsible for the implementation of the Association's Disciplinary Regulations solely in relation to Women's Section tournaments. Such appeals as are made against decisions offered at regional level shall be heard by the National Disciplinary Committee.

6.2 Potential breaches of the Association's Code of Ethics should be passed via the WPGA Secretary to the National Disciplinary Committee.