



Sunshine Senior Tour Pro-Am Series No.1

Tuesday 16 February 2021 at the Centurion Country Club

PLAYER INFORMATION

Entries close 18:00hours on 09 February 2021

2. Format & Conditions of Entry

This SA Senior Tour (SAST) Pro-Am will be played in accordance with the rules and regulations as set out by the R&A in an 18-hole Strokeplay event for professionals, who are 50 years of age or older on 16 February 2021. A teams' event will run concurrently in a 4-ball better-ball competition consisting of one professional and one amateur as partners. The field size will be limited to a maximum of 50 professionals and 50 amateurs, with the professionals playing off separate tees from the amateurs. If the amateurs wish they can choose and play off the colour tee markers in accordance with Golf RSA handicapping conditions.

3. Entry Conditions, Exemptions for Entry into the Starting Draw

- Professional Prize Fund is R50 000 and may be adjusted according to the number of entrants.
- All professionals must enter through admin@seniortour.co.za.
- This is an order of merit event for professionals over 18 holes of stroke play.
- **All** amateurs are expected to enter through their team professional. The professionals must invite an amateur as a condition of entry.

Exemptions for professional entrants-Pre-Q Details

- Only member professionals of SAST in good standing may enter.
- Preference will be given to members according to the ranking and exemption list of 2020 and invitations to participate with amateurs. (50 max)
- The starting field size will be limited to 50 professional entrants. In the event of there being more than 50 entries, a prequalifying round will be necessary at Blue Valley on the morning of 12 February for 4 spots to be added to the 46 exempt players. In all instances the qualified exempt player must have a team of two.

4. Practice Day and Practice Facilities

There is no official practice day. Players must book practice times through the club. The range is near the entrance to the club parking for the players' account.

5. Registration

All exempt senior professional entrants are required to register with the SA Senior Tour by **10.00 on 16th February 2021**. This may also be done by telephone/sms/email to the Senior Tour Financial Director on 083 2270840 or email: fd@seniortour.co.za



6. Entry Fee, Withdrawals and Refunds

- The Entry Fee for all professional entrants for the event is **R750.00**.
- Professionals must enter and pay as per SAST Rules and Regulations.
- Withdrawals **BEFORE** 18:00 hours on 09 February 2021; a full refund will be possible.
- If a player is absent on the tee without notification, **no refund** will be given and a fine may be imposed. The Tournament Committee will decide on refunds from withdrawals after the closing date for entries on medical and compassionate grounds only.
- Once an entrant has teed off, refund of entry is not possible under any circumstances.
- **The amateur entry fee is R750.00 per person payable to the Senior Tour at the course on the competition day or beforehand by EFT. Bank Details: Bank; ABSA, Account No.3310150605, Branch Code 632005. Receipts will be issued.**
- If a SAST member entrant is late on the tee, when called upon to start, the player shall be disqualified after an absence of 5 minutes and will not participate in the professional prize fund. The R&A rule 6-3a will apply for duration of this fun event. He will however be able to play with his team in the teams' competition and win a prize.

8. Caddies, Motorised Carts

There will be a limited number of caddies available at the club during the event. Carts are permitted for use at the expense of the player or players may prefer to walk the course.

All tee time groups will only be allowed two carts per group in the teams' competition. Please check and book with the Pro shop.

9. SA Senior Tour Rules and Regulations/Additional Local Rules

All SA Senior Tour rules, terms and conditions apply. Additional Local Rules will be available from the starter on the 1st tee. Professional competitors are specifically asked to note:

- a) One ball rule is applicable
- b) Prohibitions on practice putting (Pros)
- c) Play suspensions in a dangerous situation requires an **immediate** stop for all players.
- d) Distance devices may be used

10. Golf Tee-Times/ Draws/ Practice Rounds

There will be SA Senior Tour staff on the Event Committee. Neville Clarke will be the Tournament Director (TD) in the event of a disputed rule. SMS's will also be sent to competitors advising of tee times.

11. Play Off and Completion of the Event

In the event of a tie for first place amongst the professionals, **there will be a play-off. using the 18th hole until a winner is established.**



In the event of a tie(s) in the Teams section, prizes will be decided by a count-out.

- Best last 9-hole totals (holes 10-18)
- Then best 3-holes holes where applicable (holes 10-18)
- Then best last hole (18th Hole)
- In another way by the TD if the above remains unsolved

The event will be considered closed by the TD when all scores are recorded and the winners' have been established.

12. **Prize giving.**

There will be no prize giving at the course. A virtual prize giving will be done on Wednesday morning and prizes handed out at a later stage.

13. **Team Event**

- The team competition is a Better Ball Strokeplay format, where the professionals play off a scratch handicap and their amateur partners (male or female) off their official club handicaps. Ladies may play from the forward tees as per the golf course design and their scorecard stroking. **The current Golf RSA handicapping format will apply off the chosen coloured tee markers.**
- The senior professional must record his strokeplay score on each hole played.

The management and staff of SAST hope you all have a wonderful and enjoyable experience and thank you for your participation.