



RLIGOLF JUNIOR GOLF TOUR 2018 ENTRY CRITERIA & RULES

ENTRIES

Entries are open to players who:

- Are aged 5 to 14yrs (Boys & Girls) on 1st January 2018.
- No Handicaps needed
- Want to play golf in a fun environment
- Want to develop their experience within golf

Entry fees £4 per event or £24 for all 6 events. Plus £12 Tour Membership Fee.

Application forms and payment **must** be received by closing date on **13th April 2018**

Applications posted after the closing date will be accepted at the organisers discretion and are limited to a **maximum of 80 places** subject to tee time availability.

Confirmation of entry will be made via email once application and full payment has been received.

CATEGORIES

	Age GROUP	Round Holes	GENDER	TEE
1	5-7	6 Holes	BOYS/GRILS	ORANGE
2	7-9	9 Holes	BOYS/GIRLS	PURPLE
3	10-12	9 Holes	BOYS/GRILS	BLUE
4	13-14	9 Holes	BOYS/GIRLS	RED

Players will remain in the category that they play the first event in for all of the qualifying events and final.

FORMAT

All five qualifying events will be played over 9 holes at each venue.

All categories will play a Strokeplay format, meaning that the score they enter for each hole will be the number of strokes taken to complete the hole.

Players will Max a total of 8 strokes on each hole. Meaning of any more is taking they can pick up and continue to next hole.

Yardages of hole and tee box's will be displayed by age category (as shown in table below).

AGE GROUP YARDAGES	PAR 3	PAR 4	PAR 5	9-HOLE TARGET YARDAGE
BOYS 13-14	100-210	221-420	441-550	3000
BOYS 10-12, GIRLS 13-14	100-200	221-400	401-530	2800
BOYS 8-9, GIRLS 10-12	70-130	131-250	251-360	2100
BOYS 7, GIRLS 8-9	60-110	111-210	211-300	1500
BOYS 5-6, GIRLS 7	50-90	91-170	171-240	1100

RULES

A Parental Consent and Photographic Consent must be received before a junior will be allowed to play.

Players must register a minimum of 30 minutes before their tee time and must be with the starter 10 minutes before their tee time.

All players are responsible for their own scorecard and must sign it before bringing it to the registration desk immediately after the completion of play.

RLIJGT 7-14 year old player Categories

Will follow R&A and Local Rules on scorecards with an **8 shot maximum per hole**, when a player has played 8 shots on a hole, they **MUST** pick up their ball and mark an 8 on their scorecard.

Players are allowed caddies throughout their nine holes. Caddies must not effect or advise the players decision but guide them to the best of their knowledge in any situation. Caddies much not interfere with other players decisions within their group of play other than there own player. If any caddie is seen to disturb play of any player, causing slow play, the caddie will be forbidden from the next event.

RLIJGT BEGINNER RULES (ORANGE)

8 SHOT RULE: When a player has played 8 shots on a hole, they **MUST** pick up their ball and mark an 8 on their scorecard.

BUNKERS: If a player is in a bunker and cannot get out after **TWO attempts**, they pick up their ball and take a **FREE drop** to the nearest side of the bunker within 2 club lengths.

WATER HAZARDS: Players are NOT allowed to try and collect their ball. Players should drop a ball within a safe distance to the side of the hazard for a **ONE STROKE PENALTY**. (Add 1 stroke to score on hole).

STAKED TREES: Must NOT be damaged. Players **MUST** pick up their ball and take a **FREE DROP** away from the tree. This rule applies to staked trees only.

BALL LOST OR OUT OF BOUNDS: If a ball is lost or out of bounds, a ball should be dropped as near as possible to where the ball entered out of bounds for a **ONE STROKE PENALTY**. (Add 1 stroke to score on hole).

Tournament Directors decision will be FINAL on all disputes.

ETIQUETTE & FAIR PLAY

A parent or guardian must remain at the golf club unless another parent is prepared to take responsibility for the player.

We encourage parents/guardians and family to go on the course to watch and encourage the golfers, but they must refrain from standing on the greens and tee boxes.

PRIZES/TROPHIES

Prizes or Trophies will be awarded to the best score of each category and for first place in the putting competition (if a putting comp is run) at each qualifying event.

At each event players will have the opportunity to play for a best gross score there will be no handicaps involved within play and therefore be a prize in each category – this result will accumulate order of merit points

Presentation of prizes for all Four categories will take place after play at the 19th August at the final event. All players are encouraged to attend, and winners should ensure they extend their apologies if unable to.

ORDER OF MERIT

The following points will be awarded to each placed player in each category

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	10th
200 pts	180 pts	160 pts	140 pts	120 pts	100 pts	80 pts	60 pts	40 pts	20 pts

Players are required to play in a minimum of **FOUR** of the five events to qualify to the RLIGolf Junior Golf Tour Final.

For those players who play all five qualifying events, their best **FOUR** results will count towards the Order of Merit.

In the event of two players having the same Order of Merit points' total, the player with the lowest score in any one event will finish higher in table. If the two players have the same best finish it will be decided by their second-best finish and so on.

In the event of an event being cancelled due to weather or other reason, the organisers will try to reschedule it if possible otherwise the tour will be reduced in events. In this instance players will need to compete in a minimum of three events to be eligible for the final and their best three scores will count towards the order of merit.

A total of 4 players from each category will qualify for the RLIGolf Junior Golf Tour Final making up the 16-person event.

A decision on this allocation will be made before the first qualifying event.

RLIGOLF Junior Golf Tour Final

Players will be informed of their place in the RLIGJT final within a week of the last qualifying event.

Revised rules may be in place at the Final and will be made available to all finalists before the event.

Any player who knows he or she will not be available to take part in the Regional Final is still welcome to play in the qualifying events and order of merit but is encouraged to tell the Tour Manager in advance of the last qualifying event. Order of merit winner will be awarded a prize in-effect of final event.

Each finalist is responsible for telling the RLIGJT Manager their shirt size as soon as possible after the qualifiers have been announced.

Big thankyou for all taking part we aim for fun and enjoyment out on the golf course.

