



Portuguese Golf Federation

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The 83rd Portuguese International Amateur Championship will be played at the Montado Golf Resort , between the 30th of January and 02nd of February under the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. The Championship is to be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Limited, and the Local Rules as approved by the Championship Committee.
2. The Championship shall be decided over 4 rounds of Stroke Play, 18 holes each day.
3. The 40 lowest scores over the first 54 holes including ties shall qualify for the 4th and final round. The remainder will be eliminated.
4. In the event of a tie after 4 rounds, the Championship shall be decided by a sudden death play-off.
5. The play-off shall start as soon as practicable after the last players have finished their round.

ELIGIBILITY

90 Competitors shall be eligible to compete, with a exact handicap of 6,0 strokes or better, certified by the respective Handicap authority and must have been valid on the date of entry. If the number of entries exceeds 90, places in the starting field will be decided by handicap ballot.

EXEMPTIONS

The following will be exempt from the ballot provided they satisfy the handicap requirements:

1. Past Champions of Portuguese International Amateur Championship, over the last ten years.
2. Current Portuguese National Champion.
3. Current Portuguese Golf Federation Cup Champion.
4. Ten players nominated by the PGF.
5. Ten Portuguese players with any handicap, nominated by the PGF.

GENERAL RULES

1. The ball the player uses must be named on the current List of Conforming Golf Balls issued by The R&A Rules Limited.

Penalty for breach of conditions: disqualification.



NATIONS CUP

- 1.This Cup will be played simultaneously with the first 54 holes of the Championship, by National Teams.
- 2.National Teams shall be composed by a minimum of two players and a maximum of three players.
- 3.Each country may enter as many teams as they wish.
- 4.The result of the team will be obtained by sum of the two lowest scores of each day.
- 5.In the event of a tie, the total score of the third player will determine the winning team. If a tie persists, the two lowest scores of each team on the last 18 holes will be considered. If necessary, the team with the lowest individual score will be proclaimed winner and finally, by ballot.

PRIZES

- 1.The Trophy "Taça Internacional Amador de Portugal" will remain property of the Portuguese Golf Federation and will be deposited at the P.G.F.
- 2.Each year, the name of the winner and the date of the Championship will be engraved on the Trophy.
- 3.The Champion and the runner-up will receive a Trophy provided by the P.G.F.

ENTRIES

- 1.Entries must be received only on the official Entry Form.
- 2.Entrants must confirm in all respects to the Rules of Amateur Status and shall sign the declaration to that effect contained in the Entry Form.
- 3.Entry Form must be received by the Portuguese Golf Federation not later than 1 p.m. (Local Time) on Friday, 11th of January 2013, by mail or fax fully completed.
- 4.The entry fee is Euros 100, and can be paid on arrival, by mailed cheque payable to the Portuguese Golf Federation or bank transfer.
- 5.Entries will be considered officially received after posted on the PGF website-www.fpg.pt.
- 6.All entries shall be subject to the approval of the Championship Committee which reserves the right to accept or refuse any entry without giving reason for its decision, which shall be final.

All Players must be entered through their National Federation / Association / Union. Entries failing this condition will only be accepted in special cases.

REGISTRATION

- 1.Competitors are requested to register at the Club House immediately on arrival, but not later than 12 p.m. hours the day before the Championship starts.

PROGRAM

29th January	Practice round
30th January	18 holes Stroke Play / Nations' Cup
31st January	18 holes Stroke Play / Nations' Cup
01st February	18 holes Stroke Play / Nations' Cup Cut for the 40 lowest scores and ties
02nd February	Final Round 18 holes Stroke Play

CHAMPIONSHIP COMMITTEE

The P.G.F. will nominate the members of the Championship Committee and Referees.

The Championship Committee will take all decisions concerning to the organization of the Championship and will interpret these rules and conditions and may assume any rights granted by the Rules of Golf.

The Championship Committee reserves the right to change any conditions at any time.

