

2019 WESTERN CANADA SUMMER GAMES GOLF TECHNICAL PACKAGE

Every Games' coach, manager, Sport Chairperson and Mission staff has an obligation to read and understand every aspect of the Technical Package. Failure to do so could cost an athlete his or her eligibility for the Games as well as affect final standings or the conduct of the competition. If someone does not understand an aspect of a Technical Package, he or she is to seek clarification from the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council through his or her Chef de Mission or Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization.

Technical Packages are developed primarily by the Western Canada Games Technical Committee in conjunction with the various Provincial/Territorial Sport Organizations, following principles, guidelines and requirements of the Western Canada Games Council. As the overall governing body of the Games, the Council has the ultimate authority for Technical Packages.

If an individual wishes to initiate a change to a Technical Package leading up to a Games, the desired change should be first directed to the Provincial/Territorial Sport Organization or the Chef de Mission. The P/TSO or Chef will evaluate the merits of the change and will, if it has merit, submit the requested change to the Technical Committee of the Western Canada Games Council. The P/TSO or Chef will submit the rationale for the change. Changes to age groups, eligibility requirements, team sizes or staff complements will not be considered after three years prior to the Games. Substantive changes to events or competition formats will not be considered after 18 months before the Games. Minor corrections will be considered at almost any time, but will be increasingly difficult to achieve within six months of the Games. Changes made by the NSO's regarding WCSG alignment to the Canada Games will not be considered after April 1, 2018. These time frames reinforce the importance of complete understanding of the Technical Package early.

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ATHLETE ELIGIBILITY

1. The Western Canada Summer Games are open to Canadian citizens and landed immigrants.
2. The Games are open to athletes who are members in good standing of their provincial/territorial and/or national sport organization.
3. An athlete's permanent domicile or actual residence must be located, for at least 180 days prior to the opening of the Games, within the recognized boundaries of the province or territory they are representing. An athlete can have only one domicile.
4. Students attending school on a full-time basis outside their province/territory of permanent residence during the year of the Games shall be permitted to compete for either their province/territory of permanent residence or the province/territory in which the athlete attends school. To be eligible to compete for the province/territory where the athlete attends school, the student must be enrolled on a full-time basis during the academic year preceding the Games.
5. If a non-student athlete attends a recognized national training centre outside his or her province/territory of permanent residence, the athlete is encouraged to represent his or her province/territory of permanent residence; however, the athlete could represent the province/territory where the centre is located under the terms of paragraph (6), below.
6. Exceptions to the domicile requirement will be possible if the athlete can demonstrate a commitment to the province/territory she or he wishes to represent by such means as having been a member of a club or provincial/territorial sport organization in that province/territory for the entire previous competitive season, having represented that province or territory at a previous national or regional championship or having attended school full-time the previous academic year or a recognized national training centre full-time during the previous 12 months. Other similar circumstances may be considered.
7. Competitors must meet all eligibility requirements outlined in the Technical Package.
8. An athlete is permitted to try out for only one province or territory per Games.
9. An athlete may participate in more than one sport, provided the sports occur in different phases of the Games.
10. The Technical Committee of the Council shall determine the eligibility of any athlete that is not clearly established by these rules and by the Technical Package. **Coaches or PSOs/TSOs must bring forward any cases in question to their Chef de Mission as early as possible before the competition for forwarding to the Technical Committee.**
11. Where a team/province/territory/Chef wishes to challenge the eligibility of an athlete on another provincial/territorial team, it is expected that such a challenge will be made as soon as the protesting team knows that an athlete may be ineligible. Every effort must be made to ensure that protests on eligibility are lodged before an athlete competes.

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Summary of Draft Changes to Technical Package

Date	Details	Initiated By	Status
March 30, 2017	4.1 Clarify coaching requirements	Sport tech	Approved
March 30, 2017	6.1 Clarify scoring for team play	Sport tech	TBD

Summary of Denied Proposals of Change to Technical Package

Date	Proposal	Initiated By	Rational for proposal being denied

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1. Sport: **GOLF**

2. Participants:

- 2.1. **Competitors:** 5 male athletes
5 female athletes
- 2.2. **Staff:** 1 coach
1 manager
one of whom must be male
one of whom must be female
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3. **Classification:** Must be under 17 years of age as of August 1, 2019

*Note: The age classification is to allow potential athletes to compete at future Multi-Sport games such as Canada Games.

4. Eligibility:

4.1 **Coaches:**

Any staff listed as coach on the official registration form must be fully certified under the PGA of Canada, Coaching New Competitors Program (CNC) or of a higher designation in the sport of Golf.

Coaching certification must be completed no later than ninety (90) days before the opening of the Games.

4.2 **Athletes:**

4.2.1 All athletes must meet the Western Canada Games Eligibility criteria, as outlined in Appendix 1 which forms an integral part of this Technical Package.

4.2.2 Excluded from the Games are:

- a) Current Canadian national senior golf team members as of 2018.
- b) Current senior card holders (as defined by Sport Canada's Athlete Assistance Program).

4.3 **Interpretation:**

4.3.1 Athletes who are de-carded or dropped from the Canadian national golf team prior to May 1, 2019 are **eligible**, providing they meet all other Western Canada Summer Games eligibility criteria.

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5. Competition:

5.1 **Rules:**

Play is governed by the most current Golf Canada Rules of Golf, and where applicable, by any local rules and conditions.

5.2 **Sanction:**

The competition is sanctioned by Golf Canada and the Provincial Golf Associations.

5.3 **Equipment:**

14 clubs maximum per player. Players' equipment must conform with the provision, specifications, and interpretations set forth in Appendix 2 of the current Golf Canada Rules of Golf.

5.4 **Event Format:**

Team Competition – 36 hole stroke play (Please note, at least 3 athletes of the same gender are required to compete in the team event.)

Individual Competition – 54 hole stroke play

Day 1 – Practice Round

Day 2 – Team/Individual (Round 1)

Day 3 – Team/Individual (Round 2)

Day 4 – Individual (Final Round)

Officials will move the girl's tees prior to boys arriving.

The Golf Canada Pace of Play Policy will be enforced during the competition.

5.5 **Seeding:**

Draw – Round 1

The draw for round one will be random. Play will be in groups of three or as required at nine minute intervals. Team members will play one after another, however each group will be made up of players from different provinces and territories. The draw and schedule for the first round as well as the schedule for the Championship will be done by the host organizing committee in consultation with Golf Canada appointed technical representative and be available at registration.

Standing at the End of the First Round – Draw – Round 2

Team ranking will be determined following the first round, with round two tee-times being adjusted based on score – leaders (team) will tee off last.

Draw – Round 3

Individual ranking will be determined following the second round, with round three tee times being adjusted based on score – leaders (individual) will tee off last.

5.6 **Protests:**

All protest shall be filed in accordance with the Western Canada Games Protest Procedures, which are attached as Appendix 2 and form an integral part of this technical package.

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6. Scoring Procedures:

6.1 **Stroke Play - Team scores:**

Each Team will count their Lowest 3 of 4 scores per hole each day.– these scores will represent their team total. The win goes to the team with the lowest aggregate total following 36-holes.

6.2 **Stroke Play - Individual scores:**

Each individual player will post a score each day. The win goes to the lowest aggregate individual total following 54-holes.

6.3 **Tie Breaking Rule:**

6.3.1 Tie Breaking – Team

A play-off will be conducted if two or more teams are tied for any medal placing. Pairings of groups will be the responsibility of the Tournament Rules Chair, with higher scores teed off first. Formats for Team Playoffs are as follows:

Two Team Play-off

Best three of four scores to count cumulative total.

Competitors are divided into two groups; two players from each province in each group.

Lot will determine order of play. Team members will play alternately. For example if Team A wins the draw, Team A hits first and Team B hits next. The pairing would thus go A - B, A - B. Pairing of the second group will be in the same order as the first pairing. Pairing of groups will be the responsibility of the tournament director.

After completion of the first play-off hole, the first group shall wait for the second group to complete play of the hole.

If the teams are still tied, they will continue using the same format.

No competitor or team captain may give advice to a fellow-competitor or team member.

Three Team Play-off

Best three of four scores to count Cumulative total.

Competitors are divided into four groups; one player from each province in each group; a total of three players in each group.

Order of play will be drawn by lot with Team A playing first, Team B playing second and Team C playing third. Each subsequent pairing shall play in the same order as the first pairing. Pairing of groups will be the responsibility of the tournament director.

Each group shall wait for the other groups to complete play of the first play-off hole. If the teams are still tied, they shall continue play using the same format.

If one team is eliminated, the format will revert to the two team play-off format.

No competitor or team captain may give advice to a fellow-competitor or team member.

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Four Team Play-off

Best three of four scores to count.
Competitors are divided into four groups; one player from each province in each group; a total of four players in each group.
Order of play will be drawn by lot with Team A playing first, Team B playing second, Team C playing third and Team D playing fourth. Each subsequent pairing shall play in the same order as the first pairing. Pairing of groups will be the responsibility of the tournament director.

Each Group shall wait for the other groups to complete play of the first play-off hole. If the teams are still tied, they shall continue play using the same format.

If one team is eliminated, the format reverts to the three team play-off format. If two teams are eliminated, the format reverts to the two team play-off format.

No competitor or team captain may give advice to a fellow-competitor or team captain.

NOTE: The Tournament Rules Chair will conduct all play-offs. Holes to be used for playoffs will be determined by committee at the event location.

6.3.2 Tie Breaking – Individuals

If two or more individuals are tied for Gold following 54 holes, a hole by hole sudden victory play-off will take place as per note above. The order of play at the play-off hole will be determined by lot, the players involved in the play-off being asked to pick a numbered piece of paper. The first player to post the score will be asked to select first and will go in the order indicated on the paper. The player picking #1 must play first, #2 second, and so on.

6.4 Scoring:

6.4.1 Stroke Play – Team will be scored as follows:

Place	Points
1 st	100
2 nd	90
3 rd	80
4 th	70
5 th	60
6 th	50

*if teams are tied for 4th-6th, all tied teams will receive the sport scoring point

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total for the tied position (i.e. if two teams are tied for 4th, each team would receive a sport scoring total of 65 points and the team in 6th place would receive a sport score total of 50 points).

6.4.2 Stroke Play – Individual:

Men and women will be ranked separately. In the individual events there are 28 scoring positions, with points awarded for 1st through 28th as follows:

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1 st	70	11 th	34	21 st	24
2 nd	65	12 th	33	22 nd	23
3 rd	60	13 th	32	23 rd	22
4 th	56	14 th	31	24 th	21
5 th	52	15 th	30		
6 th	48	16 th	29		
7 th	44	17 th	28		
8 th	41	18 th	27		
9 th	38	19 th	26		
10 th	35	20 th	25		

*if tied for placing, all tied players will receive the point scoring total for their tied position (i.e. if three individuals were tied for 4th, each individual player would receive a sport scoring total of 52 points and the next individual player in 7th position, would receive a point score of 44.)

7. Provincial/Territorial Ranking:

7.1 For an event to be eligible for Provincial/Territorial points, three (3) or more provinces/territories must participate.

7.2 Once the scoring procedure for the sport determines a winner, points for the aggregate award will be as follows:

1 st place - 7 points	4 th place - 4 points
2 nd place - 6 points	5 th place - 3 points
3 rd place - 5 points	6 th place - 2 points

Final Provincial point standings will be the total number of points after the scoring of the team competition. Separate points will be awarded for the men's and women's competition. The maximum number of points a province could receive is fourteen (14).

7.3 Tie Breaking:

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If a tie occurs in an overall team standing between two provinces/territories, points will be combined and divided by two i.e., 1st and 2nd – 7 points + 6 points divided by 2 = 6.5 points each.

8. Competitive Uniform:

- 8.1 The Golf Canada/ Golf Saskatchewan Dress Code is in effect during the entire event. If you have any questions, please consult with a Golf Canada/ Golf Saskatchewan Tournament Official.
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9. Medals:

- 9.1 Gold, silver and bronze awards will be presented to first, second and third place finishers, on an individual basis, and for the team event (4 competitors).

9.2	Medals:	20 Gold	20 Silver	20 Bronze
	Men (team):	8 Gold	8 Silver	8 Bronze
	Women (team):	8 Gold	8 Silver	8 Bronze
	Men (individual):	2 Gold	2 Silver	2 Bronze
	Women (individual)	2 Gold	2 Silver	2 Bronze