

## Where Good Players become Tour Players



15 Sunshine Tour Cards for Order of Merit Winners.



World Ranking Points on Road To events.



15 spots for Sunshine Tour Q-School final stage.



40 Events, all year.



# Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour Guide 2020 Season

## About Us

The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour is wholly owned and operated by CLG Golf CC trading as IGTGolf. Starting in October 2010 and ongoing through today, we will be playing in our 10th year in 2020.

IGTGolf operates and run the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour. This includes the Road To Sunshine Tour, Chase To Sunshine Tour and Race to Q-School events.

The IGT Challenge Tour is operated by a knowledgeable staff who are PGA and R&A certified. As

evidenced by the success of our alumni players, the IGT Challenge Tour is the most proven avenue to the PGA Tours.

Our goal, simply put, is to provide the best tournament conditions to prepare you to compete on golf's highest levels, as countless IGT Tour members have done before.

IGT is proud to announce that in 2017 we become a proud partner of the Sunshine Tour and the official development tour for the Sunshine Tour.

## Our Purpose

To glorify God and enrich lives as we deliver the best game ever played.

## Our Values

**LOVE.** Treat others like you'd want to be treated.

**SERVANT'S HEART.** Lead with what people need.

**EXCELLENCE.** Do great things with the gifts you've been given.

**COURAGE.** Learn, improve and boldly drive change that matters.

**FUN.** Work hard, laugh often.

**TEAM.** Together, we're better.

**INTEGRITY.** Be who you are and live up to your commitments.



**"To play consistently in higher tours you have to give yourself the time to mature by playing in lots of tournaments. This is exactly the opportunity that the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour offers."**

## Eligibility

The Tour is open to any professional or amateur golfer. Amateurs must have a handicap of 4 or less. Players are assumed to be Pro unless otherwise stated on the membership form. The Tour reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone.

## Membership

An eligible member of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour as defined will be regarded as a Member for the current official season upon receipt of the completed Membership application form AND the payment of the Membership fee. Until both the form and payment have been received by the Tour, a Player will be entered as a non-member and can play 3 events as a non-member.

ONLY members are eligible for Order of Merits and other incentives.

Membership can be taken up any time of the year.

Membership details available on our web [www.igtgolf.org](http://www.igtgolf.org) under Membership 2020.

## Order of Merits

- Race to Q-School - Points
- Chase To Sunshine Tour - Points
- Road To Sunshine Tour - Money
- IGT Rankings - Points
- Money Leader - Money

Only Players who made the cut receive points or money value.

## Race to Q-School

The Race to Q-School is open to all players. Starts in January and finish week prior to Sunshine Tour Q-School.

Players receive points for each event played and the top 15 progress to final stage of the Sunshine Tour Q-School.



## Chase To Sunshine Tour

The Chase To events are open to all players on a first come basis.

Players receive ranking point for each event played. Ranking points used for exemption category on Road To events.

Players receive Chase To point for Chase To Order of Merit. Top 3 players earn Sunshine Tour card for 2021 season.

## Road To Sunshine Tour

The Road To events are open to all members who have an exemption category. Exemption categories available on our website [www.igtgolf.org](http://www.igtgolf.org) under Membership 2020.

Players winnings for each event played count towards Road To Order of Merit. Top 6 players earn Sunshine Tour card for 2021 season. Amateurs not eligible for Road To Order of Merit.

Top 30 plays in the Tour Champs.

## Q-School

The Sunshine Tour Q-School forms part of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour. The top 60 at Q-School earns exemption status on the Road To events.

## Tournament Format

All tournaments will consist of 54-holes of stroke play gross. Fields will be cut after 36 holes.

All events are walking, and Pull/push carts are allowed during all tournament rounds. Players can carry own bag or use caddie.

## Cut

The cut per event will be published on our Tournament Info Sheet at event and send to players by email prior to event.

Cuts are between 30 - 50 and ties.





## Schedule

The Tour schedule is available on our website under Tournaments and a print at all events at our brochure stand.

## How to Enter

1. Quick entry option on our home page top menu.
2. Tournament option on our home page top menu. Click enter option.
3. Reply to SMS send to all members a week prior to start of event.
4. Send email to office@igtgolf.org
5. Contact us on 078 3300 440 or WhatsApp.

## Tournament Rules of Golf

All competitors shall receive a copy of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour Conditions of Competition and Local Rules card (which is referred to as the "Hard Card"). This explains any rule that affects or modifies a rule of golf. They are not reprinted herein as they are subject to change and alteration. The rules governing play shall be:

1. the Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Ltd;
2. Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour Conditions of Competition and additional Local Rules of the host club as approved by the Tournament Director. Players

receive a print at each event on the tee box with score card and pin sheet.

## Best Effort

In entering a tournament, a member shall for its duration, attempt to exercise his maximum golf skill and to play in a professional manner.

## Caddies

Players may use their own caddies. Caddies are not compulsory. Caddie contract are available from the tour and available at events.

## Dress Code

Only long pants allowed on Final Day. However, shorts are allowed on day 1 and 2 ONLY. Shirts are to be tucked in and hats must be worn forward.

## Distance Measuring Devices

1. A player may obtain distance information by using a laser device or Cell Phone app that measures distance only
2. However, if, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device that is designed to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g., gradient, wind-speed, temperature, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 4.3 for which the penalty is

disqualification.

## Mobile Telephones

Cell phones must be off at all times except if been used for yardage only.

## Pace of Play

A player or member who receives a total of three bad times under IGT Challenge Tour approved Pace of Play conditions, will incur a fine of R1,000 on receiving his third 'bad time' (unless this coincides with a fine or breach of the Pace of Play conditions). Each subsequent 'bad time' will incur a fine double that of the previous fine.

## Player Regulation

Member will receive a PDF copy to their email.

## Tour Policies

The Tour Policies is available on our website home page under Tour Policies and in Player regulation.

## Code of Behavior

The Code of Behavior set out is designed to help the management of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour and its members. The conduct and ethics that are expected from the members and to set out the procedure to be followed where there may have been a breach of the same.

Details in Player Regulations.



**"Patience is important and a good team around you. And you should take the tour as what it is: a development tour to achieve great things later on."**

## Big Easy IGT Challenge Season 2020

### Actual event procedures

#### Closing date

Race to Q-School & Chase To close 2 days before event starts at 5PM.  
Road To close 7 days before event starts at 5PM.

#### Withdrawals & No Shows

Withdraws will be accepted for any reason, when notice is given by 10:00 AM on the Friday before the tournament week. Players MUST call the tour office at 078 3300 440 to withdraw (WhatsApp or SMS can also be used) or email to office@igtgolf.org. For withdrawals after the Friday deadline, the player will receive a R500 fine. Medical and personal withdrawals after the Friday deadline will be evaluated case-by-case.

No Shows will NOT receive a refund or credit for any reason. No refund or credit will be given for any reason once a player has teed off.

Players with no show will be suspended for 4 events.

#### Register

Players must register before 10 AM Sunday and can reply to SMS or email. Players not registering will be removed from draw and receive a R500 fine.

#### Payments

Payments must be received before you tee up.

1. EFT 3 days before event.
2. Debit/Credit card at event.

#### 3. Cash at event

Our Bank details;  
IGTGolf  
First National Bank  
Acc#: 62284422046  
Branch code: 251141  
Cheque Account  
Reference: Name,Surname & Event  
Email to: office@igtgolf.org

note that a player must play one morning and one afternoon for round 1 & 2)

3. Travel Partners request(same side of draw). Please send request to 078330440 (WhatsApp)

#### Tee Times

1. These will be published on our web after 2:00 pm on Sunday.
2. Players receive tee time via email only (no SMS) Player must make sure they have a valid email. Up to 3 emails can be added.
3. Round 2 published once 1st score are entered.
4. All third round pairings are by score. These will be available approximately 15 minutes after completion of round 2.



#### Practice Round

Preferred rates are negotiated with clubs and players must show their Tour membership cards. Players must book their own practice round and are for own account.

#### Srixon Special

Available on day 1 Only. You receive 6 balls, Glove & Cap. R350 in 2019

#### Pairing Procedures

1. Pairings for first and second rounds pairings are grouped based on rankings. The actual groupings are established by computer.
2. Preferred Tee Times (Please

#### On Site Tournament check in

1. Players MUST register at the Tournament Office (Located in Club House) at least 45 minutes before their Tee-Time on Day 1.
2. Day 2 & 3 players must report to tee 10 minutes before players official tee time.

#### One Ball Rule

**Local Rule G-4 is in effect.** Players must use the same ball for the round e.g. Srixon Z Star XV. Note white and yellow balls is different.



## Other Info

### Scoring & Results

- Day 1 & 2 scoring after 9 & 18 holes.
- Final Day scoring hole by hole.
- Scoring on [www.igtgolf.org](http://www.igtgolf.org)
- Use Tour Info Centre on home page for more info.

### Stats

Players stats on Tour Info Centre on home page .

### IGTGolf Electronic Card for Amateurs

The IGT card offers you free debit transactions at any shop/store that accepts MasterCard.



For the latest balance enquiries on your card go to [www.whatsonmycard.com](http://www.whatsonmycard.com) or SMS\* your 16-digit card number, without spaces to 34543.

The card cannot be used for cash withdrawals at an ATM.

The maximum an Amateur can win is R6,000

### Press Releases

The tour also has a presence in national print and online media. Press releases per event per day gets published on [www.supersport](http://www.supersport.com) home page and under the section Golf. Press releases are also published on DSTV golf section.

### Social Media

**FACEBOOK:** [www.facebook.com/IGTChallengeTour](https://www.facebook.com/IGTChallengeTour)

**TWITTER:** [//twitter.com/igtgolf](https://twitter.com/igtgolf)

**YOUTUBE:**

[www.youtube.com/igtgolfsa](https://www.youtube.com/igtgolfsa)

### Television

Road To events highlights shown on Supersport Sunshine Tour weekly.

### Player Photos

Players photos get taken each round.

Photos are available to download at; <https://igtgolf.smugmug.com>

### Our Record

1. 206 graduates earn Sunshine Tour Cards since 2011
2. 86 Wins on Sunshine Tour
3. 22 Graduate winners on Sunshine & European Tour
4. Playing our 10th year in 2020
5. Over 350 Events Played
6. Multiple Winners on IGT Tour, Sunshine Tour and European Tour

### Q-School Stats

Year	Sunshine	IGT	IGT
Year	Cards	Players	%
2019	30	30	100%
2018	30	27	90%
2017	30	24	80%
2016	30	27	90%
2015	30	24	80%
2014	30	25	83%
2013	30	23	77%
2012	30	18	60%
2011	30	8	27%

Year	Big Easy	IGT	IGT
Year	Cards	Players	%
2019	60	50	83%
2018	60	48	80%
2017	60	49	82%
2016	60	47	78%
2015	60	47	78%
2014	60	48	80%
2013	60	45	75%
2012	60	40	67%
2011	60	21	35%

Sunshine Rookie	
Year	Player
*2018	Benjamin Follett-Smith
*2017	Neil O'Briain
*2016	Christiaan Bezuidenhout
*2015	Rourke van der Spuy
*2014	Haydn Porteous
*2013	Dylan Frittelli
*2012	Danie van Tonder

\* Played on IGT Tour