

## Scottish Golf Men's Selection Policy 2022

**Due to the ongoing and evolving situation with Covid-19, it is possible that an exceptional process may have to be put in place for the selection of National teams in 2022. The Scottish Golf performance team will continue to monitor the situation and will reserve the right to adapt the automatic qualification criteria for National Team events. Any changes to the selection process will be communicated to players.**

### AIMS

To formalise the selection process for Scottish National Golf Teams and Squads that is understood by players, parents, coaches, the wider golfing membership, media and other interested parties.

### OBJECTIVES

- To publish a criteria for the selection of individuals to represent Scotland in identified Teams/Competitions.
- To identify the selection process and key timescales.
- To obtain and record as much standardised information about individual players as possible.
- To give players feedback on reasons why they have or have not been selected.

### GENERAL

All persons selected by Scottish Golf for teams/competitions or Training Squads must, to the satisfaction of the Selection Committee:

- Meet the Scottish Golf eligibility criteria at the commencement of the Championship.
- Comply and have complied with the etiquette of golf as laid down by R&A Rules Limited.
- Follow and have followed any guidelines published by Scottish Golf relating to conduct and guidance for Scotland Golf Teams.
- Follow and have followed any guidelines published by Scottish Golf relating to anti-doping regulations. (listed below)

- Automatic selections are subject to the players not being under any kind of review for code of conduct or disciplinary issues either from their Club, County or Scottish Golf.

## TEAM SELECTIONS

### Selection Panel

The Selection Panel is made up of the following members:

Director of Pathways and Coaching – Stuart Clayton

Performance Programme Manager – Rachel Knight

Selection Panel Member – Stuart Wilson

All panel members receive a vote.

### Selection process

For all teams, players that are in consideration for selection will be contacted prior to the selection date to check their availability for the upcoming selection. On the day of selection, players that are selected will be contacted via email, all selections will then be posted on the Scottish Golf website. Those unsuccessful in selection can contact the Performance Programme Manager for feedback.

Please note:

Where a player qualifies automatically for both the Men's and Boys' teams, it will be at the discretion of the selection committee to decide which team the player will represent. Consideration will be given to matching player development to the appropriate level of competition.

### Primary Selection Factors

Players who fulfil the automatic selection standard as indicated for each team/competition.

Automatic selections are not transferable down the rankings.

### Secondary Selection Factors

- Performances in pre-identified key events leading up to the selection date will be taken into account. (See appendix 1)
- Historical performance record in key events and major international teams.
- Current World Amateur Golf Rankings and relative movements within a 6-month period.

- Scottish Golf Men's Order of Merit.

### **Additional Selection Factors**

Additional factors include: -

- Level of competition (World and European), and player experience.
- Competition format, team and/or individual.
- The type of course with the assessed difficulty of the course.
- Player performances, including foursomes record when appropriate.
- Climatic conditions.
- General fitness level.
- Medical considerations.

## **KEY SELECTION DATES FOR TEAMS**

### **The Nations Cup (4 players) 30<sup>th</sup> March – 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2022**

**Selector's Picks:** 3rd March 2022

- Top player on World Amateur Golf Rankings (at the update of the rankings on 24th February 2022)
- 3 Selectors Picks

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

### **European Team Championship (6 players) 5<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022**

**Automatic selection date:** 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022 **Selector's Picks:** 20<sup>th</sup> June 2022

- Top 2 players on World Amateur Golf Rankings (at the update of the rankings on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2022)
- Top player on Scottish Golf Men's Order of Merit (not already selected via World Amateur Golf Rankings on selection date)
- 3 Selectors picks

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

## **Men's Home Internationals (9 players) 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> August 2022**

**Automatic selection date:** 22nd July 2022 **Selector's Picks:** 22nd July 2022

- Top 3 players on World Amateur Golf Rankings (at the update of the rankings on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022)
- Top 2 on Scottish Golf Men's Order of Merit (not already selected via World Amateur Golf Rankings on selection date)
- 4 Selectors picks

**\*\*Due to the team submission dates required by the R&A the Scottish Men's Amateur Champion will not be eligible for selection as they will be crowned champion post required date"**

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

## **World Team Championships (3 players) 31<sup>st</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> September**

**Automatic Selection Date:** 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022 **Selector's Picks:** 13<sup>th</sup> July 2022

- Top 2 players on World Amateur Golf Rankings (at the update of the rankings on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022)
- 1 Selectors pick

Where the automatic selection places are not filled, the selection committee will select the remaining players.

## **APPEALS PROCESS**

Scottish Golf are committed to a fair and transparent selection process. A player who has not been selected for a team can appeal to the Performance Programme Manager where the player believes

1. Scottish Golf have failed to follow the published selection criteria; and/or
2. There has been a statement of fact which is incorrect.

Appeals should be sent to the Performance Programme Manager via email and must be received within 3 days of the team announcement.

## **ANTI – DOPING POLICY**

Scottish Golf follows the rules as laid out by UK Anti-Doping (or its successor). You can find the UK Anti-Doping Rules here: <http://www.ukad.org.uk/resources/document/uk-anti-doping-rules>

## **Appendix 1 – Key events**

- The Amateur Championship
- Scottish Men's Open Championship
- Lytham Trophy
- Brabazon Trophy
- St Andrews Links Trophy
- Scottish Men's Amateur Championship
- Welsh Open Strokeplay
- Irish Men's Amateur Open Championship
- Craigmillar Park Open
- Battle Trophy
- Tennant Cup
- East of Scotland Open
- Cameron Corbett Vase
- Amateur Champion Gold Medal
- North East Open
- North Of Scotland Open
- South East District Open