

SANCTIONING OF OPEN GOLF EVENTS

Introduction:

1. The MGA, as the governing body for Amateur Golf in the country, is responsible for all matters concerning Golf Development and Golf Competitions.

Among its responsibilities are:

- i. As an affiliate of the IGF (International Golf Federation) uphold and maintain the Rules of Amateur Status.
- ii. To ensure the proper implementation and application of Golf Rules when conducting Golf Competitions.

Reasons for Sanctioning

2. Sports Development Act 1997.
 - 2.1. The Sports Development Act, Section 36, requires organizers of sporting events to apply for a 'License'.
 - 2.2. Event Organizers, sponsors or Host Clubs of private Competition should inform the 'Commissioner of Sports' of such intentions and apply for a 'License'. The purpose is to ensure that Organizers of these events have sufficient funds and the Technical support required for running these events.
 - 2.3. To ensure Organizers report any breach of Amateur Status.
 - 2.4. To implement the proper use of the applicable Handicaps of every participant, in order to ensure all participants, play on a level playing field.
 - 2.5. Ensure that the competitions are conducted properly and adhere to 'The Terms and Conditions, Rules and Regulations and Tournament Set-up'.

Conditions for granting of MGA sanction:

3. Clubs holding MGA sanctioned competitions are required to comply with the following conditions: -

- 3.1. Golf rules applicable.

The competition must be conducted in accordance with the Rules of Golf issued by the R&A Rules Ltd.

- 3.2. Amateur status.

The Rules of Amateur Status issued by the R&A Rules Ltd must be complied with, particularly with regard to the retail value of the prizes awarded. (Maximum 750 pounds)

Organizer must submit all the winners' particulars within 7 days from the completion of each event/competition (ie. name, handicap, Club's Name, NHS Number,

Score/Points, Prize won, Retail Value of total prize won & prize value of any representation to Final and/or sponsored event).

3.3. Caution - Forfeiture of amateur status.

3.3.1 Insert a statement in the 'Entry Form' stating that those who win prizes exceeding the limits as stated in the Rules of Amateur Status will be reported to the MGA.

3.3.2 Report any breach of Amateur Status, with particulars of the affected Golfers and the prizes received. (Value)

3.3.3 Insert a statement in the 'Entry Form' stating that those who win prizes exceeding the limits (a retail value of more than £750) as stated in the Rules of Amateur Status will be reported to the MGA.

Organizer to Report any breach of Amateur Status, with particulars of the winning participant/s and/or golfer/s and the prizes received (Total Value) as stated in the Rules of Amateur Status to MGA.

3.4. Referees.

3.4.1 There should be minimum TWO qualified referees to adjudicate the Rules. Organizers may appoint qualified referees of their choice after notifying MGA or request MGA to appoint the referees. Please be informed that, availability of referees base on the venue of tournament. MGA may appoint referees from outside the venue state if no other nearby available.

3.4.2 All of the expenses of the Referees i.e. allowance, mileage/flight fare, F&B and accommodation (single room) will be borne by the organizer.

3.5 Tournament rules & conditions.

Draft Term of Competition (TOC) and Local Rules should be forwarded to the MGA at least 8 weeks before the date of the competition for approval.

3.6 Eligibility / Handicap index.

Accept participants with a current and valid NHS/USGA Handicap Indexes only. Participants without such handicaps can be accepted, but they must be informed that they can only play for gross prizes.

3.7 Results.

The full results of the competition must be submitted to MGA within three (3) working days upon completion of the competition. It is the Organizer's responsibility to ensure that the Host Club must key-in scores of all participants into the MGA World Handicap System (WHS) after completion of each leg(s). Thereafter a score report of the respective rounds should be submitted to MGA within two weeks. This is to be STRICTLY adhered failing which you may not be given sanction for future event or refundable deposit will be forfeited.

3.8 World Amateur Golf Ranking (WAGR)

Please take note that WAGR counting event required minimum 3 days tournament. Handicap required for Men is 14 and below and ladies are 18 and below. Subject to prior approval from MGA. In the event have WAGR, the final result must be submitted to MGA within 24 hours after event finish.

4. Invitations & Usage of Logo

4.1 You are encouraged to invite the officers from the Commissioner of Sports Department for the official ceremonies and also include them in the Organizing Committee.

4.2 The usage of MGA Logos is compulsory for all sanction events.

5. Sanction fees.

The following are the rates for Sanctioning:

5.1 Amateur

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| a. | Single Event Competition | : | RM 500.00 |
| b. | Multi-Event Competition | | |
| | i. 2 - 4 events | : | RM 1000.00 |
| | ii. 5 - 7 events | : | RM 1500.00 |
| | iii. 8 - 10 events | : | RM 2000.00 |
| | iv. More than 10 events | : | RM 2500.00 |
| | (Note: Excluding refundable deposit) | | |
| c. | Professional | : | RM2000.00 |

5.2 Refundable Deposit

The refundable deposit “RM 500.00” (separate cheque). This amount will be returned subject to adhering/complied all sanction requirements. Kindly prepare the cheque payable to “Persatuan Golf Malaysia”.

6. How To Apply For Sanction/License. (Form MGA 1)

6.1 Fill in the MGA 1 form concerning the proposed competitions/ events. The application must be submitted 45 days before the event.

Please state:

- Name of event/s.
- Date of event/s.
- Name & Address of organizer/s.
 - Name of company directors.
 - Person in charges and contact number.
 - Submit form 49, Form 24
 - Article of Memorandum

- d. Funding of the event. (Please elaborate)
 - Main title sponsor (attached a confirmation letter from the main sponsor)
 - Other sponsors (please state)
- e. Attach a copy of the Tournament Rules and Conditions, and the schedule of the events, if more than one (1) leg is to be conducted.

Note:

Once approved by MGA, a sanction letter will be issued. Subsequently, submit it together with your application to the 'Commissioner of Sports'.

- 6.2 When applying to the Commissioner of Sport (for event company), you are required to log on to https://erosa.kbs.gov.my/ks_user/login.php to apply the license from Commissioner of Sports. For licensing applications approved by the Commissioner of Sports, for the year 2023, no fee will be charge to event organizer.

Should you need further information please log on to <http://pps.kbs.gov.my/my/informasi/muatturun/category/14-akta-peraturan-dan-pekeliling.html>

- 6.3 Attach a copy of the Term of Competition (TOC) and the schedule of the events, if more than one (1) leg is to be conducted.
- 6.4 Please provide a copy of sanction approval letter from Commissioner of Sport to MGA via email or fax as a proof that license has been obtained.

A SANCTION AND LICENSE IS FOR ONLY ONE (1) EVENT AND VALID FOR THE CURRENT YEAR AND NOT TRANSFERABLE.

FAILING TO OBTAIN A SANCTION FROM MGA AND A LICENSE FROM THE COMMISSIONER OF SPORTS, A COMPANY IS LIABLE FOR A RM5, 000.00 FINE AND THEY MAY BE DEBARRED FROM ORGANISING EVENTS.