# Swiss Golf Open 25+ Championship 

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## Eligibility of Competitors

The Championship is open to men and women, amateur golfers as defined by the current Rules of Amateur Status. All competitors must be members of a golf club or national federation/union/association.

All competitors must be 25 years or over on day 1 of the Championship.

## Handicap limits

- Men 8.5
- Women 10.0.

The committee has the right at any time to require a player to confirm his handicap.

## Form of play - Cut

The Championship shall comprise 54 holes of stroke play over 2 days. The first two rounds are played on Saturday, the remaining round on Sunday. There will be a cut after 36 holes. The 39 best scores of the men's field (and all ties) and the 12 best scores of the women's field (and all ties) will qualify for the last round on Sunday.

## Number of Competitors

72 (51 Men and 21 Women)
If the number of entries exceeds 21 Women and/or 51 Men, places in the starting fields will be decided by handicap.

Note: the Committee reserves the right to limit the number of competitors from any country in the final starting lists and to allow Swiss Golf to rank their registered players for both the reserves and starting lists.

## Draw - Starting List

Ladies and Men form distinct groups. For the first round, the draw is done in 3 groups:

- Group 1: Amateurs with lower handicaps
- Group 2: Amateurs with higher handicaps
- Group 3: Ladies

For the first two rounds, the draw is made for the whole day with simultaneous starts on tees \# 1 and \# 10. The groups remain unchanged, except that the players who start at tee 1 will start at tee 10 in the afternoon and vice versa, so that the competitors will start once at tee 1 and once at tee 10.

For the last round, the players will be placed according to their result, the best starting last.

The starting list is published at the latest two days before the championship at 2 pm .

## Withdrawal - No Show

Any player wishing to withdraw from the championship must inform Swiss Golf or the host club before the draw. Entry fees will not be refunded for no-shows. The Swiss Golf Disciplinary Committee may sanction players who contravene repeatedly.

## Bad Weather

if either the first or second round is cancelled due to bad weather, the cut will be determined according to the only round played.

## Tees

Championship tees (Back Tee).

## Title

The winner shall be the Swiss Golf Open Champion 25+ Men/Women. The best ranked woman respectively man of Swiss nationality shall be the Swiss Golf National Champion Stroke Play 25+ Women/Men

## Decision of Ties

In case of a tie for 1st place of the championship, or for the title of the Swiss Golf National Champion, the winner shall be determined by sudden-death play-off on at beforehand announced holes. The play-off shall start as soon as practicable after the final competitors have finished their round. In case of a tie for any subsequent places: the last 18 holes will be decisive, then in case of new tie, the last 9, then the last 6, then the last 3, then the last hole, in the order of the scorecard.

## Practice round

Participants are entitled to play one free round on the competition course on one of the two days preceding a Swiss Golf Championship.

## Trophies

A trophy will be presented to the winners of the Swiss Golf Open 25+ Championship as well as to the National Champions 25+. Trophies may be
cumulated. Players at positions 1 to 3 will be awarded a medal.

## Entry Fee and Score Card

The entry fee must be paid directly upon inscription online.

The scorecard is handed out at the 1st tee for all rounds.

## Registration

All competitors must register online.
Inscriptions will open 1 month before the championship and close the Wednesday the week before the championship at 23 h 00 .

## Caddies

No restrictions on who may caddie (professional or amateur). A player may caddie for another player before or after his own game.

## Rules

The championship will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R\&A Ltd, the Swiss Golf General Rules, the Swiss Golf Hard Card and with the additional Local Rules approved by the Committee.

The General Rules (French \& German) and Hard Card (English, French, German \& Italian) may be accessed on our website: http://www.swissgolf.ch/en/our-sport/handicap-rules/rules/

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