KWAZULU-NATAL GOLF UNION

MEN'S AMATEUR TEAM SELECTION POLICY AND CRITERIA

INTRODUCTION:

The KZNGU is challenging itself to improve the support for players and in so doing, provide an open and transparent method of selection for provincial representation.

For the selection process to be comprehensive it is necessary, therefore, that there is a unified selection process based on specific criteria, which will serve as the basis on which all players are selected to the KZNGU Amateur Teams.

The KZNGU Players Tournament Ranking – The Selectors will use the Players Tournament Ranking as a **guide only** when selecting teams, and not as an absolute measure of a player's past or current performance, ability or eligibility for any of the teams.

Selection to a KZNGU team is intended to be an honour given to a golfer who has distinguished himself in the playing qualifications and otherwise has established himself to be a gentleman who represents the integrity of the game of golf. The Executive committee reserves the right in situations where a golfer has otherwise qualified for team selection on the basis of his competitive achievements, to not select that person if that person has in some way been guilty of conduct unbecoming a golfer. This includes breaches of golf etiquette, improper on course conduct, disrespect for fellow competitors, officials and the failure to adhere to team regulations as established by the KZNGU.

DEFINITIONS:

Team: The Team selected to represent KwaZulu Natal at the various Inter-Provincial Tournaments. The team will consist of eight players and a Manager.

Player: Is a golfer handicapped by a Golf Club affiliated to the KwaZulu Natal Golf Union and not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of the either the Club or the Union.

Country District Player: Is a golfer handicapped by Golf Club that is affiliated to a KZNGU Sub-Union and falls within the Country District areas as recognized by the KZNGU.

President: The President of the KZNGU.

Selectors: Members of the Executive Committee appointed by The President of the KZNGU, to act as selectors of the KZNGU representative teams.

Team Manager: The person appointed by the KZNGU Selection Committee to manage the team.

Tournaments: Official KZNGU tournaments that accumulate points towards the various Players Tournament Ranking list.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

The Objective Selection Criteria set forth herein, has been established to identify KZN golfers who could be considered for selection to represent the Union. A player must meet the objective criteria in order to be selected to represent the Union, but meeting these criteria does not mean that a player will automatically be selected to any of the KZNGU Teams.

Selectors and Team Manager will meet and deliberate the following criteria prior to the selection of the Team:

- Observation of players
- Results from designated KZNGU Tournaments
- Due consideration will be given to a players ranking on the SAGA Tournament Players Ranking System
- Previous history and Inter-Provincial experience.
- Information gained from the database of competition results.
- Individual's inherent ability to participate as a team member.
- Training Inputs.
- Commitment.
- On and off course etiquette and attitude.
- Reports from League Captains, Provincial Captains and Managers.

Final Selection of the KZNGU Teams will be based on a unanimous decision by the Selection Committee, following which the proposed Team will be submitted by the manager to the President for final endorsement.

ELIGIBILITY:

Premier Team:

- Any golfer that is handicapped by a Golf Club affiliated to the KwaZulu Natal Golf Union (KZNGU) and not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of the either the Club or the Union.

Country Districts Provincial Team:

- Any golfer that is not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of either the Club or the Union.
- Only golfers who are handicapped by a Golf Club that is affiliated to a KZNGU Sub-Union and falls within the Country District areas as recognized by the KZNGU will be considered for selection.

Mid Amateur Provincial Team:

- Any golfer that is handicapped by a Golf Club, affiliated to the KwaZulu Natal Golf Union (KZNGU) and not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of either the Club or the Union.
- Must be 30 years or older at the start of the current year's Inter-Provincial Tournament.

Seniors and Super Seniors Team:

- Any golfer that is handicapped by a Golf Club affiliated to the KZNGU and not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of either the Club or the Union.
- Selection to either of these Teams is prescribed under Clause 7, "Team Selection", of the By-Laws of the KZN Senior Golf to be found on the KZNGU website.

Junior/Under 19 Team.

- Any golfer that is handicapped by a golf club affiliated to the KZNGU and not subject to any disciplinary process or sanction of either the Club or the Union.
- Selection to this team is prescribed in detail on the KZNGU website under "Junior Golf".

DESIGNATED KZNGU TOURNAMENTS:

Players wishing to be considered for selection for the various I.P.T teams must participate in following tournaments:

Premier Team:

- At least two (2) Counting Events and must include any one (1) of the following:
  KZN Open, KZN Amateur, KZN Players Championships. The KZN Closed is a compulsory tournament for selection.
  (See under "How it is calculated" on KZNGU website for Counting Events)

Country Districts Provincial Team:

- At least two (2) of the Counting Events, one of which must be the KZN Country Districts Championships. For selection purposes, non-participation in the KZNCD Championships will only be accepted if prior approval has been obtained from the President.
  (See under "How it is Calculated" on KZNGU website for Counting Events)

Mid-Amateur Provincial Team:

- the KZN Mid-Amateur Open Stroke Play. For selection purposes, non-participation in this tournament will only be accepted if prior approval has been obtained from the President.
  (See under "How it is Calculated" on KZNGU website for Counting Events)

Seniors and Super-Seniors

- Refer to Seniors By-Laws on KZNGU website.

Under 19

- As detailed under Junior Golf on the KZNGU website.

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