

CONDITIONS OF NOMINATION

1. **FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND SENIOR GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP:** The Championship will be played over 36 holes of stroke play - 18 holes on each on Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th September 2024. The venue will be Atherton Golf Club
2. **CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE:** A Championship Committee, appointed by FNQ Golf Association, and the FNQ Women's Golf Inc. shall have sole management and control of the event. The Championship Committee reserves the right to: (a) fix and/or alter starting times, (b) in the event of bad weather, or for any other reason, either shorten the contest or fix another day/venue, (c) vary any condition should they deem it advisable, (d) reject any entry without assigning any reason. The decision of the Championship Committee will be final in all matters and in the absence of a full committee, such members as may be present at the time may give a decision and any decision so given shall be deemed to be a decision of the full Championship Committee. Any matter not mentioned is at the discretion of the Championship Committee.
3. **ENTRIES:**
 - 3.1 The Senior Golf Championships are for: Male and Female Amateur Golfers with an Australian Handicap who are a financial member of a Golf Club affiliated through their District Association with the relevant State body and Golf Australia or Bona fide amateur golfers from other countries.
 - 3.2 The FNQ Senior Championship grades and sections are Age limited: MEN'S Senior 55 – 65 years of age, Super-Senior – 65 years of age and over. WOMEN'S 50 – 65 years of age, Super-Senior – 65 years of age and over.
 - 3.3 The field will be limited to 170 with a waiting list if required.
 - 3.4 Entries for the 36-hole event will be accepted up to 5 pm on Monday 16th September 2024.
 - 3.5 Entries will be processed via Atherton Golf Club registration process with the prescribed nomination fee (\$80) to be paid at the same time of registration. There is no hard copy entry form. Telephone entries will not be accepted.
 - 3.6 Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Committee.
 - 3.7 Nominations are accepted at face value, on the basis that information contained therein is correct, and up to date. Should this subsequently be proven not to be the case, FNQ Golf Association reserves the right to deem any competitor ineligible – at any time prior to or during the Championship.
 - 3.8 There will be no refund of entry fees for players who withdraw from the event after the 16th of September 2024. Players who withdraw prior to this date will be refunded their entry fee, less an administration fee of \$10.00.
4. **PUBLICITY:** FNQ Golf Association and Golf Australia (Queensland) arranges publicity before, during and/or after this Championship. It is a condition of entry that all players assent to references to them, and pictures of them in practice, play and presentations being published via any medium (including the internet).
5. **PRIVACY:** FNQ Golf Associations and Golf Australia (Queensland) may retain the personal details (i.e. name, address, handicap) of entrants in this Championship on its records. The purpose of doing so is such that information on other future events conducted by FNQ Golf Associations and/or Golf Australia (Queensland) (or other parties) can be forwarded as deemed appropriate by FNQ Golf Associations and/or Golf Australia (Queensland). This information will not be available to any other organisation. Any person may have their details removed from this database by emailing FNQ Golf Associations at secretary@fnqgolf.com.au, fnqladiesgolf@gmail.com, or Golf Australia (Queensland) info@golf.org.au
6. **DRESS REGULATIONS:** It is a requirement of this tournament that all players must comply with the dress standards of the club hosting the event. Players not conforming to the dress requirements of the course on which they are playing will not be permitted to take their place in the field.
7. **PRACTICE:** Practice rounds will be at the discretion of the Atherton Golf Club; under whatever terms and conditions they determine.
8. **RULES:** The Rules of Golf as adopted by the R&A Rules Limited will apply together with the Local Rules as are approved by the Championship Committee.
9. **COURSE MARKERS:** During practice or during the Championship a player shall not place on the course, or cause to be placed on the course, any artificial marker or other device designed to indicate course measurements. A player in breach of this condition shall be disqualified.
10. **DRAW AND STARTING TIMES:** A draw for each day's play will be published. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the Championship Committee in accordance with Rule 5-3a. All players must notify the starter of their presence at the course at least (30) thirty minutes before their scheduled tee times.
11. **BALL:** It will be obligatory for all competitors in the Championship to play with a ball which is named in the current R&A Approved List. Copies of these lists are available from www.randa.org Penalty: Disqualification.
12. **USE OF MOTORISED VEHICLES:** All players in the Championship can ride in carts (subject to availability).
13. **MOBILE PHONES:** The use of mobile phones by players is permitted for scoring purposes and other uses described by Rule 4.3 with reference made to Rule 1.2. Serious breaches of etiquette may result in disqualification. (Officials excluded)
15. **PACE OF PLAY:** Rule 5.6 will be strictly enforced.
16. **USE OF EQUIPMENT:** In this competition shall be in accordance with Rule 4.3a and 4.3b.
17. **MAJOR TROPHIES** will be awarded at the discretion of the Championship Committee and may be restricted.
18. **DRUG TESTING:** All competitors are subject to drug testing by the Australian Sports Drug Agency for banned substances as laid down in Golf Australia's Doping Policy endorsed by the FNQ Golf Associations. Any competitor infringing this condition, or refusing to take a test, may be disqualified.
19. **TIES:** In the event of a tie for gross events, play shall continue hole by hole, until one player gains at least a one stroke advantage. The sudden death play-off will be decided over such holes as determined by the Championship Committee. Should this not be possible, the Match Committee will advise the outcome. The breaking of ties for all other events/trophies will be determined by use of the Australian Count-back System.

20. **CODE OF CONDUCT:** All entrants are bound by the FNQGA Code of Conduct ("the Code"). A copy of the Code is available at www.fnqgolf.com.au. Any breach of the Code may be recorded on the Central Register of the Code ("the Register"). The Register may be accessed (and published from time to time) by any District or State Association or Golf Australia for the purposes of administering Competitions or state championships, events, competitions, practice sessions or major activities conducted or sanctioned by a District or State Association, or any District or State Association or Golf Australia codes of conduct and/or other related matters
21. **PROTESTS:** Protests must be lodged in writing with the Championship Committee no later than 10 minutes after the conclusion of a players round on the day the protest relates to.
22. **PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES:** Trophies will be presented at the conclusion of the Championship and will be awarded at the determination of the Championship Committee.
23. These **CONDITIONS OF NOMINATION** are to be read in conjunction with the Local Rules that will be issued on the first day of the Championships.
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The FNQ Women's Senior Championship will be held in conjunction with this event. All enquiries should be directed to the FNQDLGA

FNQ Senior Golf Championships will be subject to Proof of Age as of 6.00 am 18th September 2024)

Requests for Wednesday and Thursday Tee Times

(subject to availability at the time nomination is received)

Requests for tee times can be made when nominating on the official nomination form.

Championship Entry Fee includes: 2 rounds of golf, and entry to various divisions and grades subject to conditions (see above).

Draw will be published on the Atherton and FNQ Golf websites www.athertongolf.com.au www.fnqgolf.com.au and Facebook only.