

SCOTTISH MEDAL FINALS

Club Guidelines



Scottish
Golf

1. Eligibility

- a) Open to all male and female golfers who are members of Scottish Golf affiliated clubs.
- b) Are of amateur status as defined by R&A Rules Limited.
- c) Are in possession of a WHS handicap index.
- d) Members of more than one club can compete in medals at each club where they are a member but may only represent one club and play in one Regional Final.
- e) When a player has qualified from multiple clubs in any year, they must **only** represent their Home club at the Regional Final. In these circumstances the player's Away club(s) are permitted to send the next eligible player.

2. Qualification

The top 3 male and the top 3 female players *returning the lowest aggregate of 3 net scores from the previous year's club medal competitions will be eligible to be play in the Regional Final. When club medal competitions are played over multiple courses the lowest aggregate of 3 net scores (taking into account the net differential) will be used to establish qualifiers. Should a qualifying player not be available to play, a club may send the next available player. * To acknowledge the cancellation of the 2020 event all clubs will have the option to forward their 2019 and 2020 qualifiers to next year's Medal Finals. This will be an option for the 2021 event only.

Any ties shall be decided on a card countback over the final 9, 6, 3 or 1 hole(s). If a tie still arises, the last 6, 3 or 1 hole(s) of the first 9 holes will be used. If no decision is reached, the Committee shall make a final decision.

3. Requirements

In order to be eligible, clubs must:

- a) Run a minimum of 6 club medal competitions (between January – December). *
- b) Permit juniors holding a WHS handicap index to compete and qualify for a Regional Final.
- c) Run club medals as qualifying competitions for handicap purposes.
- d) Run competitions in accordance with the R&A Rules of Golf and in conjunction with the club's local rules.
- e) Encourage [Ready Golf](#)

*To acknowledge the restrictions in the 2020 playing season, clubs running a minimum of 4 club medal competitions will be eligible to enter the 2021 event.

4. Format

In order to be qualifying, the format of each medal used to establish qualifiers must be 18 hole stroke play, however Committees may run medal competitions in the following formats:

- a) "Single Day Medal" format. Providing that the playing membership is given a reasonable opportunity to access suitable tee times evening tee times and sufficient daylight for a weekday event or non-restrictive times at weekends.
- b) "Alternative Day Medal" format. Where it is not possible to accommodate the needs of the playing membership on a single day the Committee may offer an Alternative Day option for all or some of their medal competitions. Under this format there will be one overall result used with the winner returning the best net differential (taking into account PCC) over the two days. For handicap purposes a separate PCC is calculated for each day. No player may play twice in any one medal competition played under the Alternate Day format. If either the Main Day or the Alternative Day competition is cancelled and cannot be rearranged the result on the day when the competition was played (i.e. Main Day or Alternative Day) shall stand.
- c) "Dual Day" Medal format. Within a seven day period, the Committee may schedule a weekday and weekend day for medal competitions and treat these options as separate competitions with players entitled (subject to their club membership status) to enter on either or both days; under this format there will be winners on both days.
- d) The format options set out above are not mutually exclusive. Clubs may play all their medal competitions under one format or may include a mix of these but are recommended not to mix Alternative Day and Dual Day formats.
- e) The Committee is responsible for running the competition and deciding ties at their club.