



## QUALIFYING SCHOOL LEG 1/2024

TIARA MELAKA GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB, MELAKA  
(MEADOW & WOODLAND COURSE)  
20<sup>TH</sup> TO 22<sup>ND</sup> FEBRUARY 2024

### TERMS OF COMPETITION

#### 1. Management

TOYOTA Tour Qualifying School Leg 1/2024 is a 54-hole “Closed Tournament” and is managed by Professional Golf of Malaysia (PGM), hereinafter referred to as “the Committee”. All decisions by the Committee shall be final.

#### 2. Date and Venue (*Partner Club*)

TOYOTA Tour Qualifying School Leg 1/2024 will be held on **20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2024** at **Tiara Melaka Golf & Country Club** (Meadow and Woodland Course, Par 72), Melaka, Malaysia.

#### 3. Schedule

- a. Mon, 19-Feb-2024 : Registration – 7:15 am to 12:00 noon.  
: Official Practice Round – 7:30 am to 4:00 pm.  
: Last tee time for Practice Round – 1:00 pm.  
: Course closure – 4:00 pm.  
: Refer to Tournament Noticeboard for Course Control.  
: **Motorized transportation is not allowed.**
- b. Tue, 20-Feb-2024 : Round 1 starts at 7:30 am.  
: Men & Ladies Stage 1 \* cut-line.  
: **\* Cut line +25 and below after Round 1**
- c. Wed, 21-Feb-2024 : Round 2 starts at 7:30 am.  
: Men & Ladies Stage 2 \*\* cut-line  
: **\*\* Cut line +20 and below after Round 2**  
: Orientation Program – **Session 1**,  
: 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm. *Refer to separate programme posted on Noticeboard.*
- d. Thu, 22-Feb-2024 : Final Round starts at 7:30 am.  
: • Prize Giving will start as soon as practicable, after all players submitted their scorecards.  
: • **\*\*\* Qualified +15 and below after Final Round**  
: • Orientation Program – **Session 2**, 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm.  
: • **Session 2 is only for players who have qualified. (Refer to separate programme posted on Noticeboard)**  
: • *Players who have qualified and attended Orientation Program **Session 1 and Session 2** (both) will be issued with PGM Card and Certificate of Attendance.*  
: • *Orientation Program Instructor is the Tournament Director, and/or appointed individual(s).*

#### 4. Eligibility

- a. The current PGM Card holder who wish to renew their Tour Card which is due to expire **within six (6) months** from the expiry date.
- b. Validity of the PGM Card commences after the player has qualified and attended the both Orientation sessions. The Card is valid for 12 months from the date of Final Round.
- c. The current Malaysian members of the Professional Golf Association of Malaysia (PGAM).
- d. Malaysian amateur golfers with MGA WHS or USGA Handicap Index of **7.0 and below**.
- e. If a player is not in possession of MGA WHS, they must submit a document stating their game ability and capability officially certified by the General Manager or the Secretary of their Club or by their teaching professional to the Tournament Director on or before **12:00 noon, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.
- f. Covid 19 Guidelines & SOP (refer item 23).
- g. Any other criteria as per PGM Players' Handbook.

#### 5. Entries and Registration

- a. Entries are to be submitted to PGM office on or before **12:00 noon, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**. Late entries will not be processed/accepted.
- b. All players must register themselves at the Tournament Office on **Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 from 7:00 am to 12:00 noon**. A player who is unable to register in person must advise the Committee of their expected arrival.
- c. **Entry fee of RM1000** per player is to be remitted to:  
**PGM Maybank Bank Account: 5643 2433 9764** on or before **12:00 noon, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2024**.
- d. **The field is limited to ninety (90) players only** (combined Men and Ladies), based on the entry fee's payment date and time. Any additional player/s (who have already paid before the closing date and time) will be placed on standby (reserve) list.
- e. PGM has the right to accept and/or reject any entry if it considers in conflict with the interest of PGM.
- f. A player who failed to register and/or remit the entry fee in full by the required date and time will be removed from the Players Entry List.

#### 6. Withdrawal

- a. All withdrawals must be approved by the Committee.
- b. If a player withdraws **before** the closing date, **no penalty** will be imposed.

#### 7. Practice Round

- a. Official practice round is on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2024 from 7:30 am to 1:00 pm.
- b. Use of buggy during the practice round is **not permitted** and all players playing in the tournament are to walk.
- c. Please refer to Course Control on Tournament Noticeboard for more details.

#### 8. Form of Play

- a. The tournament shall be played over **three (3) rounds of 18 holes** (total of 54 holes).
- b. Qualifying score after the three (3) rounds is the total gross score of 15-Over Par and below, and those who have qualified are eligible to play on the PGM & Toyota Tour.
- c. The qualified players will be issued with a PGM Card which is valid for one (1) year from the Qualifying School Final Round date. The PGM Card is only recognized within PGM.
- d. In the event of conditions or circumstances that make the playing of 54 holes impracticable, the Committee has the sole right to postpone or cancel any round at its discretion. This being the case, the qualifying scores after two (2) stipulated rounds are total gross score of 10-Over Par or below.
- e. **Qualifying to Round 2:** The cut-line is set **at 25-Over Par and below** for Men and Ladies for Round 1.
- f. **Qualifying to Final Round:** The cut-line is set **at 20-Over Par and below** for Men and Ladies, the accumulation of total gross scores for the **first two (2) rounds** (Round 1 and Round 2).

## 9. Caddies (Rule 10.3)

- a. A player is **not allowed** to carry their own bag.
- b. The player is requested to bring their own caddie as there may not have caddies available to carry the bag at the partner club.
- c. Caddie fee is RM120.00 per round not inclusive tips.
- d. A player is limited to one caddie at any one time.
- e. A PGM Card Holder and/or a professional who is a member of PGAM is **not permitted** to be a caddie.
- f. A partner club employee cannot be engaged as a caddie unless authorized by the Tournament Director.
- g. A player shall at all times be liable for the actions of their caddie and shall ensure their caddie complies with the Terms of Competition and other regulations.
- h. **Caddies must wear the PGM/Toyota Tour caddie vest at all times.** The vest should be returned to the Tournament Office after use. A RM100 fine will be imposed if a vest is damaged, lost or not returned, as required.
- i. Littering within the golf course is an automatic fine of RM200, applicable to the player who breach the guidelines.

## 10. Starting Time and Playing Group

- a. Play will be in groups of threes throughout the Tournament.
- b. The starting times and playing groups for Round 1 shall be determined by the Committee, whilst the starting times and playing groups for Round 2 and the Final Round will be arranged in accordance to the total gross scores, i.e. the lowest total gross score tees off last on the front nine and the highest total gross score tees off last on the back nine.
- c. The Committee has the sole right to rearrange the starting time and playing group at its discretion.

## 11. Prize Money

- a. The prize money (combined for both Men and Ladies) are as follows:

Placing	Prize Money (RM)	Placing	Prize Money (RM)	Placing	Prize Money (RM)
1.	3,350	6.	1,300	11.	900
2.	2,300	7.	1,200	12.	850
3.	1,900	8.	1,100	13.	800
4.	1,500	9.	1,000	14.	750
5.	1,400	10.	950	15.	700
				<b>Total (RM)</b>	<b>20,000</b>

- b. Only players who have qualified (total gross scores of 15-Over Par and below for Men and Ladies) are eligible to win the prize money, as per above schedule.
- c. Professionals are entitled to win the prize money as per their final placings i.e. if a professional finish third, they can only claim the third prize.
- d. In the event of a tie or ties for any final placings, the prize money will be shared equally.
- e. All prize money will be transferred online. The winners shall provide their banking details (preferably Maybank or CIMB) to PGM to expedite the transfers.
- f. All prize money is subject to PGM Development Fund (PDF) levy of 5%.

## 12. Rules of Golf and Local Rules

- a. All plays shall be in accordance with the Rules of Golf 2023 as approved by the R&A and Tournament Local Rules approved by the Committee.
- b. The Committee will provide the Additional Local Rules and a copy of which will be displayed on the Tournament Noticeboard. The Additional Local Rules will be issued to the players during Round 1.

### 13. Motorized Transportation

- a. The use of motorized and/or battery-operated trolley is not allowed.
- b. During a round, a player or caddie must not ride on any form of motorized transportation except as authorized or later approved by the Committee. A player who will play, or has played, under penalty of stroke and distance is always authorized to ride on motorized transportation. The player gets the general penalty for each hole during which there is a breach. A breach between two holes applies to the next hole.

### 14. Starting Time – Note to Rule 5.3a

- a. Players shall start at the time and in the order arranged by the Committee.
- b. Players must be prepared to play any round whenever called upon to do so and a round may be cancelled or postponed by the Committee to such day or hour at its discretion.

### 15. Clubs and Balls

- a. **List of Conforming Driver Heads.** Model Local Rule G-1 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.
- b. **Groove and Punch Marks Specifications.** Model Local Rule G-2 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.
- c. **List of Conforming Golf Balls.** Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for making a stroke in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.
- d. **One Ball Rule.** Model Local Rule G-4 is in effect. (Exception: This Local Rule does not apply to professional or amateur players in any pre-tournament Pro-Am or approved one-day event or to amateurs who partner with professional players in a major Pro-Am Tournament). The player gets one penalty stroke for each hole during which they are in breach of Local Rule.
- e. **Replacing Club that is Broken or Significantly Damaged:** Model Local Rule G-9 for replacement of a club that is in effect. Penalty for breach of Local Rule: See penalty under Rule 4.1b.
- f. **46-inches Club Length Limitation:** Model Local Rule G-10 is in effect. This is also in effect in a Pro-Am played as the official competition. Exception: This rule will not apply to amateurs playing solely in Pro-Am competitions. Penalty for making a stroke with a club in breach of Local Rule: Disqualification.

### 16. Practice (Rule 5)

- a. **Before or Between Rounds in Stroke Play**  
Model Local Rule I-1.1 is in effect. Rule 5.2b is modified in this way:  
A player must not practice on the competition course but may practice on the designated practice areas.  
Penalty for breach of Local Rule:
  - Penalty for first breach: General Penalty.
  - Penalty for second breach: Disqualification.
- b. **Between the play of two holes**  
Model Local Rule I-2 is in effect. Rule 5.5b is modified in this way:  
A player must not make any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole just completed or test the surface of that putting green by rubbing the putting green or rolling a ball.  
Penalty for breach of Local Rule: General Penalty. If the breach happens between two holes, the penalty applies to the next hole.

## 17. Pace of Play

The official starting time is displayed on the Noticeboard. The 2024 PGM Pace of Play Policy as defined within PGM Player's Handbook is in effect. Fines for multiple "Timing Sessions", "Bad Times" or "Excessive Shot Times" in an Official Season are detailed within this Policy. Additionally, the following penalties shall apply:

### **Penalty for Breach of Pace of Play Policy:**

- 1st bad time in the Tournament - Verbal warning from Referee.
- 2nd bad times in the Tournament - 1 penalty stroke and RM250 fine.
- 3rd bad times in the Tournament - 2 penalty strokes and RM500 fine.
- 4th bad times in the Tournament - Disqualification and RM1,000 fine.

## 18. Standards of Player Conduct (Rule 1.2)

All players are expected to play in the spirit of the game by:

- a. Acting with integrity – by following the Rules, applying all penalties, and being honest in all aspect of play.
- b. Showing considerations to others – by playing at a prompt pace, looking out for safety of others, and not distracting play of another player.
- c. Taking good care of the course – by replacing divots, smoothing bunkers, repairing ball-marks, and not causing unnecessary damage to the course.

## 19. Decisions (Rule 20.2)

All rulings by a Referee and the Committee is final.

## 20. Result of Competition – Competition Closed

The competition is final when the official results have been validated in the scoring system by the score recorder and approved by the Committee.

## 21. Disputes and Doubtful Points

Any dispute or doubtful point must be lodged in writing to the Tournament Director within 10 minutes on completion of the round in which the disputed matter arose. In the case of the Final Round, it must be lodged within 5 minutes after completion of the Final Round.

The Tournament Committee to resolve any dispute is comprised of:

- a. Tournament Director : Name 1, Tournament Director
- b. Members : Name 2, Set Up Referee (R1)  
Name 3, Set Up Referee (R2)  
Name 4 & 5, Referees (R3)

and, any other Member(s) as appointed by the Tournament Director.

Any other official appointed by the Tournament Director.

- c. A Referee associated with a dispute is to be excluded from the Committee during the hearing.

## 22. COVID-19 Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) and Precautions

- a. All players, caddies, volunteers and officials shall adhere to the latest COVID-19 guidelines. Wearing face mask when entering the designated areas and where physical distancing. Please refer to the Tournament Noticeboard for further information.
- b. A player and/or individual who has COVID-19 symptoms and/or has tested positive for COVID-19 must inform PGM immediately. They are responsible to self-isolate and shall not enter the clubhouse and/or the golf course.
- c. All players, caddies, volunteers and officials shall take additional precautions to follow all COVID-19 protocols set by the partner club and to adhere to the Standard Covid-19 SOP.

## 23. Amendment to Terms of Competition

The Committee reserves the right to add, amend and/or omit the Terms of Competition as it sees fit.