



EKURHULENI GOLF UNION
SELECTION CRITERIA
MEN'S STROKE AVERAGE RANKING SYSTEM

Objective

To provide a ranking system in which player performance is measured using **stroke averages across Counting Events over a rolling 12-month period**.

This system is designed to:

- Accurately reflect **true scoring ability**
 - Reward **consistent performance**
 - Account for **course difficulty**
 - Ensure **fair and transparent team selection**
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Counting Events

- Each year, Ekurhuleni Golf Union (EGU) will determine which tournaments count towards the Stroke Average Rankings (known as **"Counting Events"**).
 - Only **Stroke Play events** will be included.
 - Counting Events may include:
 - EGU-sanctioned tournaments
 - Provincial events
 - National events (if approved by EGU)
 - The official list of Counting Events will be published annually.
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Eligibility for Ranking

Players are eligible for inclusion in the Stroke Average Rankings if they:

- Are members of a golf club affiliated to EGU (6 month or longer)
 - Have an official **GolfRSA Handicap Index**
 - Meet the age requirement for the specific age division
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How is the Ranking Calculated?

The Stroke Average Ranking is calculated using a **rolling 12-month system**, consisting of two key steps:

Step 1: Rolling 12-Month Structure

- The ranking operates on a **rolling 12-month basis**
 - Scores from Counting Events remain valid for 12 months
 - When a Counting Event is played again in the following year:
 - The previous year's scores from that event are **removed**
 - The new scores are **added**
 - If an event is cancelled:
 - Scores remain until the next corresponding event is played or removed from the schedule
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Step 2: Stroke Average Calculation

Each player's ranking is determined using their **Stroke Average from Counting Events**, calculated as follows:

Stroke Average Model

Minimum Requirement

- A **minimum divisor of 7 tournaments** applies
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Calculation Method

- The stroke average of the best 10 rounds of the minimum 7 tournaments will be used in the selection to represent an IPT team.
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For players with more than 7 rounds:

- The system uses a **"Best Rounds" model**

Rounds Played

- For the selection only the **best 10** rounds will be counted
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Adjusted Stroke Average (Performance Metric)

To ensure fairness across different courses:

- Each round is adjusted relative to:
 - Course Rating
 - Course difficulty

Final Performance Calculation:

Adjusted Stroke Average = (Score – Course Rating Adjustment Factor)

- A **weighting factor (e.g. 1/3 of rating difference)** may be applied
 - This ensures:
 - Strong performances on difficult courses are rewarded
 - Easier courses do not unfairly benefit players
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Ranking Order

- Players are ranked based on their **Adjusted Stroke Average**
 - The **lower the average**, the higher the ranking
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Handling of Ties

- If two or more players have the same Stroke Average:
 - The player with the **better most recent performances** will be ranked higher
 - If still tied:
 - Head-to-head results may be considered
 - Selector discretion may apply
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Participation Requirement

- Players are encouraged to compete in multiple Counting Events
- A minimum number of rounds is required for:
 - Ranking validity
 - Selection consideration

Failure to meet minimum participation may result in exclusion from automatic selection.

International Duty / Missed Events

- If a player misses a Counting Event due to **official international duty**:
 - The union may assign a **performance equivalent score**
 - This may be based on:
 - The player's current Stroke Average
 - Recent performances
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Publication of Rankings

- Rankings will be:
 - Updated regularly (recommended: after each Counting Event)
 - Published on:
 - EGU Website
 - Official communication platforms
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Use of Rankings for Selection

The Stroke Average Ranking will serve as the **primary tool for IPT team selection**.

- Top-ranked players will be considered for **automatic selection**
 - Selectors may also consider:
 - Recent form
 - Match play ability
 - Team balance
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Amendments

EGU reserves the right to amend this system where necessary to ensure:

- Fairness
 - Accuracy
 - Alignment with competitive standards
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Mid-Amateur Inter Provincial Tournament:

The top six (6) players from the EGU Mid-Amateur Order of Merit will be automatically chosen to represent the Union at the IPT event

Senior Inter Provincial Tournament:

The top six (6) players from the EGU Senior Order of Merit will be automatically chosen to represent the Union at the IPT event

Super Senior Inter Provincial Tournament:

The top four (4) players from the EGU Senior Order of Merit will be automatically chosen to represent the Union at the IPT event

CODE OF CONDUCT

As a selected member of a Ekurhuleni Golf Union Team, a player should pledge to uphold the honour of his Team and Province – be loyal and dependable and to acquit himself to the best of his ability, not allowing personal lifestyles to interfere with Team spirit or other Team Members, whether in uniform or not.

To maintain integrity and behaviour higher than that which is expected of others.

To support Team Members, Captain and Officials in striving for team spirit and harmonious co-operation.

Players not adhering to these conditions may at the discretion of the captain and/or Manager be replaced and disciplinary action taken against him.

BY ORDER OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE