



The 3rd Asian
Youth Games
Bahrain 2025

Golf

Technical Handbook

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Technical Information:

1. Competition Date

The Golf Competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games will be held from 23rd to 25th October 2025.

2. Competition Venue

The venue of the Golf Competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games is the Royal Golf Club, Riffa Views. The Royal Golf Club is an 18-hole par 72 championship golf course. More details about the golf course may be found at www.theroyalgolfclub.com.

The Royal Golf Club is used as both practice venue and competition venue for the 3rd Asian Youth Games.

3. Competition Events

The Golf Competition consists of four (4) events:

Boys: Individual & Team

Girls: Individual & Team

4. Competition Schedule

Date	Session	Time	Gender	Event	Phase
22 nd October 2025		06:30-17:00 (AM&PM sessions)	Boys & Girls		Practice
23 rd October 2025	GLF01	06:30-17:00	Boys & Girls	Individual & Team	Round 1
24 th October 2025	GLF02	06:30-17:00	Boys & Girls	Individual & Team	Round 2
25 th October 2025	GLF03	06:30 -17:00	Boys & Girls	Individual & Team	Final Round

5. Sport Entry

5.1 Eligibility

- Only the NOCs members of the OCA are entitled to sending teams to participate in the Golf competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games.
- Participants in the Golf competition must be amateur players in accordance with the Rules of the Amateur Status issued by the R&A and USGA.

5.2 Entry Timeline

- Entry by Sport: Deadline: 24:00 25 March, 2025 (Manama Time, GMT +3)
- Entry by Number: from 10:00 30 June 2025 to 23:59 21 July 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3)
- Entry by Name: Deadline: from 10:00 1 August 2025 to 23:59 31 August 2025 (Bahrain Time, UTC +3)





5.3 Entry Policies

- Individual Events: Each NOC may enter three (3) Boy and three (3) Girl players in each event, but only two (2) players from each NOC can qualify for the medals.
- Team Events: Each NOC may enter one (1) Boys team consisting of three (3) players [with a minimum of two (2) players] and one (1) Girls team consisting of three (3) players [with a minimum of two (2) players].
- Total: Each NOC may enter a maximum of three (3) Boy and three (3) Girl athletes in Golf.
- Note: If NOCs enter at least two (2) male athletes, or two (2) female athletes to participate in Individual events, they will be regarded as entering male or female Team events at the same time.

5.4 Age Limitation

- Athlete participating in the Golf competition must be between 15 and 18 years of age as of December 31, 2025
- Athlete must be born between 2007 to 2010 (inclusive).

6. Arrival and Departure

Teams arrival is fixed two (2) days before the competition and depart one (1) day after it ends.

7. Competition Format

7.1 General

The format of the Golf competition is Stroke Play. The four (4) events shall be 54 holes, 3 of 18-hole rounds played over 3 days. There will be a cut after 36 holes of play and only the teams and individuals that make the cut shall play the final 18 holes. The cut will be as follows.

Individual Competitions:

- Top 30 boys and ties
- Top 24 girls and ties

Team Competitions:

- Top 14 boy teams
- Top 10 girl teams

In the event of ties in the 14th position in the boys competition or 10th position in the girls competition then clause 9.4.2 applies.

7.2 Individual

For Individual Competitions for boys and girls all 3 rounds returned by players shall be individually added and the players with the lowest 54-hole score shall be the winners of the Individual competitions for boys and girls. Second and Third positions shall be determined in the same way.

7.3 Team

The total of the best two (2) scores of the team in each round are counted towards the team total. The team with the lowest aggregate total for the three (3) rounds shall be the winner of the competition. This applies to both boys' and girls' competition. Second and Third places shall be determined in the same way.





8. Practice

The Competition Committee shall allot tee times for all competitors for practice rounds. The Competition Committee shall communicate allotted tee times to teams by Friday 17th October 2025.

Competitors shall stick to the allotted tee times to play the competition course.

The practice facilities, which include a practice range, a putting green, and a short game area may be used from 22th October 2025. The practice facilities are open from 6:00am to 7:00pm.

Competitors may use the golf course and practice facilities before the 22nd October 2025, but it will be chargeable. The green fee is BD39 for 18 holes including 25 practice balls (approx. US\$103) and the fee for the practice facility usage only is BD10 (approx. US\$26.50).

During competition play practice on or near the previous hole is prohibited.

9. Technical Officials (Referees)

- The APGC shall appoint and approve a Chief Referee to officiate the Golf Competition of the 3rd Asian Youth Games.
- The BGA shall assign National/Regional Referee(s) to help in officiating the Golf Competition.

10. Other Competition Rules

10.1 General

- The Golf Competition will be played in accordance with rules of golf issued by the R&A and the USGA.
- The Golf Competition is a walking tournament and players may use pull trolleys or carry their own bags.
- The Gold tees, course length 6,799 yards, will be used for boys' events and the White tees, course length 5606 yards, will be used for the girls' events.
- In the event of any round of a competition could not be held for whatever reason, final positions will be decided if at least one round of competition is completed.
- The Competition Committee will be responsible for the running of the Golf competition and reserves the rights to amend the rules of play where appropriate.

10.2 Time of Starting and Draws

- The Golf competition's rounds will start at 6:30am each day.
- Both 1st tee and 10th tee will be used to start the players off.
- Competitors shall report to the starter on the designated tee 10 minutes before their starting times.
- The draw for the 1st round will be made randomly.
- The draws for the 2nd and 3rd rounds will be made based on teams' scores with the leading teams teeing-off last.

10.3 Pace of Play

The maximum time allotted for the completion of 18 holes round will be available prior to play from the Competition Committee. The Pace of Play policy will be strictly enforced.

The penalty for breach of Pace of Play policy is as follows;

1 Bad Time – warning from the Referee

2 Bad Times – one stroke penalty

3 Bad Times – additional two strokes penalty

4 Bad Times – Disqualification







10.4 Procedure for Breaking Ties

10.4.1 Individual

In the event of a tie in the top three (3) positions, the tie shall be decided by a sudden death play-off.

The play-off hole(s) shall be determined by the Competition Committee.

10.4.2 Team

In the event of a tie in the top three (3) positions, the score of the 3rd player of the team in the final round will be used to break the tie. If there is still a tie, the procedure shall be applied on the second round's scores, and so on.

If applying the above procedure doesn't break the tie, the best team score on the final round shall be used to break the tie. If there is still a tie, the best team score on the second round shall be used to break the tie.

10.5 Driver Head

Any driver that the player uses must have a club head that is named on the current list of conforming driver heads issued by the R&A.

10.6 Golf Ball

Competitors must play with balls that are listed on the current list of conforming golf balls issued by the R&A.

10.7 Caddies

Local caddies are not available at the Royal Golf Club. To be fair to all competitors, caddies are prohibited.

10.8 Advice Giver

Advice to players must only be given by the designated Advice Givers. Advice Givers must wear the advice giver sign all time during competition play. NOCs may assign one (1) Advice Giver to both boy and girl teams or one (1) Advice Giver for each team. Advice Givers may walk with their players, but can't enter putting greens.

11. Competition Management

The competition shall be run under the supervision of a committee which is referred to as the Competition Committee. The Competition Committee shall be comprised of;

- i) APGC Technical Delegate: Mr. Eddy Purta
- ii) Competition Manager: Mr. Duaij Aleid
- iii) A representative from the BGA: Mr. Adel Alfayyadh
- iv) A representative from the hosting golf club
- v) Appointed referees

The Competition Committee shall have the sole management and control of the competition and shall be responsible for applying the competition rules with full power to amend the rules if necessary.

The Competition Committee's decisions on matters affecting the golf competition shall be final. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Competition Committee within 15 minutes of the conclusion of the round's play.





12. Technical Meeting

The Technical Meeting will be held on 22th October 2025 from 11am to 12pm at the Royal Golf Club.

13. General Rules

12.1 Rules

12.1.1 Eligibility Code (OCA 52)

To be eligible for participation in the OCA Games, a competitor must:

- a) Observe and abide by the Rules of the IOC/OCA as per the Olympic Charter;
- b) Respect the spirit of fair play and non-violence and abide by the rules on the sports field;
- c) Comply with all aspects of WADA and OCA Anti-Doping Rules Code and refrain from using substances and drugs prohibited by the said organisations;
- d) The Member must ensure that any competitor in the OCA Games must be a national of the country of the NOC, which is entering him;
- e) Disputes relating to the determination of the country which a competitor may represent in the OCA Games shall be resolved by the EB, unless the eligibility code already set out in the Constitution has been fulfilled and is not in dispute.

12.1.2 Nationality of Competitor (OCA By-Law 52)

- a) All cases of infringement of IOC Rule 41, 42 and it's Bye-laws and of the eligibility code of IFs shall be communicated by the concerned Member to the OCA, to be considered by the EB whose decision will be final;
- b) A competitor who is a national of two (2) or more countries at the same time may represent either one (1) of them, as he may elect. However, after having represented one country in the Olympic, Asian continental regional or world championships recognised by the relevant IF, the competitor may not represent another country unless he or she meets the conditions set forth in sub section 4 below that apply to the persons who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality;
- c) A competitor who has represented one country in the Olympic Games, OCA Games, continental, regional, and world championships recognised by the relevant IF, and who has changed his nationality or acquired a new nationality, shall not participate in the OCA Games to represent his new country until three years after such change or acquisition;
- d) If a State, Country or a colony acquires independence, a country becomes incorporated within another country by a change of border or transfer of sovereignty or if a new NOC is recognised by the OCA, a competitor may continue to represent the country to which he belongs or belonged. However, he may, if preferred, choose to represent his country or be entered in the OCA Games by his new NOC if one exists. This option can only be made once and is irreversible;
- e) In all cases not expressly addressed in these Bye-Laws, in particular those cases where a competitor would be in a position to represent a country other than that of which he is a national, or to have choice as to the country which he intends to represent, the EB makes all decisions. Decisions can be of a





general The OCA Games or individual nature and issue specific requirements relating to nationality, citizenship, domicile or residence of the competitors, including the duration of any waiting period;

- f) Except as permitted by the EB, no competitor, coach or official who participates in the OCA Games may allow his person, name and picture or sports performances to be used for advertising purposes during the OCA Games.

12.1.3 Number of Entries (OCA 58)

- a) For a sport to be included in the OCA Games Programme a minimum of six (6) NOCs should enter their athletes by number and a minimum of four (4) should be physically present before the start of the competition;
- b) The maximum number of entries from each country in each sport or event is established by the Council in consultation with the Member hosting the Games and in accordance with the APGC technical rules;
- c) However, the following numbers cannot be exceeded:
 - For individual events, two competitors from each Member;
 - For team events, one team per Member, the Number of competitors and reserves not to exceed the number allowed by the APGC concerned;
 - For events where individual and team competitions are conducted simultaneously, and the team event is decided by the aggregate score/time of each individual member of the team, the athlete (if maximum two) participating in the individual event must be designated as such in the Entry form and only the athlete concerned will be competing in the individual event.

12.1.4 Technical Official and Jury of Appeal (OCA 59)

The BAYGOC must not receive or otherwise give official recognition to any foreign political delegation or leaders of any other mission whatsoever, without the prior written approval of the OCA. However, nobody can be discriminated against if he or she is a duly appointed official of the NOC's sports delegation.

12.1.5 Court of Appeal (OCA 79)

- a) The OCA EB on behalf of the OCA is the final Court of Appeal, which will decide all disputes of a non-technical nature concerning the OCA Games. Teams/Member NOC's, if necessary, may submit disputes to the Court of Appeal. In addition, the Court of Appeal may intervene in all disputes of a nontechnical nature outside the jurisdiction of the Juries of Appeal set up for each sport in the Programme;
- b) The Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS) in association with the OCA will set up a small Ad Hoc working group from CAS that will be present and working alongside the OCA in the Asian Games period only, on the same lines as done during the Olympic Games. The participating athletes can address any issues that they may have directly with CAS, during the OCA Games.

12.1.6 Claims of Protest (OCA 80)

- a) Claims made to the Judges on grounds concerning matters of fact are decided by them without appeal;





- b) Appeals against other decisions of the Judges or with regard to any other matters must be addressed to the President of the Technical Jury of Appeal for the sport concerned by a representative of the team making the appeal;
- c) Exceptional circumstances apart, a claim must be made within two hours of the decision giving rise to it. The Jury, after an investigation, shall give a decision and this decision shall be irrevocable, except in the case of disqualification of a team or of a competitor for infraction of the Rules and Regulations of the OCA. In these case it shall be decided by the Court of Appeal;
- d) All claims and appeals must be made in writing.

12.1.7 Penalties in Case of Fraud (OCA 81)

A competitor proved to have transgressed by fraud the Rules of the OCA shall be disqualified and lose any position he or she may have gained. If this competitor's team is proved to have been party to the fraud, his/her team shall be disqualified in the sport involved.

14. Clothing

Competitors shall wear reasonable golf attire. Neither competitors nor technical officials will be permitted to attach any form of commercial advertising to his/her competition uniform without a prior approval from the OCA and the BGA.

15. Doping Control

In order to ensure healthy and fair competitions and protect the interest of the athletes, the Anti-doping programme of the 3rd Asian Youth Games will be conducted in strict accordance with the World Anti-doping Code and the OCA Anti-doping rules.

16. Awards Ceremony

Gold, Silver and Bronze medals will be awarded to the top three (3) ranked individual and team winners.

The winners are requested to be at the Awards Ceremony area 15 minutes before the Awards Ceremony begins.

17. Approval of the Technical Handbook

The Technical Handbook has been approved by the Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation (APGC) On 15th May 2025





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19.1 Field of Play

