

# A Guide to the SCGA Tournament of Club Champions

Due to the increasing number of SCGA member clubs and the demand to participate in the Tournament of Club Champions, the SCGA has modified its entry requirements and regulations. The following is designed to assist you in determining which club members may participate.

#### The SCGA Tournament of Club Champions is broken into three (3) divisions:

#### **Division 1:**

SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Gross)

• 2.4 Handicap Index or below as of the date of registration.

### Division 2:

SCGA Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Gross)\*

• 5.4 Handicap Index or below as of the date of registration; Age 55 or older.

\*Participants must have reached their 55<sup>th</sup> birthday by the date of the SCGA Senior Tournament of Club Champions (November 28, 2016) and must be recognized as either the club champion or senior club champion at their respective club.

#### Division 3:

SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Net Flights)

• 2.5 – 24.4 Handicap Index as of the date of registration. If the player's Handicap Index rises above 24.4 as of November 13, 2016, he or she will play to a 24.4.

### Each SCGA member club may submit a total of four (4) entry applications as follows:

- One club champion (Handicap Index of 2.4 or below) may be sent to Division 1.
- One club champion (Handicap Index of 5.4 or below; Age 55 or older) may be sent to Division 2.\*\*
- Up to two club champions may be sent to Division 3 and, based on Handicap Index, will be placed in one of the net flights.
- \*\*<u>Exception</u>: If a club's regular gross and senior gross club champions are both above the age of 55, both players may enter into the Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2).

### **Frequently Asked Questions**

Q1: Our club has both a gross and net club championship. Can we send both club champions?

A1: Yes.

Q2: Our gross or senior gross club champion's Handicap Index does not meet the requirements for Division 1 or Division 2. Can we send this club champion(s) to Division 3?

A2: Yes. In these circumstances clubs may send that champion to Division 3.

## **Example of A2**

Division 1	Division 2	Division 3	
<ul> <li>2.4 Index or below as of the date of registration.</li> <li>No age restrictions (Players age 55 and older are encouraged to participate in Division 2).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>5.4 Index or below as of the date of registration.</li> <li>Age 55 or older.</li> </ul>	2.5 – 24.4 Index or below as of the date of registration.	
✓	✓	<b>√</b>	✓
Club doesn't have eligible participant.	✓	✓	✓
✓	Club doesn't have eligible participant.	✓	✓

<sup>✓ =</sup> One Entry Application

Q3: If our club has multiple net club champions (i.e. separate flights within our net club championship) may we submit multiple applications for each net champion?

A3: Yes. The club may send up to two entries for Division 3. Accordingly, the club must do whatever it feels is most equitable to their membership when deciding which two club champions will be selected.

Q4: Our club champion is unable to compete in the SCGA's Tournament of Club Champions. Can we send the runner-up?

A4: No. Only recognized club champions are eligible to compete.

Q5: What if our "regular" club champion is age 55 or older?

A5: Gross club champions age 55 and older are highly encouraged to participate in the Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2). However, if the champion's Handicap Index is 2.4 or below, he or she ultimately has the option of signing up for either the Tournament of Club Champions (Division 1) or the Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2).

Q6: What if our "senior" club champion's handicap index is 2.4 or below?

A6: Senior club champions age 55 and older are highly encouraged to participate in the Senior Tournament of Club Champions. However, since the champion's Handicap Index is 2.4 or below, he or she ultimately has the option of signing up for either the Tournament of Club Champions (Division 1) or the Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2).

Q7: If our "senior" club champion and our gross club champion are both above the age of 55, can they both participate in the Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2)?

A7: Yes

Q8: If our "senior" club champion and our gross club champion both have Handicap Indexes of 2.4 or below, may both participate in the Tournament of Club Champions (Division 1)?

A8: No, only one club entry may participate in the Tournament of Club Champions (Division 1).

Q9: Our Senior Club Championship is open for players age 50 and older. What if someone under age 55 wins our Senior Club Championship?

A9: This player is not eligible to participate in the SCGA Senior Tournament of Club Champions (Division 2). He may participate in the "regular" SCGA Tournament of Club Champions (Division 1) if his Handicap Index is 2.4 or below; otherwise, the only division he would be eligible to compete in would be Division 3.

Q10: Can one person compete in two separate divisions (e.g. Division 1 and Division 3) since they are not played on the same date?

A10: No.

Q11: What if the SCGA Tournament of Club Champions fills before we submit our entry?

A11: Entries for each division will be taken on a first come, first served basis. Once any of these divisions fill, future applicants will be placed on a waiting list.