



# **QUALIFICATION CRITERIA FOR TOURNAMENT DIRECTORS & RULES INSTRUCTORS**

## **INTRODUCTION**

The Indian Golf Union (IGU) has, in 2011, entered into an agreement with the R&A for a 3 tier Certification of Rules Officials in India. The program including the processes, courses and examinations leading to various levels of certification is managed by the **Referee Certification Committee**, This Committee shall comprise of the following members;

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| 1. Chairman -  | Chairman IGU Technical Committee                      |
| 2. Member -    | Chairman IGU NGAI Committee                           |
| 3. Secretary - | Director General IGU                                  |
| 4. Member -    | Member of Technical, Rules & Amateur Status Committee |
| 5. Member-     | Nominee of The R&A                                    |
| 6. Member-     | Vice President of The IGU                             |

This Committee will also manage the selection and, training and certification of Tournament Administrators and Rules Instructors.

The program has met with great success since its implementation and has achieved the objectives, details of which are available on the IGU website.

With the mushrooming of the game a great demand has also been placed for Tournament Administrators and Instructors for Level 1 and Level 2 programs which span golfers, juniors and caddies.

As the standards required for such administrator and instructors is considerably high, the IGU on the advice of the R&A , has formulated these criteria for selection of candidates to be further trained as Rules Instructors and/or Tournament Directors



## **THE PROGRAM**

### **1) Category B Tournament Directors of the IGU**

- a) The IGU to conduct one training program, at least once every two years for those who have obtained the requisite marks and are qualified/invited.
- b) Eligible candidates will be from those who have secured the Category A Rules Official Certification of the IGU (National Level) in the preceding 3 years of the program.
- c) In addition, such candidates would have officiated in at least 10 IGU Categorised or PGTI events.
- d) No adverse remarks should have been received from the TD's of these events.
- e) The candidate will have demonstrated Practical knowledge of the Rules and an ability to handle situations. Professional experience of the candidate will also carry weightage.

Successful candidates of the program will receive appropriate certification and will be eligible to administer tournaments at the Club level and upto and including the IGU's Zonal Junior events.

### **2) Category A Tournament Directors of the IGU**

- a) The IGU to conduct one training program, at least once every two years for those who have obtained the requisite marks and are qualified/invited.
- b) Eligible candidates will be from those who have secured 75 % and above from a R&A Tournament Administrators & Referees School (TARS) at St. Andrews or Asia in the preceding 5 years of the program.
- c) Exceptional candidates with the Category A Rules Official Certification of the IGU (National Level) in the preceding 3 years of the program may also be considered.
- d) In addition, such candidates would have officiated in at least 20 IGU Categorised or PGTI events. Any International experience will be given special weightage.
- e) No adverse remarks should have been received from the TD's of these events.
- f) The candidate will have demonstrated Practical knowledge of the Rules and an ability to handle situations. Professional experience of the candidate will also carry weightage.

Successful candidates of the program will receive appropriate certification and will be eligible to administer all tournaments at the National Level.



### 3) Category B Rules Instructor of the IGU

- a) The IGU to conduct one training program, at least once every two years for those who have obtained the requisite marks and are qualified/invited.
- b) Eligible candidates will be from those who have secured the Category A Rules Official Certification of the IGU (National Level) in the preceding 3 years of the program, with a minimum mark of 80 % in the written exam.
- c) In addition, such candidates would have officiated in at least 10 IGU Categorised or PGTI events.
- d) No adverse remarks should have been received from the TD's of these events.
- e) The candidate will have demonstrated Practical knowledge of the Rules and an ability to handle situations. Professional experience of the candidate will also carry weightage.
- f) The materials will be prepared and issued by the IGU and only such material is to be used while instructing.

Successful candidates of the program will receive appropriate certification and will be eligible to instruct on Rules at the IGU's Caddie Training programs and the IGU's Rules Road shows for Club members.

### 4) Category A Rules Instructor of the IGU

- a) The R&A will conduct training programs, at locations and intervals convenient to them for those who have obtained the requisite marks and are qualified / invited.
- b) Eligible candidates:  
**To teach the Level 1 program:** Will be from those who have secured 80 % and above from an IGU-R&A or R&A Level 2 program or a pass from a R&A Tournament Administrators & Referees School (TARS) at St. Andrews or Asia in the preceding 5 years of the program.  
**To teach the Level 2 program:** Will be from those who have secured 80 % and above from a R&A Tournament Administrators & Referees School (TARS) at St. Andrews or Asia in the preceding 5 years of the program.
- c) In addition, such candidates would have officiated in at least 20 IGU Categorised or PGTI events. Any International experience will be given special weightage.
- d) No adverse remarks should have been received from the TD's of these events.
- e) The candidate will have demonstrated Practical knowledge of the Rules and an ability to handle situations. Professional experience of the candidate will also carry weightage.

Successful candidates of the program will receive appropriate certification and will be eligible to instruct on Rules at the IGU- R&A Level 1 and Level 2 Rules Schools in India.



#### **5) Course Dates**

Please contact the IGU Secretariat or check the IGU website for details.

#### **6) Disclaimer of Liability**

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#### **7) Stipulation of the IGU**

The terms and conditions set out above may be reviewed and / or amended by the IGU at any time. In order to preserve the nature of the game, IGU may periodically prescribe additional conditions relating to “fit and proper criteria” in order to ensure that only committed individuals who satisfy the internal guidelines of IGU, are selected for various roles. This shall also be adhered to on an on-going basis and not merely at the time of entry / selection. The decision of the Committee of the IGU regarding selection or non-selection of any candidate is final and shall not be subject to any review. IGU reserves the right to withdraw the certification given to any candidate if at any time, IGU is of the view that the conduct of the candidate is not in line with the guidelines of the IGU.

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