

## **NEDBANK SA DISABLED GOLF OPEN – 2-4 May 2016**

### **CODE OF CONDUCT AND RULES**

The 2016 Nedbank South African Disabled Golf Open will be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as established by the R & A Rules Limited together with such Local Rules as established by the event organising committee. In addition, the modifications for handicapped golfers, as established by the R&A are applicable.

SADGA and its organising committee are responsible for organising and running the Nedbank South African Disabled Golf Open 2016.

### **CONDUCT**

**You are obliged:**

1. To comply with all requests for information from SADGA and/or the Organising Committee as expeditiously as possible; to abide by the requests regarding availability for media interviews etc; to participate in all official functions organised by Sponsors / Organising Committee and/or SADGA to which you are invited. Any costs incurred by SADGA due to your failure to comply/attend will be passed to you directly.
2. To adhere to the Dress Code. Dress Code on the golf course:  
Men: long or tailored short trousers, no shorter than just above the knee, shirts with short sleeves/collar or with long sleeves/collar, acknowledged golfing attire and predominantly white socks.  
Women: acknowledged golfing attire.
3. To show loyalty toward the sponsors of the Nedbank SA Disabled Golf Open 2016 by not advertising any opponent merchandise in any form or manner.
4. To behave in an acceptable manner to reflect favourably on the sponsors, organising committee and SADGA.
5. To ensure that you are punctual for start times, event meetings, interviews that you have accepted, for meetings with organising officials, etc.  
  
A) The following general conduct can never be condoned
  - Bad language (on or off the golf course).
  - Rowdy behavior at any time (even when celebrating a victory).
  - Over-indulgence in the use of alcohol and the use of any banned substance (on or off the golf course). Random alcohol and drug tests may be performed. Any Competitor who fails such tests or refuses to take a test if asked to do so, may be disqualified

- Any form of physical fighting (on or off the golf course ).
- Any form of verbal abuse (on or off the golf course).
- Negative influences on fellow participants (on or off the golf course).
- Any form of political, religious or racial propaganda/demonstrations.

B) To ensure fair and equal competition the following will be agreed upon

- To observe and comply with the anti-doping provisions referred to in the WADA list of banned substances; not to have in possession or attempt to have in possession any drug or medication which have not been approved in writing by a medical person.
- To submit to doping control whenever and wherever requested by officials and to hand over all the relevant forms regarding doping control to the Organising Committee for safe keeping.  
Go to [www.drugfreesport.org.za](http://www.drugfreesport.org.za) for more information.

## **GENERAL RULES**

1. The players are responsible for familiarizing themselves with the Conditions of the Competition, 'Local Rules' and any "Additional Local Rules" as posted on the Tournament Notice Boards.
2. Mobile telephones should be in silent mode and may only be used on the golf course in case of an emergency.
3. The use of motorized carts is permitted for all competitors.
4. Only accredited caddies/helpers will be allowed; it is essential that you make your requirements clear to the Tournament Committee on your entry form.
5. The pace of play will be monitored by the Referees and Marshals.
6. Where accommodation has been arranged by the Organising Committee, no changes to these arrangements may be made without the consent of the Organising Committee.
7. The order of play and groupings shall be in accordance with the order of play and groupings as laid down by the Organising Committee.
8. The player is personally responsible for knowing his/her own starting time.
9. The Organising Committee reserves the rights to alter starting times if deemed necessary.
10. The player should arrive at his starting tee ten minutes before starting time.
11. The Organising Committee reserves the right to discontinue play and/or cancel a round in case of potentially dangerous weather conditions. Players must familiarise themselves with the signals in use for suspension of play as detailed in the Tournament Brochure.
12. A player is permitted to discontinue play if he believes there is danger from lightning, or if there is some other good reason such as sudden illness. He shall report to the Committee as soon as practicable to explain the reason for discontinuing play.

12. Etiquette is an important part of the game and in the case of a serious breach of etiquette the Disciplinary Committee has the authority to disqualify a player;

The above will be strictly enforced by the Organising Committee with a zero tolerance attitude. A Disciplinary Committee will form for the duration of the event and all contraventions of the above, major or minor, will be referred to the Committee. The decision of the committee shall be final.

The disciplinary committee shall consist of the following

- SADGA Executive Director
- Tournament Rules Officials
- Zwartkop Country Club Golf Director

### **DISCIPLINARY PROCEDURES/DISPUTES**

1. Transgressors will be notified in writing, the notice will include the time and place of any Disciplinary hearing, and they will be requested to sign the notification as an acknowledgement of receipt. Failure to attend the meeting will be taken as an acknowledgement of guilt.
2. Representations will be allowed but the decision of the Disciplinary Committee will be final.
3. Your signature on the Entry Form is an indication that you have read the above and agree to abide by the content.