

2009 Asia-Pacific Open Golf Championship Panasonic Open
(Shortened Title: Asia-Pacific Panasonic Open)

THE CHAMPIONSHIP CONDITIONS

- CHAMPIONSHIP HOSTS: Asia-Pacific Golf Confederation (APGC)
Panasonic Corporation
Japan Golf Association (JGA)
- SUPPORT: Ministry of Education, Culture, Sports, Science and Technology,
Kyoto Prefectural Government, Joyo City, Tokyo Broadcasting System Incorporated (TBS)
- COOPERATION: Joyo Country Club, Kansai Golf Union, Kyoto Golf Association,
South Kyoto Golf Association,,
Mainichi Broadcasting System, Inc.
- SPECIAL COOPERATION: Japan Golf Tour Organization, Asian Tour
- DATES: September 24 (Thu) –27 (Sun), 2009
Pro-Am Tournament: September 22 (Tue)
- VENUE: Joyo Country Club East/West Course
1-46 Okuyama Terada, Joyo City, Kyoto 610-0121, Japan
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1. RULES OF GOLF: The competition shall be played in accordance with the Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited, and with the Local Rules approved by the Championship Committee.
 2. COMMITTEE'S DECISION: The Championship Committee reserves the right to amend the Championship conditions and the decision of the Committee will, in all matters, be final.
 3. CONDITIONS: The starting field shall be comprised of 132 players.
September 24 (Thu) First Round (18-holes stroke play)
September 25 (Fri) Second Round (18-holes stroke play)
The 60 lowest scores over the first 36 holes and any tying for 60th place will qualify for the 3rd and the final round.
September 26 (Sat) Third Round (18-holes stroke play)
September 27 (Sun) Final Round (18-holes stroke play)
In the event of play being either delayed or declared null and void for any round of the Championship, the Championship Committee will make every effort to complete 72 holes by Sunday. If conditions exist which make the completion of 54 holes impossible, the Championship may be shortened to 36 holes at the discretion of the Championship Committee. If not possible to complete 36 holes by Sunday, the Championship shall be canceled.

In the event that a player becomes disqualified and the cut line for 60 lowest scores and anyone tying for 60th place has been changed thereby, after the point that 2nd round was completed and the starting time and the pairings of the 3rd round were announced, no replacement of players who proceed to the 3rd and the 4th round shall be made.

4. **DECISION OF TIES:** In the event of a tie or ties for the first place and/or the lowest amateur after 72 holes, there will be a hole-by-hole play-off over the holes designated by the Championship Committee to decide the winner and/or the lowest amateur.
If the play-off involves more than 2 players, those other than the winner (or the lowest amateur) will be deemed to have tied for 2nd place (or 2nd amateur) regardless of their scores in the play-off.
5. **GOLF BALLS:** (1) List of Conforming Golf Balls – The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect. (See Appendix I (c)1b, page 142.)
(2) One Ball Condition – The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect. (See Appendix I (c)1c, page 142.)
6. **DRIVING CLUBS:** List of Conforming Driver Heads – The specimen Condition in the Rules of Golf is in effect. (See Appendix I (c)1a, page 141.)
7. **TRANSPORTATION:** Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round unless authorized by the Committee. The optional condition prescribed in Appendix I (c) 9 of the Rules of Golf (page 146.) is in effect.
8. **CLOSE OF COMPETITION:** The competition is deemed to be closed when the Chairman of the Championship Committee declares the result at the awarding ceremony.
9. **ELIGIBILITY:** Exemption for the 2009 Asia-Pacific Open Golf Championship Panasonic Open will be granted to the golfers who fall under the following categories:
(1) Winners of each of the national amateur championships hosted by the APGC member associations whose delegation teams finished in the top 10 places for the 2007 Nomura Cup team competition, or any player selected by these associations. (see Note 1)
(2) First 5 and anyone tying for 5th place in the 2007 Nomura Cup individual competition. (see Note 1)
(3) First 5 and anyone tying for 5th place in the 2009 Mission Hills Asia-Pacific Open Amateur Championship. (see Note 1)
(4) The lowest amateur of the 2008 Asia-Pacific Open Golf Championship Panasonic Open(see Note 1)
(5) The lowest amateur of the 2008 Japan Open Golf Championship. (see Note 1)
(6) Winner and runner-up of the 2009 Japan Amateur Golf Championship. (see Note 1)
(7) Winner of the 2009 Japan Junior Golf Championship (Men 15-17). (see Note 1)
(8) Winner of the 2009 Japan Collegiate Golf Championship. (see Note 1)
(9) Winners of the Asia-Pacific Open Golf Championship Panasonic Open for the last 5 years.
(10) First 10 in the 2008 Asia-Pacific Open Golf Championship Panasonic Open
(11) Winners of the Asian Tour Order of Merit the last 5 years.
(12) Multiple tournament winners of the Asian Tour events.
(13) Winners of the Asian Tour events through September 20, 2009.
(14) Leading players in the 2008 Asian Tour Final Order of Merit (Except those who otherwise eligible, it will be filled until which achieves a quorum.).
(15) The current winner from each of the National Open Championships hosted by the APGC member organizations.
(16) First 30 in the 2008 Japan Golf Tour Final Money List.
(17) Winners of the Japan Golf Tour events from September 29, 2008 through September 20, 2009.
(18) Winners of the Japan Open Golf Championship the last 5 years (2004-2008)
(19) Winners of the Japan PGA Championship the last 3 years (2007-2009)
(20) Winners of the UBS Japan Golf Tour Championship Shishido Hills the last 3 years (2007-2009)
(21) First 10 and anyone tying for 10th place in the 2008 Japan Open Golf Championship.
(22) Leading players in the 2009 Japan Golf Tour money list as of August 3, 2009; i.e. through completion of the Sun Chlorella Classic (Except those who otherwise eligible, it will be filled until which achieves a quorum.).
(23) Special exemptions selected by the Tournament Organizing Committee.
Note 1: Category (1) - (8) are only applicable if the entrant concerned is still an amateur.
Note 2:The Championship Committee reserves the right to reject or cancel the entry at any time (including during the competition) if it considers his entry is inappropriate for the Championship.
10. **PRIVATE CADDIES:** A player may bring his own caddie. If so, fill in the predefined blank on the application form.

11. ENTRIES: Applicants must completely fill in the official entry form and apply as follows:
 Applicants under the category of (1) ~ (8), (15) and (23 *amateur): to JGA by Fax or Email.
 Japan Golf Association (JGA)
 Kyobashi YS Bldg. 2F, 1-12-5, Kyobashi, Cyuo-ku, Tokyo 104-0031, JAPAN
 Fax : +81(0)3-3566-0101 / Email: apoentry@jga.or.jp
Note: Entry by Telephone is not acceptable.
 Applicants under the category of (9) ~ (14) and (16) ~ (23 *professional): to JGTO by Telephone or Fax.
 Japan Golf Tour Organization (JGTO)
 Akasaka Habitation Building 5F, 1-3-5 Akasaka Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-0052, JAPAN
 Telephone : +81(0)3-3585-7381 / Fax : +81 (0)3-3585-7383
12. CLOSE OF ENTRIES: Applicants under the category of (1) ~ (3),(15) must apply to JGA by 5:00 P.M (JST) on Friday, July 31, 2009.
 Applicants under the category of (4) ~ (8),(23 *amateur) must apply to a given party by 5:00 P.M(JST) on Thursday, August 20, 2009.
 Applicants under the category of (9) ~ (14) and (16)~(23 *professional) must apply to JGTO by 5:00 P.M(JST) on Thursday, August 20, 2009.
Late applications are not acceptable and shall be automatically rejected for any cause.
13. ENTRY FEE: ¥26,000 (5% consumption tax included)
 Entry fee must be paid at the on-site registration (see clause 14 for schedule of the registration), and shall not be refunded in the event of withdrawal.
14. REGISTRATION: All players must register in person at the Registration Desk - located in the clubhouse at Joyo Country Club - on Tuesday, September 22 (7:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M.) or on Wednesday, September 23 (7:30 A.M.-5:00 P.M.). If unable to register in person, players must contact the Championship Office by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 23. A player is deemed to have withdrawn from the Championship unless he register in person or contact the Championship office by 5:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 23.
15. AWARD: Winner: Panasonic Cup, Asia-Pacific Open Cup
 Lowest Amateur: Panasonic Cup, Asia-Pacific Open Cup
 2nd & 3rd Amateur: Asia-Pacific Open Silver Plate
16. PURSE: Total purse of ¥150,000,000 (consumption tax excluded) shall be allocated to professionals according to their places in the final rankings of the Championship. Any prize money that would have been won by an amateur shall be allocated to a professional in the next place, and all subsequent prize moneys shall be replaced accordingly.

Place	Prize Money	Place	Prize Money	Place	Prize Money	Place	Prize Money
1	30,000,000	16	1,650,000	31	990,000	46	765,000
2	16,500,000	17	1,575,000	32	975,000	47	750,000
3	11,550,000	18	1,500,000	33	960,000	48	735,000
4	7,500,000	19	1,425,000	34	945,000	49	720,000
5	6,300,000	20	1,350,000	35	930,000	50	705,000
6	5,250,000	21	1,305,000	36	915,000	51	690,000
7	4,500,000	22	1,260,000	37	900,000	52	675,000
8	3,900,000	23	1,230,000	38	885,000	53	660,000
9	3,300,000	24	1,200,000	39	870,000	54	645,000
10	2,850,000	25	1,170,000	40	855,000	55	630,000
11	2,625,000	26	1,140,000	41	840,000	56	615,000
12	2,370,000	27	1,110,000	42	825,000	57	600,000
13	2,055,000	28	1,080,000	43	810,000	58	585,000
14	1,890,000	29	1,050,000	44	795,000	59	570,000
15	1,770,000	30	1,020,000	45	780,000	60	555,000

Note 1: Players who completed 72 holes and finished beyond 60th place shall equally share ¥2,700,000, maximum ¥540,000 each.

Note 2: Players who failed to make cut after first 36 holes, and those who advanced to the 3rd round but did not complete 72 holes (including disqualification during the 3rd and the final round), shall equally share ¥2,700,000, maximum ¥45,000 each.

Note 3: In the event of the Championship being shortened or canceled due to inclement weather or adverse conditions, prize money shall be allocated as follows:

- (1) Completing 54 holes: 75% of total amount of prize money shall be allocated to professionals who completed 54 holes.
- (2) Completing 36 holes: 50% of total amount of prize money shall be allocated to professionals who completed 36 holes and finished in first 60 and ties.
- (3) Completing 18 holes (canceled): 25% of total amount of prize money shall be allocated equally to professionals who completed 18 holes.
- (4) Not completing 18 holes (canceled): 25% of total amount of prize money shall be allocated equally to all professionals who registered at the Championship site.

17. SUBSTITUTIONS AND ALTERNATES: 45 spots are secured for each of the Japan Golf Tour and the Asian Tour. If there is any withdrawal, cancellation and/or duplicated eligible player on each tour, the spot shall be filled by each tour based on the eligibility category stated above, (14) and (22) respectively. If there are any additional spots available to fill 132 spots after the entry closing date (August 20, 2009 at 5:00 P.M.), they will be allocated to each tour alternatively, based on the eligibility category (14) and (22), beginning with category (22). On-site stand-by will be handled in accordance with the "On-site stand-by policy" stipulated separately.
18. DESIGNATED PRACTICE ROUNDS: Practice rounds are available on Monday, September 21 and on Wednesday, September 23. No practice rounds are permitted on the Pro-Am Day – Tuesday, September 22. Alternates are permitted to play practice rounds provided he contacted JGA in advance.
19. PRO-AM TOURNAMENT: Tuesday, September 22
20. TELEVISION COVERAGE: TBS will telecast the Championship Rounds.
21. CERTIFICATE OF PARTICIPATION: The Championship Name Tag
22. PRIVACY POLICY: By entering the Championship, each player assigns to the Tournament Hosts the right to use and disclose his personal information contained in "the 2009 Asia-Pacific Panasonic Open Entry Form" and "the 2009 Asia-Pacific Panasonic Open Players Profile", for the purposes provided below.
 - (1) To examine his eligibility for the 2009 Asia-Pacific Panasonic Open.
 - (2) To carry out necessary activities in relation to holding and operating the Championship. This includes, but not limited to, sending him documents related to the Championship (e.g. pairings, etc.), disclosing his name, date of birth, status whether professional or amateur, affiliation (e.g. club, company, or school and grade), result of the Championship, and other information, to those who involved in the Championship (including the Media).
 - (3) To store his personal information and result of the Championship, and to disclose the items listed in (2)- above when necessity arises after the Championship.
23. PORTRAIT RIGHTS: The Tournament Hosts arrange publicity of the Championship in the Media and by live and recorded radio and television broadcasting and other promotional activities. By entering the Championship, each player assigns to the Tournament Hosts the right to make, use, exhibit and reproduce in any way now known or hereafter devised (and to authorize others to do so), motion pictures, still pictures, live taped television, sound recordings and any other reproductions of any description of the player made in connection with the Championship (including pre- and post-tournament activities on the Championship site), without compensation for the player or the heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns of the player. A player's name, voice, likeness and biographical material may be used and reproduced in any way now known or hereafter devised by the Tournament Hosts for the purpose of promoting the Championship, without compensation for the player or the heirs, devisees, executors, administrators or assigns of the player.

24. ADDITIONAL PRIVILEGES: Lowest Amateur Exemption for 2009 Japan Open Golf Championship and 2010 Japan Amateur Golf Championship
Winner Exemption for Japan Golf Tour and Asian Tour for the remainder of the calendar year and 2 years following the end of the calendar year.
First 5 players() Exemption for 2009 Japan Open Golf Championship
() In the event of a tie for 5th place, it will be decided on the basis of the best score for the final round(Matching Score Card).
Even if the first 5 players has exempted otherwise, there is no filling up.

Note: Golf shoes that cause serious damage to the putting green may be prohibited by the Championship Committee.