

SA Country Districts Team Selection Criteria

NB! Restriction: Players can play only one of the following Inter Provincial Tournaments in a calendar year: Senior IPT, Country Districts or Mid-Amateur IPT. Players will however still be eligible to play Premier IPT no matter which of the three Tournaments they represented their Provincial Union in.

Overview

<u>Age Category</u>: There is no age restriction, however, the team selection committee has the authority to establish the minimum age requirement at its discretion.

Counting Tournaments:

- o Boland Club Opens
- <u>Mandatory Participation:</u> *competing in two (2) of the four tournaments* Boland Closed or Boland Amateur Stroke Play, Boland Foursomes Championship or Boland Match Play

Minimum Requirements:

- Be a BGU-affiliated male-golfer with an official handicap index.
- Be in good standing with the club and union.
- Log a minimum of eight (8) counting tournaments.
- All 8 tournaments must be played within the Boland Golf Union.

Conditions:

• Players that have moved to the Boland Golf Union must be an affiliated member of a golf club and handicapped in the Boland Golf Region for at least 6 (six) months before being eligible for BGU Team selection (this condition is to comply with the GolfRSA policy on players changing Unions).

Ranking Information

Season Dates: Twelve (12) month rolling ranking

The ranking is based on a point system and will be determined by the size of the field.

Only Boland events will be considered

Reference: Ranking Explained Document

Team Selection (eight-player team)

Automatic Selection / Qualifying Players:

The top Boland player (1) on the GolfRSA Open ranking.

The top three (3) players on the SACD ranking automatically qualify and will be selected, provided that they commit to the squad sessions.

Wild Card Selection: An additional four (4) players will be selected by the Team Selection Committee.

Reserve Players: Two (2) players will be selected from the squad as "Reserve Players".

To uphold fairness and transparency in the Wild Card and reserve player selection, the following criteria will be taken into account.

- o Player/s for the GolfRSA Transformation Targets if applicable
- o Performance in League Tournaments
- o Proven dedication to participating in league and preparatory events
- o Track Record in Match Play (Foursomes)
- o Performance in National or Provincial events (Dynamic Ranking)
- o Availability of Overseas Players
- o Track Record in the previous IPT

Team Preparation

A squad comprising twelve (12) players will be chosen four (4) months before the tournament. The selected players must commit to participating in the preparation period, and the team will subsequently be determined by the members of this squad.

Team Announcement: Three (3) Months before the tournament start date.

Definition of Wild Card Selection:

In sports, a "Wild Card" typically refers to a special entry or invitation that allows an individual to participate in a tournament, even though they haven't qualified through the standard means, such as earning a spot through rankings or a qualifying event. Wildcards are granted at the discretion of the selection committee and the governing bodies.

Boland Golf Union Conditions

"The Boland Golf Union Executive Committee and/or Team Selection Committee reserve the right to omit a player or players from selection at any level, regardless of their position on the order of merit. This decision may be based on factors such as a player's subpar team performance, contribution to team morale, or disciplinary record, whether at the team, club, or provincial level."

Selection and Advisory Committee

- o Boland Director of Golf
- o Boland Golf Operation's Manager
- o Executive Member
- Team Manager (Advisory)

All teams selected require the approval of the BGU President.