

## Policy No.2

# Requirements for the Conduct of NSWVGA Weeks of Golf and Responsibilities of Tournament Directors

### Introduction

These are some basic requirements, aimed at achieving consistency in Weeks of Golf, that Tournament Directors and organizing committees conducting tournaments under the auspices of the NSWVGA should be aware:

### Nomination Forms.

When compiling a nomination form, the form must show the conditions as set out below. This includes such things as ***“UNDER THE AUSPICES OF NSWVGA”***, ***“DAILY HANDICAPPING”***, **NSWVGA Logo** and nominating what programmed events will be used for the NSWVGA Shield and Voucher.

### Eligibility

To be eligible to compete in a NSWVGA event a player must:

***Be a current financial member of NSWVGA.***

## **Grading During a Week of Golf**

Grades or divisions for an event must be decided before play commences, using players' Golf Australia handicaps or the Daily Handicap that applies on that course. The player then remains in that division for the remainder of the event no matter what handicap adjustments occur during the event.

## **Handicapping during a Week of Golf**

A player is entitled to play off his/her correct, adjusted handicap each day of an event. All scores should be forwarded to Golf Link after each round for the necessary adjustment, not only for downward adjustment. The practice of "freezing" handicaps for the duration of an event is not desirable. If this practice does occur Tournament Directors MUST indicate on their entry forms the procedures that will apply. Should the event be 36/54 holes, consider it as an "aggregate" event.

## ***Awarding of Trophies***

***The aim of this policy is to encourage Tournament Directors not to award multiple trophies to any one player, with some exceptions. It was introduced at the request of members who regularly attend many of the Weeks of Golf. In our experience, many of the Weeks of Golf, where TDs award multiple trophies, struggle to maintain the number of visitors in ensuing years. It is the expectation of this organization that Tournament Directors adhere to this policy in any event conducted under the auspices of the NSWVGA.***

In all individual stableford events conducted under the auspices of the NSWVGA, 18,36 or 54 holes, a player may receive one trophy only, of the highest value, with the exception being that the same player may also win the NSWVGA shield and voucher.

### **Order of Precedence for 36- and 54-Hole Events**

This applies where the presentation is conducted at the conclusion of the event.

1. Determine 36/54 hole Nett/Gross trophy recipients , Runners Up and Second Runners Up. Eliminate from all other events.
2. Determine Day 1 winner each grade Eliminate from all other events
3. Determine Day 2 winner each grade Eliminate from all other events
4. Determine Day 3 winner each grade Eliminate from all other events
5. Determine days 1,2 and 3 runners up Eliminate from all other events
6. Determine days 1,2 and 3 second runners up.

***Note: If Tournament Directors choose to hold a presentation before the event is finalised this system does not work. The Tournament Director should then restructure the week to accommodate this section of the policy.***

Where daily 18-hole events are played follow steps 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 above but hold the presentation at the end of the week.

### **Refunds**

Tournament Directors are advised to have a policy on refunds clearly stated in the Conditions of Play and that policy should be generous in terms of the amount refunded and considerate of those seeking refunds.

## **Cancelled Days (bad weather)**

Tournament Directors are advised to declare their intentions in the event of day/days lost to bad weather. Best practice suggests that any form of compensatory refund will work in your favour for future tournaments.

## **Management Procedure to be used for the awarding of NSWVGA Trophies.**

- 1.** The NSWVGA Trophy event is conducted at each “Week of Golf” in the NSWVGA tournament program except for the NSWVGA Stroke play, Match play, Sand green Stroke play, Sand green 4BBB, and Sand green Mixed 4BBB Championships.
- 2.** All players must have played at least two days of the week of golf to play for the NSWVGA Shield and Voucher.
- 3.** The Trophy is a Perpetual Shield for both Men and Ladies which is retained by the Golf Club conducting the event. Winners are presented with a mini-Shield provided by NSWVGA.

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