



2026 WOMEN'S 72 HOLES: SELECTION CRITERIA

The purpose of the WP Golf Team Selection Criteria is to provide a clear understanding for players of WP Golf Team selection, and to encourage player participation.

The interpretation of the WP Golf Team selection criteria is at the sole discretion of the WP Golf Selection Committee.

The over-riding principle is to select a team that will represent WP Golf with pride, dignity, and honour and that affords the team the best possible prospect of success at the tournament for which it is selected, within the selection criteria and policy parameters of WP Golf.

The final selection of WP Golf Teams rests with the Selection Committee in accordance with the WP Golf Selection Policy & Criteria. All WP Golf Teams selected require motivation sent for the ratification of the President of WP Golf.

WP Golf reserves the right to alter the team selection criteria as published at their discretion.

Should a player qualify for selection for more than one WP Golf Team, WP Golf reserves the right to adjust a Selection Order of Merit accordingly by removing the player and re-ranking the order.

Tournament Dates:	12 to 14 October 2026
Tournament Venue:	East London GC, Eastern Cape Union.
Team Composition:	A Team: 3 Players Futures Team: 3 Players

No Age Limit Applies

PLANNED KEY DATES:

Selection Meeting:	Week of 5 Sept 2026
Team Announcement:	Week of 12 Sept 2026
Team Admin Meeting:	Week of 19 Sept 2026
Capping Ceremony:	Oct 2026 – TBC
Tournament Departure:	10 October 2026
Tournament Return:	15 October 2026

2026 SELECTION CRITERIA:

- ⌘ Regardless of a player's ability or position on the WPG Selection Ranking / Order of Merit, player behaviour and attitude must fit the ethos of WP Golf.
- ⌘ The Selection Ranking is a GROSS stroke differential order of merit based on player participation in WP Golf Premier Amateur Tour (PAT) or WP Golf ranked tournaments as well as tournaments carrying GolfRSA National Ranking status as listed in the Qualifying Tournaments for 2025/26 and is the main criterion for selection - Position on the WP Golf Open Ranking.

- ✂ The GolfRSA Rankings, top 5, may be utilised for selection purposes; any selection made on this basis shall constitute an automatic selection.
- ✂ A Team
 - Automatic Selections - Top qualifying players on the Selection Ranking: Minimum of **2** players. (A Team)
 - Selector's Discretionary Selections: Maximum of **1** players. (A Team)
- ✂ Futures Team
 - Selections will be made using the Order of Merit (OoM) as a guide as well as player's potential as a future IPT team player.
- ✂ GolfRSA Team Transformation Targets applicable.
- ✂ Overall level and consistency of performance.
- ✂ Historical performance record at previous Inter-Provincial Tournaments.
- ✂ Performance in key WP Golf and National Tournaments.
- ✂ Health & Fitness.

2025/26 SELECTION RANKING (ORDER OF MERIT):

Season Time Period: 18 January 2026 – 30 August 2026

Min. number of rounds: **14** Rounds to be played.

Counting Round Scores: Best 80% of played round differentials.

Essential Rounds: 2026 WP Amateur Championships or any 1 other National Ranking Tournament.

The Qualifying Tournaments for the 2026 72 Hole Teams Selection			ROUNDS
18-Jan-26	Kuils River Open	Kuils River GC	2
24-25 Jan-26	Eastern Province & Border Open Championship	East London GC	3
08-Feb-26	Durbanville Open	Durbanville GC	2
14-15 Feb-26	North West Open Championship	Magaliespark GC	2
15-Feb-26	Strand Open	Strand GC	2
22-27 Feb-26	SA Women's Amateur Stroke Play Championship	GN	3
8-10 Mar-26	WP Women's Amateur Championship	Open	3
21-22 Mar-26	Boland Women's and Junior Championship	TBC	3
12-14 Apr-26	KwaZulu Natal Amateur Championship	Mount Edgecombe CC	2
18-19 Apr-26	Cobra/Puma CGGU Women's Open	TBC	3
26-Apr-26	Metropolitan Open	Metropolitan GC	
9-10 May-26	Free State Open Championship	Parys GC	2
10-May-26	Rondebosch Open	Rondebosch GC	2
24-May-26	Erinvale Open	Erinvale GC	2
9-10 May-26	Limpopo Open Championship	Polokwane GC	2
07-Jun-26	Westlake Open	Westlake GC	2
21-Jun-26	Clovelly Open	Clovelly GC	2
28-Jun-26	Bellville Open	Bellville GC	2
19-Jul-26	Atlantic Beach Links Open	Atlantic Beach GC	2
02-Aug-26	Steenberg Open	Steenberg GC	2
07-09 Aug-26	Southern Cape Open	Mossel Bay GC	2
16-Aug-26	Somerset West Open	Somerset West GC	2
30-Aug-26	King David Mowbray Open	KDMowbray GC	2
*removed due to limited entries			
*removed due to cancellation			

SELECTOR'S DISCRETIONARY SELECTIONS:

Selections may take the following into consideration:

- ✂ Players not fulfilling minimum number of Selection Order of Merit qualifying rounds due to moving from another union,
- ✂ Player injury or unavailability but whose experience, form or performances is considered invaluable subject to the player having played some Selection Ranking qualifying rounds,
- ✂ Position on the Selection Ranking,
- ✂ Outstanding performances in WP Golf & National ranking events,
- ✂ Player commitment to WP Golf.

A player may not receive more than 1 Selector's Discretionary selection in any consecutive 2-year cycle, this excludes selections made to meet GolfRSA Transformation Targets. Futures Team selections excluded?

PLAYER'S RESPONSIBILITIES:

- ✂ Players must be registered affiliated members and handicapped at a Club affiliated to WP Golf, and in accordance with the GolfRSA policy must have been handicapped in the WP for a period of 6 months prior to the start of the IPT.
- ✂ Tournament withdrawals Players who fail to complete a tournament they have entered, whether by withdrawal (WD), no return (NR), or disqualification (DQ), may be deemed ineligible for selection during the current season. Scores from completed rounds in such in-completed tournaments will not count towards the Selection Order of Merit. Each case will be considered on its merits by the Selection Committee.
- ✂ To play in WPG Tournaments, PAT events and other National Tournaments that are included in the Selection Order of Merit qualifying rounds to meet at least the minimum number of qualifying rounds required. The Selection Order of Merit published will display all participants, it is the player's responsibility to ensure they are eligible for selection by meeting the minimum number of round requirements.
- ✂ Players should familiarise themselves with the WP Golf Team Selection Criteria and Policy (are we referring to a document that is not published?) that includes an explanation of the Selection Order of Merit.
- ✂ If selected, players are expected to commit to the preparation programme which will be presented to the selected team that may include for example travelling to the IPT venue in advance for practice rounds, stipulated practice rounds, foursome events, etc... If a selected player elects not to participate in the preparation programme, WP Golf reserves the right to replace that player. This requirement will only be waived in exceptional circumstances.
- ✂ Players are required to conduct themselves in accordance with the Rules of Golf, including the requirements for player conduct, as well as any Code of Conduct, player conduct / etiquette provisions as required or as determined by WP Golf (e.g. WP Golf Hard Card, Player Code of Conduct for Teams and the like) from time to time.

Players not conducting themselves in accordance with any of the conduct and/or etiquette provisions may be regarded as ineligible for selection whether such player qualifies for selection as an automatic pick or not. WP Golf reserves the right, at its own discretion, to overlook any player for selection if it considers a player to be in breach of any such player Code of Conduct whether implicit or not. All players selected to represent WP Golf will be required to sign a mandatory Player Code of Conduct in confirmation of their selection and any breach thereof could result in them being omitted from future selection. Players refusing to sign the Code of Conduct will eliminate themselves from such selection as a result.

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