

How the KZNGU Premier Player Ranking Works

Objective

Provide a Ranking in which performances in Counting Events over a rolling 12 months period.

Counting Events

Each year the KZNGU determines which of its sanctioned tournaments count towards the Ranking (Counting Events). For this ranking the following are Counting Events.

COUNTING EVENTS: PREMIER RANKING

| Tournament | Grade |
|-------------------------------|-------|
| Northern Natal Open | C |
| East Griqualand Championships | C |
| KZN Invitational Stroke Play | A |
| Midlands Open | B |
| KZN Open Strokeplay | A |
| Zululand Open | C |
| David Suddards Trophy | A |
| Ilembe GF North Coast Open | B |
| KZN Closed | A |
| KZN Amateur: Qualifying | A |
| KZN Amateur: Matchplay | A |
| Maritzburg Open | B |
| Southern Natal Championships | B |

Figure 1: Counting Events

As it is a rolling 12 month period, tournaments falling within that period, at the time of review, form the counting events.

Eligibility for Ranking

Players that are a member of a golf club affiliated to the KZNGU, and who are handicapped at that club, are eligible.

Who gets Points?

Only eligible players participating in a Counting Event are allocated points based on their relative finishing position. **Exception:** In match play points are allocated based on final finishing position.

For examples on the distribution of points, see Figure 2 below.

How does a player win points?

Each Counting Event is graded A, B or C with a total points pool per grade as indicated in Figure 1 above. The total points pool is distributed by the relative finishing positions of eligible players. For example, the leading eligible player of an A graded Counting Event will win 20 points.

How are points for players tying managed?

In the event of more than one eligible player tying on a score, then all players on the same score will get the same number of points calculated as follows: Add all points the tied players would have got had they not tied; divide the total by the number of players tying; all players are then allocated the result (which is an average).

Exception: In the event of a tie on the leading score, taking all players (eligible and non eligible for ranking) into account, on conclusion of a Counting Event, then in the event of a playoff the winner will be given 1st place points. The remaining players will be considered tied in 2nd place and get the same number of points calculated as stated in this paragraph, from second place.

For a player who has played in more than 10 Counting Events:

Disregard the Counting Events in which the two lowest number of points were won; add the total number of points won in the remaining Counting Events played and divide by the total of all Counting Events played less two.

(Eg: if a player has played 10 Counting Events, then disregard the two Counting Events in which the player has scored the least number of points. Add the total number of points for 8 Counting Events and divide the total by 8).

Who is listed in the Ranking?

Players who are eligible (see 'Eligibility for Ranking') only are given a ranking position provided they have played a minimum of 4 counting events. If a player has not played 4, he will be listed on the ranking but not given a position. Eligible Players with no points are not displayed on the Ranking.

Team Selection Criteria.

These rankings do not reflect the criteria required of players, as set out by the KZNGU, for provincial team selection. This is posted on the KZNGU's website.

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