



FACT SHEET

**ASIAN TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS 2013
Springfield Royal Country Club
Cha-am, Thailand
March 25-27, 2014**

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Venue	<p>Springfield Royal Country Club Cha-am, Thailand 208, Moo 2, Sampraya Cha-am, Phetchburi 76120, Thailand *Approximately 2.5 hours from Bangkok Airport (BKK)</p>
Code of Conduct	<p>Player Code of Conduct – The IJGT Asia takes great pride in the quality of its players, host facilities, and broad community involvement at each tournament. In order to continue making the IJGT Asia experience enjoyable and rewarding for everyone, we require all players to adhere to a set of guidelines known as the “Player Code of Conduct”. The purpose is to help IJGT Asia participants grow and mature by understanding and accepting the consequences of their actions. The “Player Code of Conduct” is to be followed throughout the duration as a junior golfer with IJGT Asia.</p> <p>Alcohol, Tobacco and Drugs – The use of any of these substances on or off the golf course will be considered a violation of the Code of Conduct resulting in disqualification and/or suspension of IJGT Asia participation at the Tour’s absolute discretion.</p> <p>Attire – It is the intent of the IJGT Asia to acknowledge each player’s individuality. However,</p>



	<p>tournament players must wear proper golf attire while at the golf facility. Shirts must be of appropriate golf style and tucked in at all times. No tank tops or t-shirts. Women's shirts must be worn in a manner whereby the shirt does not rise above the belt line at any time during the swing. No tight jeans or cut-offs. Women's shorts must be no more than five (5) inches above the knee or the inseam must measure at least five (5) inches. Boys may not wear any type of body piercings or earrings. Tattoos must be covered at all times. Hair must be neatly kept in a professional manner. Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward; males must remove hat/visors while indoors. Headphones and mp3 players are prohibited during play. The IJGT Asia staff reserves the right to determine the acceptability of all golf attire worn while in competition. If a player is found to be in violation of the aforementioned policies, the IJGT Asia staff may request the player to remedy the infraction prior to competing. If the player is unable to come into compliance with the dress code policy, he/she may be asked to leave the tournament and subsequently be disqualified from competition.</p> <p>On-Course Behavior – Abusive or inappropriate language;</p>
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	<p>disrespectful behaviors towards officials, volunteers or golf professionals; throwing or breaking clubs; any form of cheating; leaving the golf course without properly notifying an official during a tournament round; and abuse of the golf course in any way will be considered Code of Conduct violations. A one-stroke penalty will be enforced by the IJGT Asia committee for any behavior on the golf course it deems unsportsmanlike. A second offense will result in automatic disqualification from the tournament and possible suspensions from future events.</p> <p>Do not solicit advice from a spectator or coach. “Advice is any counsel or suggestion which could influence a player in determining your play, choice of club or method of making a stroke.” Penalty for breach of this rule is two-strokes on the player (USGA Rule 8-1). Talking to spectators and coaches during tournament play is not allowed and can be construed as receiving advice.</p> <p>Off-Course Behavior</p> <p>Any abusive language, vandalism of any kind at the host hotel or golf facility, history of juvenile delinquency and any other conduct not becoming of an IJGT Asia</p>
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	<p>player, is a violation of the Code of Conduct. Violation may bring a letter of warning to parents and player, a disqualification from IJGT Asia tournament(s), and/or a disqualification from future events and/or suspension from all future events.</p>
<p>Competitions Guideline/Yardage</p>	<p>Tee placements are not set until the IJGT Asia Tournament staff arrives on site. Competition set-up can change prior to the event; this includes yardages, which may be adjusted to offset inclement weather or other golf course conditions (i.e. wet, damp conditions).</p> <p>The following yardages are just a guideline:</p> <p>Boys 15-19 Division: 6,600 – 7,000 Yards Boys 14 and Under Division: 5,900 – 6,300 Yards All Girls Divisions: 5,800 – 6,200 Yards</p>
<p>Electronic Devices/Range Finders</p>	<p>The committee will NOT allow for the use of distance measuring devices during stipulated rounds.</p>



<p>Notice to Competitors</p>	<p>2011 – 2012 USGA Rules of Golf, its Decisions and the local rules on both sides of this sheet shall govern play at this Asian Tournament of Champions. Unless otherwise provided, penalty for breach of local rule in Stroke Play is two strokes. Disregard all local rules printed on the club scorecard.</p> <p>One-Ball Rule is Not In Effect. Any golf ball used at The Asian Tournament of Champions shall be listed on the most recent USGA Conforming Ball List. Penalty for breach of this rule is disqualification.</p> <p>Water Hazards – Regular water hazards are identified by yellow stakes and defined by yellow lines. Lateral water hazards are identified by red stakes and defined by red lines and include unmarked drainage ditches and other open water areas.</p> <p>Embedded Ball – Relief is “through the green”. Anywhere “through the green”, a ball which is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground, except in loose sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole. The ball when dropped must first strike a part of the course through the green.</p>
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	<p>Ground Under Repair – Please see Local Rules for Ground Under Repair matters.</p> <p>Stipulated Round – the competition is 54 holes of stroke play consisting of 3 18-Hole stipulated rounds. If 18 holes cannot be played, tournament decision is final with Tournament committee.</p> <p>Starting Play – A player is responsible for promptly being at the assigned tee time to begin play. A player needs to arrive at least five minutes prior to the assigned tee time in order to receive all pertinent information. Players will not be called to the assigned tee. If a player arrives within five minutes after the assigned tee time, the penalty for failure to start on time is two strokes instead of disqualification (Rule 6-3b, Note). After five minutes has elapsed, the penalty is disqualification.</p> <p>Caddies - A player must have a local caddie during the stipulated tournament rounds.</p> <p>Carts - A player may not use automotive transportation during the stipulated tournament round.</p> <p>Slow Play – A group is subject to timing if they are 1) behind on time and 2) out of position. The entire</p>
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	<p>group will receive a verbal warning and asked to regain their golf course position. Each player will be subject to timing until the group regains position. A player who is discovered taking more than 40 seconds to play a stroke is subject to an individual warning for slow play and will be advised of that fact. The player will be notified that a second violation of exceeding 40 seconds will result in a penalty of one stroke. A third violation will result in a two-stroke penalty, followed by disqualification for a fourth violation. A player's time to play begins when the player has had a reasonable opportunity to reach his ball and when it is the player's turn to play and can do so without interference or distraction. Penalties are applied individually, but more than one competitor in a group may be penalized.</p> <p>Suspension of Play – A suspension of play for a dangerous situation will be signaled by one long air horn blast (or equivalent depending upon golf course management policy and procedures). All players shall be informed verbally. All play shall cease immediately. All practice areas shall be closed during a suspension of play, until the committee has declared them open again. Other types of suspension shall be signaled by two consecutive air horn blasts.</p>
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	<p>Resumption of play shall be signaled by three short air horn blasts (or equivalent depending upon golf course policy and procedures).</p> <p>Doubt as to Procedure/Second Ball – Stroke play only, Rule 3-3 is in effect. Before proceeding under this rule a player must 1) Declare his/her intentions to invoke this rule, 2) Declare which ball he/she will score with if the Rules permit. See Rule 3-3 for complete details. A second ball played under Rule 3-3 is not a provisional ball. Player must report all facts to the committee.</p> <p>Scorecards – A scorecard is deemed official once the player leaves the scoring area.</p> <p>Playoff – Playoffs for 1st place in any age division will go to an immediate sudden-death playoff. If play cannot continue, then the competitor's scorecards will be matched from the 18TH hole backwards until the tie is broken.</p> <p>Spectator Policy – Spectator support is appreciated at tour events and all are encouraged to follow the competition. Spectators must walk in the rough and remain clear of fairways. Spectator carts are permitted, but must abide by golf course rules and regulations.</p>
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	<p>Spectators must walk in the rough and remain clear of fairways. Spectators may act as a forecaddie; carry umbrellas, jackets, food or drink. However, spectators are not permitted to talk to any players during the stipulated round. Under no circumstances is a spectator allowed to offer advice to a contestant during a round.</p> <p>USGA Rules Apply</p> <p>The United States Golf Association is the national governing body of golf for the U.S. and Mexico. The USGA’s most visible role is played out each season in conducting 13 national championships, including the U.S. Open. The USGA also writes the Rules of Golf, conducts equipment testing, funds research for better turf and better environment, maintains a Handicap System, celebrates the history of the game and administers an ongoing grants program.</p>
Local Rules Apply	The Local Rules as enforced by the committee shall be in effect.
Tournament Organizers	<p>Mr. Les Walsh Tournament Director +6681-919-7639</p> <p>Mr. Perry Marohabutr Organizing Committee +6681-585-2880</p> <p>Advisor/TJGGA Representative:</p>



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<p>Scoring System</p>	<p>Stroke Play USGA Rules Apply Local Rules Apply</p> <p>*Non-Qualifiers Competing are not eligible for the grand prize, but trophy will be allowed.</p>
<p>Tee Off</p>	<p>Boys 15-19 Division – Yellow Tees Boys 14 and Under Division – Blue Tees</p> <p>Girls 15-19 Division – White Tees Girls 14-Under Division – Red Tees</p> <p>*Tee colors subject to change. Please see information board for updates.</p>
<p>Caddies and Caddie Tips</p>	<p>Thailand Golf Courses require all golfers to use caddies due to labor laws in Thailand. Caddies are not professional tour caddies as seen on television, but caddies can assist with logistical duties such as carry bag and yardages. Caddies are assigned when player arrives at the golf resort and bags are dropped off. Caddies follow a number protocol and may be reserved in</p>



	<p>advanced. Reserving caddies must be done beforehand. If a caddie has already been reserved, players cannot exchange. Caddie protocol is at the discretion of the golf course and it's the player's duty, not the tournament committee. The caddie master oversees caddies. The Tournament Director has discretion in case of any caddie dispute.</p> <p>Caddie Fees is 300 baht per day.</p> <p>Players are prohibited from having more than one caddy during the stipulated round.</p> <p>Caddie gratuities (tips) are expected and the local rule of thumb is based on a 300baht standard for 18 holes.</p> <p>Caddie Fee and Caddie Tip must be paid on a DAILY basis: 600 baht total inside the pro shop. Caddie Protocol – (To Be Confirmed)</p>
<p>Golf Carts</p>	<p>Golf Cart protocol are to follow golf course policies and procedures.</p> <p>Parents and Spectators are allowed to rent golf carts per day, but must drive on golf cart path only and cannot be within 50 feet of the player.</p>
<p>Refreshments</p>	<p>Thailand's weather is normally hot and humid, therefore, player's</p>



	<p>should make sure they drink enough water. Kiosks are located throughout the golf course and accept Thai baht for refreshments. Individuals are to be responsible for their own refreshments. If a golfer stops at a kiosk, be aware of pace of play.</p>
<p>Meal before/after the Round</p>	<p>Upon submitting scorecards after each stipulated round, registered players are allowed to eat one meal before or after the round. The meal is provided at the restaurant.</p> <p>The meal is provided to the players with an official meal ticket.</p> <p>Parents and Spectators are allowed to eat with players and can pay for their meals directly to the restaurant.</p> <p>Buffet is available 11:30am to 4:00pm during the tournament rounds.</p>
<p>Awards Ceremony</p>	<p>On March 27, 2014, the IJGT Asia will hold the award's ceremony after the scoring is completed after the last group. (To Be Confirmed)</p> <p>During this event, the tournament champions will be announced and trophies will be presented to the top two finishers in each age division.</p> <p>In addition, the IJGT Asia will award the individual player, in each division (except 12 and Under) that</p>



	<p>has posted the lowest score.</p> <p>After the awards presentation, each award recipient will have their picture taken for the media, and the champions will be asked to complete a short post-round interview to be included in the news story.</p> <p>***Time and Location are subject to change***</p>
<p>Prizes</p>	<p>Winners in the following Division</p> <p>Boys 15-19; Boys 13-14; Girls 15-19; Girls 13-14</p> <p>Receive free entry to the Bridgestone Golf Tournament of Champions.</p> <p>Tournament Entry to the Tournament of Champions (TOC) in Orlando May 25-27, 2014 Grand Cypress Golf Club – The New Course Grand Cypress Resort – East/North</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entry Fee Waived to TOC • Transportation Pick-up <p>Winners in each age categories (4 people) will receive a \$25,000 scholarship towards the full year training program.</p>



	<p>1st Runner-up and 2nd Runner-up - \$10,000 scholarship towards the full year training program.</p> <p>*If a top-three finisher is unable to attend the full time program, the tournament committee can discuss alternative prizes.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">***</p> <p>Winners - Boys 12 and Under and Girls 12 and Under receive trophies.</p> <p>***All prizes and awards are subject to the IJGT Asia and subject to change by IJGT Asia***</p>
<p>Local Sightseeing and Tours</p>	<p>No official tours are schedule. This is at each individual’s discretion and expense.</p>
<p>Airport Meeting Point</p>	<p>Upon arrival, players and families after Baggage Claim can meet the transportation representative at the Meeting Point located inside the TERMINAL. The ground-handling representative will be on-site.</p> <p>In case the passenger does not meet the hotel representatives, please go to the nearest information desk. Contact Khun Max at +6681-893-5258.</p> <p>Note: For those visiting for the first time, do not panic. All registered names have been submitted to the local Thai</p>



	<p>authorities at the airport to make sure all visitors to Thailand are taken care of safely.</p>
<p>Official Tournament Registration (Table)</p>	<p>Players may join IJGT Asia Staff for their non-mandatory registration located at the HOTEL CHECK-IN AREA. Pairings and additional information will be available at this time. Official Registration table will be at the golf course venue.</p>
<p>Practice Rounds</p>	<p>Players may schedule a practice round for March 24 (Monday) by calling the pro shop at +6632-709-222. Please identify yourself as an ATOC competitor when making your practice round tee time to receive the discounted rate.</p> <p>Coaches are allowed to follow the players if noted ahead of time.</p>
<p>Golf Bag Storage</p>	<p>Golf Clubs can be stored at “your own risk” at the golf course designated storage area. Please inform your caddie and make sure you bring your golf clubs to the storage area and take the ticket stub. The golf clubs are the player’s responsibility. Please be real attentive to where your golf clubs are at all times!</p>
<p>Airport Transportation</p>	<p>Recommended Air Transportation – Bangkok International Airport Suvarnabhumi When making travel arrangements, please keep in mind that weather and/or course conditions may affect the scheduled close of competition.</p>



	Please provide sufficient time in your travel itineraries.
Hotel Information	<p>Players in the Asian Tournament of Champions may take advantage of the official hotel(s):</p> <p>Springfield Village Golf & Spa (On-Site) 208, 208/1 Moo 2, Sampraya Cha-am, Petchaburi 76120</p> <p>Special Discounted Rates for participants are as follows:</p> <p>Single/Double Occupancy: 3,000 baht/night including ABF for 2 pax.</p> <p>Triple Occupancy: 4,000 baht/night including ABF for 3 pax.</p> <p>Please note that all rooms are subject to any tax or hotel fees. Credit card deposit will be required upon check-in.</p> <p>Reservations can be made through the website or tournament office. Room assignments will be based on availability. Rooms are limited during that period.</p>
Return Confirmation	For those who need to reconfirm their return ticket to the respective country, please contact the hotel desk to help with confirming or contact the airline representative.
Medical Emergency	In case of any medical emergency, players will be brought to the



	nearest hospital according to the hotel policy and procedures. All participants are required to have full travel insurance upon entering the competition.
Press Releases	The IJGT Asia creates a press release after each tournament and submits the story along with results to local, national and global media outlets. All news stories are deemed permissible and all photographs and videos are the property of the IJGT Asia.