

BALASA LF

BALASA DISABLED GOLF OPEN

24-26 May 2013

Code of Conduct and Rules

The 2013 BALASA Disabled Golf Open will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as established by the R&A Rules Limited together with such Local Rules as established by the event organising committee. In addition, the modifications for handicapped golfers, as established by the R&A are applicable.

BALASA and its organising committee are responsible for organising and running the BALASA Disabled Golf Open 2013.

CONDUCT

1. You are obliged to comply with all requests for information from BALASA and/or the Organising Committee as expeditiously as possible; to abide by the requests regarding availability for media interviews etc; to participate in all official functions organised by Sponsors/ Organising Committee and/or BALASA to which you are invited. Any costs incurred by BALASA due to your failure to comply/attend will be passed to you directly.
2. Dress Code; long or tailored short trousers, no shorter than just above the knee, shirts with short sleeves/collar or with long sleeves/collar, acknowledged golfing attire and predominantly white socks. Jeans, football attire and t-shirts are not allowed.
3. To show loyalty toward the sponsors of the BALASA Disabled Golf Open 2013 by not advertising any opponent merchandise in any form or manner.
4. To behave in an acceptable manner to reflect favourably on the sponsors, organising committee and BALASA.
5. To ensure that you are punctual for start times, event meetings, interviews that you have accepted, for meetings with organising officials, etc.
6. To behave in an acceptable manner on and off the golf course at all times and to ensure that the name of BALASA is not brought into disrepute. When representing BALASA you are expected to behave in an acceptable manner at all times. Failure to do so will automatically lead to de selection for any future events.
7. You are obliged not to put any disparaging comments about BALASA, committee member or any other person on any social networking media sites. Failure to comply with this request could/will lead to automatic suspension, until the golf committee can convene a meeting to discuss what if any further action is necessary

A) The following general conduct can never be condoned

- Bad language (on or off the field).
- Rowdy behavior at any time (even when celebrating a victory).
- Indulgence in the use of alcohol and any banned substance (on or off the field). Random alcohol and drug tests may be performed. Any Competitor, who fails such tests or refuses to take a test if asked to do so, may be disqualified.
- Any form of physical fighting (on or off the field).
- Any form of verbal abuse (on or off the field).
- Negative influences on fellow participants (on or off the field).
- Any form of political, religious or racial propaganda/demonstrations.

B) To ensure fair and equal competition the following will be agreed upon

- To observe and comply with the anti-doping provisions referred to in the WADA list of

banned substances; not to have in possession or attempt to have in possession any drug or medication which have not been approved in writing by a medical person.

- To submit to doping control whenever and wherever requested by officials and to hand over all the relevant forms regarding doping control to the Organising Committee for safe keeping.

Go to www.drugfreesport.org.za for more information.

GENERAL RULES

1. The players are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the Conditions of the Competition, 'Local Rules' and any "Additional Local Rules" as posted on the Tournament Notice Boards.
2. Mobile telephones may neither be switched on, nor used on the competition course, except in case of an emergency.
3. The use of motorized carts is permitted for all competitors.
4. Only accredited caddies/helpers will be allowed; it is essential that you make your requirements clear to the Tournament Committee on your entry form.
5. The Referees and Marshals will monitor the pace of play in accordance with the "Pace of Play".
6. The order of play and groupings shall be in accordance with the order of play and groupings as laid down by the Organising Committee.
7. The Organising Committee is responsible for the times of starting and for arranging the groups in which the competitors shall play.
8. The player is personally responsible for knowing his/her own starting time.
9. The Organising Committee reserves the rights to alter starting times if deemed necessary.
10. The player should arrive at the appropriate tee ten minutes before starting time.
11. The Organising Committee reserves the right to discontinue play and/or cancel a round in case of potentially dangerous weather conditions. Players must familiarise themselves with the signals in use for suspension of play as detailed in the Tournament Brochure.
12. A player is permitted to discontinue play if he believes there is danger from lightning, or if there is some other good reason such as sudden illness. He shall report to the Committee as soon as practicable to explain the reason for discontinuing play.
13. Etiquette is an important part of the game and in the case of a serious breach of etiquette the Disciplinary Committee has the authority to disqualify a player;

The above will be strictly enforced by the Organising Committee with a zero tolerance attitude. A Disciplinary Committee will form for the duration of the event and all contraventions of the above, major or minor, will be referred to the Committee. The decision of the committee shall be final.

The disciplinary committee shall consist of the following

- BALASA Golf Director – Richard Saunders
- Belton Woods Golf Director –
- Tournament Rules Officials –
- BALASA Secretary – Ian Dixon

DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES/DISPUTES

1. Transgressors will be notified in writing, the notice will include the time and place of any Disciplinary hearing, and they will be requested to sign the notification as an acknowledgement of receipt. Failure to attend the meeting will be taken as an acknowledgement of guilt.
2. Representations will be allowed but the decision of the Disciplinary Committee will be final.
3. Your signature on the Entry Form is an indication that you have read the above and agree to abide by the content.

GOLF CAR HIRE AGREEMENT

- Only persons authorised by the Owner and/or their Agents are permitted to rent or drive the car
- A maximum of two persons are permitted on a car
- Hands and Feet are to be kept inside the car at all times
- Cars may not be driven within 10 metres of greens or tees

- Where golf paths are provided, cars are not to leave the paths
- Whenever a car is stopped, the parking brake should be applied
- The vehicle should not be started until the occupants are seated
- Occupants should not alight from a moving car
- Pedestrians have the right of way
- You will be responsible for all damages caused to the car
- Car to be returned to the designated area directly after play
- Breach of these rules can result in confiscation of the car, at no refund

INDEMNITY and WAIVER:

1. The user (hirer) of the golf car waives all rights he may have to claim from the owner of the golf car and the owner of the property on which the car is used for any loss, damage or harm he may suffer or sustain arising out of or connected with the use of the golf car notwithstanding that such loss, damage or harm may have been caused by the negligence of the owner, or their respective servants, agents or employees, howsoever such loss, damage or harm is caused.
2. The user (hirer) hereby indemnifies the owner of the golf car, their servants, agents or employees against all or any claims which may be made against them or any of them by any third party (including any dependants of the user) where such claim arises out of or in connection with the use of the golf car, nothing excepted. The provisions of this indemnity are applicable whether the claim is made as a result of the negligence of the owner of the golf car and/or 3rd party property, or any of their servants, agents or employees.
3. The user (hirer) of the golf car shall be responsible for all and any damage caused to the golf car and/or 3rd party property from the time of delivery thereof to the time of return thereof to the designated area and acceptance of the golf car by a representative of the golf car owner. The liability of the user (hirer) for damage to the golf car and/or 3rd party property is absolute whether or not the golf car was caused by negligence, vicarious or otherwise, of the hirer or not. The user accepts the golf car to be in good order upon signature thereof.
4. The user (hirer) shall not permit anyone other than the user (hirer) to operate the golf car. Should the golf car be damaged whilst anyone other than the user (hirer) is operating the golf car, the user (hirer) shall nevertheless be liable for the cost of repairing any damages caused in accordance with the provisions of the above clause.
5. The amount payable by the user (hirer) for any damages caused to the golf car and/or 3rd party shall be the amount reasonably assessed by the representative of the owner and if the user (hirer) disputes the reasonableness of such assessment, he shall nevertheless be obliged to pay the amount of such assessment, when the amount of the assessment is made known to him, subject to him receiving a refund of any excess and bearing responsibility for any shortfall.
6. Your signature on the Entry Form is an indication that you have read the above and agree to abide by the golf hire agreement.