

# Orchid Country Club Selection Trials for 2024 SGA Inter-Club League Terms of Trials

## 1. **GENERAL**

- a. The Selection Trials for 2024 SGA Inter-Club League (ICL) is a Stableford event without Handicap Allowances (Gross Stableford) and is open to all golfing members (Gold, Silver, Weekday Term) of Orchid Country Club and members of My Golf Kaki (MGK).<sup>1</sup>
- b. Members of SGA National, Development and Junior Squads will not be eligible for the Selection Trials.
- c. The Trials shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf published by the R&A and the Local Rules as listed and approved by the League Committee.

#### 2. **ELIGIBILITY**

- a. Players must conform in all respects with the Rules of Amateur Status as promulgated by the R&A and possess a valid WHS Handicap Index consisting of a scoring record of 12 months and is within the stipulated range in their respective Divisions.
- b. A player's eligibility to play in the various Divisions will be based on the lowest computed SGA CHS Handicap Index that a player has held from 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2023 to 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2024 revision dates (inclusive).<sup>2</sup> The handicap eligibility for each division will be announced by SGA at a later date.
- c. A player who breaches any eligibility criteria will be disqualified.

#### 3. SELECTION PROCESS AND CRITERIA

a. A total of 6 Trial dates will be conducted. A player must have at least three
 (3) Trial games to be eligible for the Selection Trials, up to the maximum of 6 games.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> To participate in the Selection Trials, Men and Ladies should have Handicap of 18.0 or less.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Lowest Computed Handicap: SGA CHS App → Handicap Details → Handicap History



- b. Three (3) Best Trial scores will be used as the reference for evaluation. If there is a tie, the higher number of Eagles/Birdies/Pars may be used.
- c. Should there be less than six (6) entries for the Selection Trials, the League Committee will conduct the Selection at their own discretion.
- d. The Divisions and number of representation slots are shown in the table.

Division		Selection Criteria in a Round	Handicap Range
Men	Premier	13 Pars & 2 Birdies / 16 Pars or 32 points	No restriction
	Α	9 Pars & 1 Birdies / 10 Pars or 20 points	TBC <sup>3</sup>
	В		TBC₃
	Senior (50 years & above) <sup>4</sup>		No restriction
Ladies	А	10 Pars & 2 Birdies / 12 Pars or 24 points	No restriction
	В	8 Pars & 1 Birdies / 10 Pars or 20 points	TBC₃
	Evergreen (50 years & above) <sub>4</sub>		No restriction

- e. A player will not choose which Division he/she will compete in. The League Committee will deploy the players to relevant Divisions (after selection and Handicap range determined by SGA) to maximize the chances of winning for Team OCC.
- f. Players will be assessed, other than playing capability, on various factors including Commitment, Performance, Match Temperament, Availability, Team Spiritedness, Exposure to Other Courses and Competitiveness.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Handicap Range will be determined by SGA in Jan 2024.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Calculated as of 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2024.



- g. The League Committee's decision is final in the selection of League players as well as each player's deployment in the Division.
- h. The League Captain may appoint up to 2 players per division to the 2024 SGA ICL League Team.
- i. Should there be deviations due to inclement weather, the Club has the discretion to use the available scores of the affected golfers for comparison.

# 4. FORMAT OF PLAY

a. The format will be a Gross Stableford format across all Trial Divisions. The hole-by-hole scoring will be as follows:

Score per hole (Gross)	No. of Stableford points	
Albatross/Double Eagle	5	
Eagle	4	
Birdie	3	
Par	2	
Bogey	1	
Double Bogey and more	0	

- b. Players must stop playing a hole when they have reached the number of strokes that will result in zero points (i.e., Double Bogey). If a player is reported by the flight mates for playing beyond double bogey, 2 points will be deducted from his/her final score.
- c. Men will tee off from the **BLUE** tee box, and Ladies will tee off the **RED** tee box for the Selection Trials.
- d. All players must hole-out and there are no "gimme" putts, if the players are still in contention for points.

#### 5. WITHDRAWAL/CANCELLATION

a. Any cancellation made after the pairing list is finalised and sent to the players will be subject to a penalty fee of the prevailing green fee and buggy fee for the day, unless valid or medical reasons with documentation proof are provided.



b. A 'NO SHOW' penalty of \$226.80 (incl. GST) applies to all players who do not show up or cancel on the date of play, unless due to valid or medical reasons with documentation proof.

#### 6. PAIRING

- a. The pairing list will be sent to all players at least 5 days before each Trial date. Any requests to pair up is strictly not allowed.
- b. It is the responsibility of the players to check their dates and tee times. The Club will not call the players to inform them of their tee times.
- c. Last minute pairing of players due to "No Show" will be decided by the League Committee. The League Committee's decision on the pairing will be final.

# 7. <u>SUSPENSION OF PLAY DUE TO A DANGEROUS SITUATION OR INCLEMENT WEATHER</u>

- a. Suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signaled using the Club's warning system. The penalty for breach of Rule 5.7b is Disqualification.
- b. In the event when a suspension of play occurs, resulting in the ability for the Trials to continue, the Club may at any time declare the play abandoned, based on the following: -
  - Players teeing off from different 9s
  - Insufficient time for completion of an 18-hole round based on last flight's position
- c. In the event of suspension due to inclement weather or any other causes, players are strictly not allowed to withdraw their names from the Trials, unless the Selection Trials for the day were abandoned by the League Committee.
- d. Players who violate this clause will not be allowed to participate in the subsequent Selection Trials.



e. Cut-off will be based on daily sunset, Singapore time. Players must stop play and return to the Clubhouse immediately.

## 8. SUBMISSION OF SCORECARDS

- a. Players should check their cards in the returning area (scoring table) and ensure that they are correctly signed and counter-signed by their marker. Any doubtful points should be settled with the Tournament Director (TD) before returning the scorecard.
- b. A player is deemed to have returned his/her scorecard, and no further amendments may be made once he/she has left the returning area (scoring table) or the demarcated area where they exist.

#### 9. CODE OF CONDUCT

- a. All players should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship always, irrespective of how competitive they may be.
- b. Any action contrary to the spirit of the game, such as abusive language, throwing of clubs, or other disruptive behaviors, will not be tolerated and may result in a disqualification from the trials.

#### 10. AMENDMENTS TO TERMS OF TRIALS

- a. The Club and/or League Committee reserves the right to amend the Terms of Trials.
- b. If circumstances such as inclement weather affect the number of holes that can be played in the time available, the Terms of Trials may be altered to accommodate the circumstances. Similarly, if those circumstances mean the planned format cannot be accommodated in the time available, the format of the Trial may be changed.

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