



BTA LATVIAN MID-AMATEUR & SENIOR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

TERMS OF COMPETITION

The **BTA Latvian Mid-Amateur and Senior Open Championship 2025** will be on the 24th - 25th May at Jurmala Golf Club & Hotel, Piņķi, Mārupes nov., Latvia.

FORM OF PLAY

The **BTA Latvian Mid-Amateur and Senior Open Championship 2025** will be decided by stroke play over two rounds of 18 holes each played in accordance with the 2023 Rules of Golf as approved by R&A Rules Limited, the EGA Generic Terms of Competition and Regulations, the EGA Hard Card, the Local Rules approved by the Committee at the championship and the Terms herein.

ELIGIBILITY

An entry will be accepted only from amateur players.

Age group	Midam M/W (25+)	M/W 50	M/W 65	M/W 75
HCP limit	30/36	30/36	30/36	30/36
Tee Men	Yellow	Blue	Blue	Red
Tee Women	Red	Red	Red	Red

The age category is determined based on the player's age on Day 1 of the tournament. The HCP limit for all age groups is 30 for men and 36 for women. The handicap index certified at the date of entry will be used for all purposes. Players must provide a certified notice of their handicap index from the National Golf Association or the entrant's home club. The Committee reserves the right to confirm the date of birth of the player or his/ her handicap at any time before or during the tournament.

Players have the right to compete in a younger age group if they have previously notified LGF via email to info@lgf.lv.

Penalty for breach of Eligibility term: Disqualification

NUMBER OF COMPETITORS

The maximum number of participants in the competition is 144, of which no more than 120 are men and 24 are women. If entries exceed 144, preference will be given to players with a lower handicap. This decision will be taken by the Committee. If there are less than 6 players in the group, the Committee reserves the right to transfer players into another group.

CUT

All players are eligible to play on both tournament days.



DECISION OF TIES

In the event of a tie for the first place after two rounds, the winner shall be decided by a play-off by stroke play over holes to be selected by the Committee. The competitor with the lowest aggregate score over the extra hole/s shall be declared the winner. In the event of a further tie, the winner shall be decided hole-by-hole over the same or extra hole/s. In the event of a tie for the second or third place after two rounds), the winner shall be decided on the best score in the final round then the last 9, 6, 3, and the 18th hole of the last round. If needed, a 9-hole count-back is used on the first round as well.

TITLES AND PRIZES

Winners will be determined in each age category for both Mens and Womens Championships. Winners of each category will be presented with a Championship trophy.

Latvian citizens who win 1st place in all age groups, both in men's and women's competitions, will be awarded separately.

ENTRIES AND WITHDRAWALS

Entry fee: 120 EUR

Entries will close at 22:00 on the 21st May 2025 Latvian time. Registration must be done online on the LGF website www.lgf.lv in the Golfbox tournament section:

<https://www.golfbox.dk/livescoring/tour/?language=2057#/competition/4934263/info> , using your Golfbox ID. Payment will be made via an online credit card payment at the time of submitting the online application form. An entrant's form will have been officially received when his/her name will have been posted on the championship's players list

(<https://www.golfbox.dk/livescoring/tour/?language=2057#/competition/4934263/players>). All entries are subject to the approval of the Committee who reserves the right to accept or refuse any entry without giving reason for its decision, which shall be final.

Refunds Following Withdrawal. Entry fees will be refunded only if a written notice of withdrawal is received by the closing time of entries. The player will also be refunded if his/ her entry is rejected by the Committee, if he/ she is assigned to the reserve list and does not subsequently compete, or for those withdrawing for medical reasons (medical certification required).

First day tee times will be available until 17:00 on 22nd May.

Tee time principles:

First day – Player groups will be based on players' HCP. Men will play first, followed by women, ordered from lowest to highest HCP.

Final day – Players will be arranged according to the previous day's results. Leader flights will tee off last.

REGISTRATION

Players are requested to register at the club hour immediately after arrival on the tournament day and shall arrive at their designated starting point no less than 5 minutes before his or her official start time for that round.

Breach 1 Player will be warned by a Rules Official and told that if he/she has a further breach he/she will be penalized



Breach 2	One stroke penalty
Breach 3	Two stroke penalty
Breach 4	Disqualification

PRACTICE

Practice on the championship course on the day of a championship round is NOT allowed before or after the round. An exception applies when a player has finished his/ her final round of the championship and there is no reasonable chance that he/ she may have to participate in the play off for this championship. However, if a player who has practiced after finishing her final round has to participate in a play-off, the penalties for breach of rule 5.5 override this exception.

Breach 1	Two stroke penalty (Applied to the player's first hole)
Breach 2	Disqualification

ETIQUETTE AND DRESS CODE

Players and their caddies shall abide with the by-laws, rules, and dress regulations of modern golf etiquette. Players and their caddies may not carry or wear clothing with images, embroideries, or texts which don't abide the highest norms of conduct. Caddies are prohibited from wearing golf shoes. Players and caddies should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship always. Players and caddies should conduct themselves in a disciplined manner, always demonstrating courtesy and sportsmanship. Behaviour of the very highest order is expected by all players and caddies towards everyone involved in the Championship. Any player or caddy breaching the EGA Conduct Guidelines may be subject to disciplinary action by the Championship Committee.

CADDIES

The competitor is fully responsible for his/her caddie's actions. Any breach of rules, competition conditions or Code of Conduct by the caddie results in a penalty to the player. A player's caddy must not be a professional or a non-amateur. A caddie must be registered at the starter and a marking given by the starter must be worn during the competition rounds.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Two penalty strokes for each hole where the breach occurs.

TRANSPORTATION

Players shall walk always during a stipulated round unless permitted to ride by the Committee. Exception applies to groups *75+ Men* and *75+ Ladies* who are eligible to use transportation provided by the Committee during the rounds. If for medical reasons a buggy is required, the request has to be sent to the Latvian Golf Federation's email info@lgf.lv no later than by the end of registration deadline. The number of buggies is limited and they will be supplied based on a first come-first served basis.

Penalty for Breach of Condition: Two penalty strokes for each hole where the breach occurs.

TROLLEYS

The use of trolleys to carry the bag is permitted. Motorized trolleys are allowed.

MODIFICATIONS FOR PLAYERS WITH DISABILITIES

(Rule 25)



Any player who believes they are eligible to use the Modifications for Players with Disabilities (Rule 25) must contact info@lgf.lv at entry. Only players holding an EDGA Access Pass or WRG4D Pass are eligible to use the specific modifications in Rule 25.

COMPETITION CANCELLED OR ALTERED

The Committee reserves the right to cancel any round, suspend or postpone play, or cancel any competition round to come to an equitable decision to achieve a result.

The signal for the suspension of play:

Discontinue Play Immediately: One prolonged note of a horn.

Discontinue Play: Three short consecutive notes of a horn.

Resume Play: Two short consecutive notes of a horn.

During play suspension till further Committee's notice, all of the practice areas are closed!

Once decision about the time of resume of play has been made, players will be given 20 minutes before this time for warm-up.

PACE OF PLAY

Players should refer to the [LGF Pace of Play Policy](#).

RETURNING OF SCORE CARD

A player's score card is deemed officially returned to the Committee when the player has left the designated Scoring Area with both feet.

CLOSE OF THE COMPETITION

Any dispute or doubtful point on the Rules must be referred to the Committee as soon as possible and before the conclusion of play on the final day. The Competition will be deemed closed once the results are officially announced at the end of day 2 when the trophies have been awarded to the group's winner.

ANTI-DOPING

Any Player may be subject to a doping test upon the selection of the doping controller. The doping control is carried out according to the regulations of the World Anti-Doping Code. Abidance of the Anti-Doping Code during the competition is overseen by Latvian Golf Federation, which in case of a breach notifies all the involved persons and organizations.

DISCLAIMER

On entering the competition player/player's representative agree that there are certain risks inherent in the game of golf and accept personal and sole liability for all such risks as well as agree that personal data being processed during the competition and after it, any kind of video or images can be taken, and this material can be used for publicity needs.

COMPETITION COMMITTEE

Irēna Vītola, head referee



Andris Eihmanis, referee

Ilze Krūskopa-Kaleine, referee

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