



Jennian Homes Charles Tour Conditions and Player Guidelines

Notes:

This Tournament Handbook is issued to set out the tournament conditions for all Jennian Homes Charles Tour Events.

The contents of this handbook should at all times be read in conjunction with:

- a. The Rules of Golf as approved by The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews, to which all references to the Rules refer.
- b. Any additional conditions posted by New Zealand Golf in the relevant section of the New Zealand Golf or Jennian Homes Charles Tour website, or posted on the tournament notice board at each event.

The information contained in this book is correct as at the date of publication, but New Zealand Golf or the PGA of New Zealand in conjunction with each other, reserve the right at all times to alter, vary or amend any of the Rules, Regulations, Procedures, or Conditions set out herein.



1. Overview

- 1.1. The Jennian Homes Charles Tour is a joint initiative between New Zealand Golf and the PGA of New Zealand with New Zealand Golf managing the relationship with the host venues and overall presentation of the golf course and competition on the field of play.
- 1.2. The purpose of the Jennian Homes Charles Tour is to support the development pathway of New Zealand Golfers who aspire to win on the world stage.
- 1.3. Men and Women will compete against each other for the same title and prize purse. New Zealand Golf and the NZPGA will set the course up with the aim to create a similar challenge for male and female golfer. The challenge set will be based on shot values, rather than a specific hole being a certain percentage shorter for females than it is for males. This will mean that if a male player has a long iron into a par 4, a female golfer should also. If a par 5 is reachable in two for the majority of male players, it should be for the majority of female players.

2. Field Size and Structure

- 2.1. The field size for each Charles Tour event will be 132 players for an event commencing April 1 – September 30 and 144 for an event played between October 1 and March 31.
- 2.2. The 132 field will be made up of the leading 66 professional golfers and 66 of the leading amateur golfers
- 2.3. The 144 field will be made up of the leading 72 professionals and 72 of the leading amateur golfers
- 2.4. Male and Female golfers will compete against each other in the same competition but from a different set of tees.
- 2.5. New Zealand Golf and the PGA of New Zealand reserve the right to alter the make-up of the field depending on entries received and the field size depending on the format.
- 2.6. If the professional entries are less than the maximum number then the balance of the field will be made up of the leading amateur players on the amateur wait list. The vice versa will apply if the amateur field does not reach the maximum size.
- 2.7. A minimum of 30 female players will be accepted in each event.

3. Entries and Fees

- 3.1. The Entry Fee amount for amateur golfers will be set by New Zealand Golf Inc with the amount for professional golfers set by the New Zealand PGA. The specific amount for each event will be displayed in the relevant entry section for each event on the New Zealand Golf and New Zealand PGA websites.
- 3.2. All amateur entries are received by New Zealand Golf and subject to the clauses laid out under Amateur Events.
- 3.3. All professional entries are received by the New Zealand PGA and subject to the clauses laid out under the PGA of New Zealand Tournament Handbook.

4. Jennian Homes Charles Tour Invitations

- 4.1. Three Tournament Invitations at the discretion of New Zealand Golf and the New Zealand PGA will be available at each Jennian Homes Charles Tour. This invitation may be for a professional or amateur golfer of either gender reflecting the overall purpose of the Jennian Homes Charles Tour to support the development pathway of New Zealand Golfers who aspire to win on the world stage.
- 4.2. While there is a maximum of three tournament invitations available at each event New Zealand Golf and the New Zealand PGA may not allocate any if applications do not warrant the purpose of the Jennian Homes Charles Tour.
- 4.3. For a player to be considered for a tournament invitation New Zealand Golf and the New Zealand PGA will access the merits of each player's application with consideration given to the following criteria. If the player has not fulfilled one of the requirements below then it is unlikely an application will be successful.
 - Represented New Zealand at amateur level
 - Won a National Amateur Championship

- Won a NZPGA Pro-Am or international equivalent
- Placed in the top 5 at a previous Charles Tour event.
- Won an Australasian Tour event.
- Currently holds an international tour card on a tour recognised by the PGA of New Zealand.

4.4. A player may receive a maximum of two tournament invitations in any Charles Tour season.

4.5. If the player receiving the tournament invitation does not hold membership with the PGA of New Zealand they will be required to pay an additional \$250 on top of the entry fee for a PGA member as a weekly membership to the Jennian Homes Charles Tour. This requires the player to abide to the Jennian Homes Charles Tour tournament guidelines and PGA of New Zealand Rules and Regulations. The player must recognise that they do not receive any benefits of a member of the PGA of New Zealand during the week.

5. Charles Tour Event Priority

When the number of entries into a Charles Tour field exceeds the number of places available the following rankings will be made;

5.1. Amateur field priority

- 5.1.1. Any player in the top 50 New Zealanders on the R&A OOM.
- 5.1.2. Any player in the top 75 on the New Zealander Amateur Golf OOM.
- 5.1.3. Any remaining places in the field will be done by handicap cut off.

5.2. Professional field priority

- 5.3.1. Host professional or his/her nominated player, provided they are eligible.
- 5.3.2. All previous winners back to the same event or same date the previous year.
- 5.3.3. Up to five PGA/Sponsors invitation
- 5.3.4. The leading two players from the current years Q School.
- 5.3.5. The current trainee champion
- 5.3.6. The leading player on the current year OOM if not otherwise exempt (capped at 15th position)
- 5.3.7. The top 25 players from the previous year's OOM
- 5.3.8. The leading 10 female professionals on the ALPG OOM
- 5.3.9. The leading two full members on the previous year OOM
- 5.3.10. The balance of the field to come from: alternating order from the previous year's OOM
- 5.3.11. Remaining Q School graduates, Full members, Tour players, Trainees who hold a playing invitation from the PGA Academy (if not otherwise exempt) and Overseas guests.
- 5.3.12. Medical exemptions. Tour player members who hold a medical exemption will only have playing rights in non-restricted events.

6. Draw

- 6.1. The draw will be compiled for the first two rounds by New Zealand Golf and posted on the New Zealand Golf website no later than 5pm on the Tuesday preceding the event.
- 6.2. Players may request to be on the same side of the draw as another player to assist with arrangements, however requests specifically play with certain players will not be granted.
- 6.3. Players may request to specifically have an early or late tee time to accommodate work, school or university however these requests must be sent to the Tournament Director prior to the weekend preceding the tournament.
- 6.4. The draw for rounds three and four will be completed following the conclusion of the second and third round.
- 6.5. After the second round the field will be cut to the leading 60 golfers and ties.
- 6.6. Unless specifically stated the third and fourth rounds will be played from two tees with the aim to have the third and fourth round completed by 3pm to allow players to travel home at the conclusion of the event.

7. Pro-Am

7.1. At each Jennian Homes Charles Tour event the host club will run an 18 hole pro-am for sponsors and their guests.

—7.2.— It is a requirement of entry into each Jennian Homes Charles Tour event that all players are required to make themselves

available to be able to play in the 18 hole event.

- 7.3. While the day of the pro-am is usually the day preceding round one of the tournament, the host venue reserves the right to run the pro-am two days prior to round one.
- 7.4. All players who are required to play in the pro-am for each event will have their name posted on the New Zealand Golf and PGA of New Zealand websites by the Friday preceding the event at the latest. This list will also be posted on the notice board of the host venue during the tournament week. In addition to the players required, information relating to start times and related functions will be displayed. Players will not be notified; it will remain their responsibility to see if they are required for the pro-am or not.
- 7.5. Any player who has their name posted on the pro-am list that does not turn up to play will be breached under the PGA of New Zealand's Tournament rules.
- 7.6. If a player is unable to play in the pro-am, they must in writing request an exemption from playing from the New Zealand Golf or PGA of New Zealand employee responsible for the tournament. Requests not to play will be granted in exceptional circumstances and any player may only be exempt from one pro-am without sanction in any given Jennian Homes Charles Tour season.
- 7.7. Players are required to attend any prize giving function following each pro-am.

8. Etiquette and Tournament Conduct

- 8.1. All male players (both Professional and Amateur) are required to wear long trousers during tournament rounds and the tournament pro-am.
- 8.2. All players should adhere to the dress requirements of the host venue when using the clubs practice facilities during the tournament. This includes players returning to the course to practice after their rounds. Beach shorts, jandals etc are not permitted while a player is using the practice facilities.
- 8.3. All players are encouraged to attend the tournament prize giving, however the leading three players must attend.

9. Jennian Homes Charles Tour Cup

- 9.1. The Jennian Homes Charles Tour Cup will be awarded to the leading player of each season on the Jennian Homes Charles Tour.
- 9.2. Each competitor that makes the cut in a Jennian Homes Charles Tour event will earn points towards the Jennian Homes Charles Tour Cup under the following breakdown:

Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points	Position	Points
1	500	21	50	41	30	61	10
2	300	22	49	42	29	62	9
3	190	23	48	43	28	63	8
4	135	24	47	44	27	64	7
5	110	25	46	45	26	65	6
6	100	26	45	46	25	66	5
7	90	27	44	47	24	67	4
8	85	28	43	48	23	68	3
9	80	29	42	49	22	69	2
10	75	30	41	50	21	70	1
11	70	31	40	51	20		
12	65	32	39	52	19		
13	60	33	38	53	18		
14	57	34	37	54	17		
15	56	35	36	55	16		
16	55	36	35	56	15		
17	54	37	34	57	14		
18	53	38	33	58	13		
19	52	39	32	59	12		
20	51	40	31	60	11		
21	50	41	30	61	10		
22	49	42	29	62	9		
23	48	43	28	63	8		
24	47	44	27	64	7		
25	46	45	26	65	6		
26	45	46	25	66	5		
27	44	47	24	67	4		
28	43	48	23	68	3		
29	42	49	22	69	2		
30	41	50	21	70	1		

Terms of Competition

To read in conjunction with the New Zealand Golf and Charles Tour Hard Card

The following Terms of Competition. Together with any amendments published by New Zealand Golf at the Golf Course will apply to all Charles Tour Events.

1. Driving Clubs (List of Conforming Driver Heads)

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.

2. Specification of the Ball (Note to Rule 5-1)

List of Conforming Golf Balls: Model Local Rule G-3 is in effect. Penalty for breach of the Local Rule: Disqualification. Note: An updated List of Conforming Clubs and Balls is available on www.randa.org

3. One Ball Rule

Model local rule G-4 is in effect.

4. Pace of Play (Note 2 to Rule 6-7)

In the absence of mitigating circumstances, a group is liable to be timed if it is in excess of the time allowed and in the case of second or subsequent groups, out of position. From the commencement of timing, if any player exceeds 50 seconds on a 'first to play approach shot (including Par 3 tee shot), chip or putt', or 40 seconds if it is a tee shot or 'second or third to play shot', they shall be deemed to have had a bad time.

The time allowed will be determined by the Committee and will be available prior to play. Out of position is defined as being more than the starting interval behind the group in front.

A player whose group is timed will have a bad time carried forward in the round even if the group subsequently arrives back in position or within time.

PENALTY FOR BREACH OF CONDITION:

1st bad time:	Player will be warned by the official and told that if they have a further bad time they will be penalised.
2nd bad time:	One-stroke penalty
3rd bad time:	Additional two-stroke penalty
4th bad time:	Disqualification

Note:

- a. It is not necessary for players to be advised they are being timed.
- b. Timings will be taken from the moment it is deemed by the Official that it is the player's turn to play.
- c. In exceptional circumstances, an individual player, or two of the three players in a group, may be timed.

When Timing Commences:

Other than on the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin when it is their turn to play and they can play without interference or distraction. Reasonable time spent by the first player to play in determining their yardage will not count as time taken for the next stroke.

On the putting green, the timing of a player's stroke will begin after a player has been allowed a reasonable amount of time to mark, lift, clean and replace their ball, repair ball marks and remove loose impediments on their line of putt. Time spent looking at the line from beyond the hole and/or behind the ball will count as part of the time taken for the next stroke.

5. Transportation

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.

6. Practice (Rule 5.2)

- a) In stroke play, Rule 5.2b is modified in this way: A player must not practise on the competition course before or between rounds.
- b) In match play, Rule 5.2a is modified in this way: A player must not practise on the competition course before or between rounds. Note: All recognised practice areas within the bounds of the course may be used by players for practice on any day of the competition.