



Members General

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Mission Statement and Definitions

Mission Statement

To pursue managerial excellence, operational effectiveness and efficiency necessary to stage world-class professional golf events thereby attracting the best professional tour players and offering exceptional value to sponsors, partners and suppliers to market and promote their products and services. The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour promote, stages and administers professional golf tournaments thereby creating opportunities for aspiring Big Easy IGT Tour members by offering exceptional value to sponsors. We strive to uphold the ethics and traditions of the game and create a platform in Southern Africa for the aspiring role models of tomorrow.

Definitions and Interpretation

“Appeals committee”

means a committee comprising of the Commissioner, Big Easy IGT Tour Manager and Membership Manager in consultation with the Tournament Director or any other such member as the committee deems appropriate;

“Big Easy Tour”

means the secondary tour of the Southern Africa PGA Tour NPC, Registration No 1997/001761/08;

“BET”

means the Big Easy Tour

“Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour”

means the co-sanctioned arrangement between the Big Easy Tour and the IGT Challenge Tour;

“Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit”

means a listing of members in order of priority according to the official points earned in each season by them in Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit tournaments;

“Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit tournaments”

means those Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournaments which are nominated by the directors to carry points that will count towards the Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit;

“Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament”

means a golf tournament included in the secondary tour as sanctioned by the directors of the Southern Africa PGA Tour from time to time;

“Board” or “Directors”

means the board of directors of CLG Golf;

“Code of Conduct”

means the Southern Africa PGA Tour’s Code of Behaviour as set out in part E of these Regulations;

“Co-sanctioned”

means a Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament hosted in conjunction with another recognized body governing either professional or amateur golf;

“Commissioner”

means the appointed Commissioner or any such other person designated by the board to fulfil the role of the Commissioner as envisaged in these Regulations

“Chief Operating Officer”

means the appointed Chief Operating Officer or any such other person designated by the Commissioner to fulfil the role of the Chief Operating Officer as envisaged in these Regulations;

“Disciplinary Committee” or “DC” of the Board”

means a disciplinary committee charged with making a finding and imposing a sanction in respect of alleged disciplinary infringements;

“IGT”

means CLC Golf CC, registration number 2010/129020/23, a close corporation registered in South Africa.

“IGT Tour”

means the mini, developmental tour operated by IGT in South Africa

“Member”

means any player who is granted membership of the Big Easy IGT Tour under any category of member listed under 2.1 of these Regulations;

“Memorandum of Incorporation”

means the Memorandum of Incorporation of the Sunshine Tour, as amended from time to time;

“Player”

means a golf player;

“Prize Money”

means the gross prize money won by a member participating in a Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament. Such money will be expressed in South African Rand;

“Regulations”

means the members general regulations for the 2020 season as set out in this document;

“Season”

means the period running from the first day of March to the last day of March (one calendar year), or such other period as may be determined by the directors of the Southern Africa PGA Tour from time to time;

“Sunshine Tour Qualifying School”

means the tournament(s) which will be held each year in accordance with the regulations made by the Southern Africa PGA Tour at which players may gain the right to become eligible for membership to the Sunshine Tour and the Big Easy IGT Tour. The Qualifying School will hereafter be referred to as the Q School;

“Territory”

means countries in Sub Saharan Africa and the Indian Ocean Islands in which the company from time to time, or in future, stages golf tournaments;

“Tournament Committee”

means a committee comprised of the Commissioner, Membership Manager and Big Easy Tour Manager, in consultation with the Tournament Director or any other such member as the committee deems appropriate;

“Vusi Ngubeni Qualifying School”

means the tournament(s) which will be held each year in accordance with the regulations made by the Southern Africa PGA Tour at which players may gain the right to become eligible for membership to the Sunshine Tour and the Big Easy IGT Tour. The Vusi Ngubeni Qualifying School will hereafter be referred to as the Vusi Ngubeni Q School;

In these Regulations, any reference to the singular includes the plural and vice versa and any reference to natural persons includes juristic persons and vice versa.

A. Commissioner

1. Commissioner

The board has delegated its power to the Commissioner to administer, amend, repeal or alter these Regulations in his absolute discretion and to administer all Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournaments;

The Commissioner shall consult with the manager of the Big Easy Tour to ensure that the affairs of members (both tournament and membership related) are administered in the best interest of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour.

B. Membership Regulations

2. Members

An eligible member of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour 2020/2021 will be regarded as a Full Member for the current Official Season upon receipt of a completed membership application form and membership fee.

All Memberships is processed by IGT.

2.1 Eligibility

- a) The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour events are open to all professional and amateur golfers from South Africa and International.
- b) Amateurs must have an official handicap of 4 or less or index of 2 or less.
- c) Age restriction is 16 years. Players younger than 16 can apply to play on the Tour.
- d) Please note players under 18 years must play as amateur. (No Exceptions)
- e) The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone. Evidence of playing ability may be required.

The players listed in 2.1.1 below are eligible for membership to the 2020 Big Easy IGT Tour, PROVIDED they do not meet any of the following criteria,

- Are ranked within Categories 1 – 9c on the 2020/2021 Sunshine Tour;
- Are members of Tours (or Secondary Tours) who form part of the International Federation of PGA Tours, with the exception of players who are rookies on those Tours,
- Players meeting any of the criteria above will not be eligible for 2020 Big Easy Membership.

2.1.1 Big Easy Member

- a) Top 30 players off the Final 2019 Big Easy Road To Order of Merit who are eligible for membership.
- b) Leading 25 & ties players from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
- c) Leading 15 & ties players from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School.
- d) Players outside Top 100 who have earned money, and played at least 6 tournaments, on the 2019-2020 Sunshine Tour Final OoM.
- e) Players in positions 26 – 60 from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
- f) Players in positions 16 – 42 from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School;

Note 1: Big Easy members have also automatic full membership with IGT.

2.1.2 Big Easy Amateur Member

- a) Amateurs who do not take up their Pro Status. Players in positions 26 – 60 from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
- b) Amateurs who do not take up their Pro Status. Players in positions 16 – 42 from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School.

Note 1: Big Easy Amateur members take up membership with IGT.

Note 2: Big Easy Amateur members do not pay affiliation fees.

2.1.3 IGT Member

- a) The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour events are open to all professional and amateur golfers from South Africa and International.
- b) Amateurs must have an official handicap of 4 or less or index of 2 or less.
- c) There are no restrictions on nationality or gender.
- d) Age restriction is 16 years. Players younger than 16 can apply to play on the Tour.
- e) Please note players under 18 years must play as amateur. (No Exceptions);

The Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour reserves the right to refuse participation to anyone. Evidence of playing ability may be required.

Note 1: IGT Members will receive rankings points in each IGT Chase To event played. These ranking points is used for Big Easy exemption category 16 (refer paragraph 7).

2.1.4 Affiliate Member

Affiliate Membership is open to non-members who are exempt for a Big Easy Road To sanctioned tournaments and are not otherwise eligible for Big Easy Membership.

Note: *The Big Easy IGT Tour reserves the right to, in its sole discretion, reject an Affiliate Membership application without recourse.*

Should a player be eligible for, and take up, Affiliate Membership under this 2.1.3, he will only be eligible to play in Big Easy Road To tournaments through an exemption category (paragraph 7) or Top 10 finish, whichever is relevant.

The affiliated membership is R2000 for the 2020/2021 season.

2.1.5 Temporary Member

Persons other than those eligible for Big Easy, IGT or Affiliate Membership, who are exempt for a IGT Challenge Tour tournament through the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour, are required to take up Temporary Membership for the duration of the tournament in question.

Note 1: Temporary member can only play in maximum 3 events.

2.1.6 Sunshine Tour Member

All Sunshine Tour players who are ranked within Categories 1 – 9c on the 2020/2021 Sunshine Tour will have full IGT Membership for 2020/2021 season.

2.2 Period of Membership

- a) A player eligible for IGT or Affiliated membership will be regarded as a member upon receipt of a completed membership application form and payment.
- b) A player eligible for Big Easy, Temporary or Sunshine Tour membership will be regarded as a member upon receipt of a completed membership application form.
- c) A player who has been granted temporary membership will be deemed to be a temporary member for the entire duration of the Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament in which he participates.
- d) In order to retain membership of the Big Easy IGT Tour for the 2020/21 season, a player must retain eligibility for membership in terms of the criteria set out in these Regulations as it will apply for the next season and any amendment ratified by the board from time to time.

2.3 Termination of Membership

The membership of any Big Easy IGT Tour member shall cease if:

- a) the board in their sole and absolute discretion determine that he is no longer sufficiently competent to participate in golf tournaments in respect of which he, as a member, is entitled to participate; or
- b) a member fails to pay his annual subscription fee, as outlined in par 24 hereof, and remains in default; or
- c) a member is no longer eligible for membership in terms of the criteria set out in these Regulations; or
- d) a member becomes of unsound mind; or
- e) a member resigns; or
- f) a member dies; or
- g) expulsion as a member by the board as a result of a breach of these Regulations or the Code of Behaviour;

C. Administration and Conduct of Tournaments

3. Tournament Administration

- a) The Commissioner shall delegate his power to the Tournament Director who shall administer the tournament in accordance with these Regulations or as supplemented or amended by any subsequent regulation. The Tournament Director, in consultation, if possible, with the Commissioner, may in the interests of the Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament and/or a tournament sponsor waive compliance with any of these Regulations or impose new regulations.
- b) The Tournament Director may refer any matter to the Manager of the Big Easy Tour.
- c) The tournament operations will be managed by the IGT.

NOTE: Unless stated to the contrary under conditions of entry for a tournament, these Regulations shall apply.

4. Tournament Rules of Golf

All competitors should secure a copy of the Big Easy IGT 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:

- a) the Rules of Golf as approved by the R & A Rules Ltd;
- b) the current Big Easy IGT Tour Conditions of Competition and Local Rules;
- c) the Additional Local Rules of the host club as approved by the Tournament Director.

5. Conditions of Entry

5.1 Entry Procedures

Each Player wishing to enter a Big Easy IGT Co-Sanctioned 2020/2021 approved Tournament shall either:

ALL ENTRIES FOR ALL TOURNAMENTS ARE DONE THROUGH IGT.

- a) Enter online via the ‘Members’ at www.igtgolf.org; or
- b) Telephone the Entries Department on 078 3300 440; or
- c) Email the Entries Department on office@igtgolf.org; or
- d) Reply to SMS/Email sent by IGT week prior to event; or
- e) Enter in person at the Big Easy IGT Tour office at events.
- f) Quick Entry on website www.igtgolf.org under Tournaments.

NOTE: A member may permit any person to act on his behalf when entering a tournament provided that the member accepts and acknowledges that failure by such other person to comply with these Regulations is deemed to be non-compliance by the member.

5.2 Confirmation of Entry

Confirmation of entry will be:

- a) an auto generated e-mail containing an entry number sent to a player entering telephonically, by e-mail or in person. The onus is on the member to ensure that he receives this e-mail; or
- b) a copy of the correspondence (fax, mail or e-mail) along with reasonable evidence of it having been forwarded in sufficient time to meet the closing date for entries criteria. Reasonable evidence in the case of:

(i) a fax or e-mail will be a document confirming transmission on which is the time, date and destination fax number or e-mail address;

5.3 Closing Date for Entries

IGT Chase To events close at 5 PM on Friday prior to start of event.

Race to Q-School events close at 5 PM on Friday prior to start of event.

Big Easy Road To events close at 5 PM on Wednesday prior to start of event.

a) Unless stated to the contrary under conditions of entry for a tournament, entries must be received by the Big Easy IGT Tour (either at the Big Easy IGT headquarters or the tournament office) by closing date stated above prior to the advertised commencement date of the main tournament in question.

NB. New tournament winners in any one Official Season will be required to commit to any tournament to which they have now become exempt scheduled in the following week, by 12 noon on the day following their win. For any other tournaments to which they have now become exempt and for which entries have already closed, they will be required to commit by 12 noon on the Thursday following their win.

b) In the event of an Affiliate Member finishing in the top 10, positions in the event immediately preceding the event for which the entries have closed, he will be eligible to participate in the next Order of Merit tournament that he is eligible to enter, even if the entries for this event have close. Players wishing to enter the next event must commit by 12 noon on the day following the conclusion of the tournament in which they finished Top 10

c) The Commissioner shall be entitled to accept or reject a late entry on merit.

5.4 Entry Fee

IGT Chase To events

All Members: R1750

Note 1: Temporary member to pay R250 temporary membership.

Race to Q-School events

All Members: R1750

Note 1: Temporary member to pay R250 temporary membership.

Big Easy Road To events

Big Easy Member: R1000

IGT & Affiliated Members: R1500

Note 1: Temporary member to pay R250 temporary membership.

Note 1: IGT & Affiliated Members to have their points count towards the Big Easy Road To Order of Merit must take up affiliated membership at R2000 for the 2020/2021 season paid to IGT.

Other

a) Players who have been granted Temporary Membership for a tournament week are required to pay the entry fee as outlined above, as well as a Temporary Membership fee of R250 per event they participate in.

b) payable in full prior to the member's commencement of the tournament he has entered

c) if a member commencing his participation in a tournament fails to pay his entry fee on time, he shall be liable for the entry fee and will be served with a fine of R100. The total amount is payable prior to him teeing up in a subsequent round. If there is no 'subsequent round' in the tournament for such a member then he is required to pay the total amount prior to commencing participation in the next Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament he enters, or within 14 days of committing the offence, whichever is the

earlier. A member will be precluded from participating in all subsequent tournaments sanctioned by the Big Easy IGT Tour until such a time as the total amount is settled in full;

d) A member who pays his entry fee by credit card will be deemed to have breached 5.4b hereof if the transmission statement printout, received within a reasonable time prior to or after the advertised commencement date of the tournament in question, states that the member's credit card has 'card declined'. If a member breaches this regulation, he will be subject to a penalty as outlined in these Regulations and in addition the Tournament Director may, in his sole discretion, prohibit that member from making future payments by credit card.

5.5 Player and Member responsibilities

a) The onus is on every member to provide the Big Easy IGT Tour Membership Department with a valid e-mail address. The Big Easy IGT Tour will take no responsibility for a member not receiving communication if that member does not comply with this regulation

b) THE ONUS IS ON THE PLAYER TO MAKE SURE HIS ENTRY HAS BEEN RECEIVED BY THE BIG EASY IGT TOUR BY THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES.

c) IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE MEMBER TO ENSURE THAT ANY CHANGE TO THE MEMBER'S CONTACT DETAILS AND/OR BANKING DETAILS ARE COMMUNICATED TO THE BIG EASY IGT TOUR'S MEMBERSHIP DEPARTMENT.

d) The Big Easy IGT Tour provides a service to members where once the draw has been concluded, each player participating in the Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament, who has an email address recorded on the Big Easy IGT Tour's database, will be sent an Email message giving the player his starting time. This is a service for the players' convenience. PLAYERS RECEIVING AN EMAIL ARE ADVISED TO RECONFIRM THEIR STARTING TIME on the website as the Big Easy IGT Tour will not take responsibility under any circumstances whatsoever for an EMAIL that contains incorrect information or has been incorrectly read or delivered and as such will not absolve the player who arrives late for his time of starting, for example, from having contravened the applicable condition of competition.

6. 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.

Any Temporary Member scoring 86 or more in a tournament may have his Temporary Membership terminated for the remainder of the season.

Any other member scoring a series of high scores may have his membership suspended for 6 months and have to give 6 attested score cards by his local Pro at his golf club to be reinstated.

Any member shooting 90 and over will have his membership terminated for the remainder of the season.

7. Big Easy Road To Exemptions

The categories of persons listed below shall be eligible to enter Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit tournaments, and in the event that the maximum number of places available to players wishing to enter the tournament is exceeded, then priority will be given sequentially from the following categories:-

Category	Description
Category 1	The leading 10 and tied Big Easy IGT Members, who are not otherwise exempt, will qualify to play in the next Big Easy Road To Order of Merit tournament.
Category 2	Winners of 2019/2020 Big Easy IGT sanctioned tournaments.
Category 3	Top 9 players on the final Road to Sunshine Tour 2019
Category 4	Top 6 players on the final Chase to Sunshine Tour 2019
Category 5	Top 30 players off the Final 2019 Big Easy Road To Order of Merit who are eligible for membership.
Category 6	Leading 25 & ties players from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
Category 7	Leading 15 & ties players from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School.
Category 8	Players outside Top 100 who have earned money, and played at least 6 tournaments, on the 2019-2020 Sunshine Tour Final OoM.
Category 9	Players in positions 26 – 60 from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
Category 10	Players in positions 16 – 40 from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School.
Category 11	Amateurs who do not take up their Pro Status. Players in positions 26 – 60 from the 2019/2020 Sunshine Tour Qualifying School.
Category 12	Amateurs who do not take up their Pro Status. Players in positions 16 – 42 from the 2019/2020 Vusi Ngubeni Q School.
Category 13	The leading 10 and tied IGT members, in an IGT Chase To event will qualify to play in the next Big Easy Road To Event.
Category 14	5 International Players invites.
Category 15	5 invites from GolfRSA.
Category 16	5 Invitees.
Category 17	IGT ranked members fill the field up to the maximum advertised field size.

Exceptions to Paragraph 7:

- 1) The exemption criteria for The Big Easy IGT Tour Championship will not be as listed above. The leading 30 available players off the 2020 Big Easy Road To Order of Merit will qualify

Note: IGT members (Category 13-17) wishing their points to count on the Big Easy Road To order of merit, must take up affiliate membership at R2000.

8. Tournament Format, Field Size & Cut

- a) The tournament format and size of the field for each tournament will be decided by the Tournament Director. The field size will generally be limited to 140 players.
- b) The IGT Chase To Order of Merit tournaments will be played over 54 holes of stroke play with a cut of 40 and ties after 36 holes.
- c) The Race to Q-School Order of Merit tournaments will be played over 54 holes of stroke play with a cut of 50 and ties after 36 holes.
- d) The Big Easy Road To Order of Merit tournaments will be played over 54 holes of stroke play with a cut of 30 and ties after 36 holes.

9. Qualifying

Should a qualifying round be played, it is considered an integral part of a tournament. The following regulations will apply in addition to the normal regulations applicable to a tournament:

- a) The venue for the qualifying round will be advertised in good time;
- b) For procedures on withdrawing from a qualifying round, see 10 hereof;
- c) In the event of the entire field not having played the full 18 holes due to inclement weather, bad light, or for whatsoever reason, the Tournament Director could either declare a result, or fill the required number of spots to make up the full complement of the main tournament field by taking the leading available members from the latest 2020 exemption category list;
- d) All members failing to qualify as a result of the procedure outlined in 9 hereof will be refunded their entry fee for the tournament in question.
- e) The number of alternates will be determined by the Tournament Director prior to the conclusion of the qualifying round, whilst the ranking of alternates will be determined by the Tournament Director on conclusion of the qualifying round. In general, the ranking of alternates will be determined by finishing positions or through a sudden death play-off involving players on the same qualifying round score;

10. Withdrawal Procedure

- a) A member may only withdraw from a tournament as follows: -
 - (i) In writing by email to office@igtgolf.org ; or
 - (ii) Telephonically by calling the Big Easy IGT Tour tournament office during office hours; or
 - (iii) In person, by the member himself or a person appointed by him to act on his behalf;The Big Easy IGT Tour must be advised of the member's intention to withdraw by no later than 5PM on the Friday preceding the tournament. Should a player be participating in a tournament round on the Friday in question, then the withdrawal deadline will be extended to 6pm on the Friday preceding the tournament for him.

NOTE 1: Any notification of withdrawal received after the required deadline, and prior to the commencement of the tournament's first round will result in the member being fined R500, doubling up for subsequent offences. Should he also fail to notify the Big Easy IGT Tour of his intention to withdraw before the commencement first round of the tournament, it shall be considered a breach of the Code of Behaviour. Penalty for such a breach is R1000.

Should a player withdraw late from a tournament due to a medical reason, he is required to provide a medical certificate within 7 days of his withdrawal. Failure to do so will result in him being fined R500.

NOTE 2: In the event of a player qualifying for a Sunshine Tour tournament through its qualifying round, and ALSO being entered for a Big Easy IGT Tour event following the same qualifying round, he will automatically be withdrawn from the Big Easy IGT Tour event.

- b) The regulations as outlined in 5.2b shall apply in cases where there is a dispute as to the time written notification was dispatched to the Big Easy IGT Tour or as to the time the written notification was received by the Big Easy IGT Tour or both.
- c) When giving the Big Easy IGT Tour notice of withdrawal, a member is to obtain an official withdrawal number as proof. No consideration will be given by the Tournament Director to any dispute arising from such a withdrawal unless the withdrawal number is provided by the member as proof of withdrawal.
- d) A player is not entitled to withdraw during a round or after the conclusion of the first round of a tournament except in the case of a medical or personal emergency. Consent to withdraw after a round or terminate a round prior to its conclusion must first be obtained from the Tournament Director. In the case of a medical emergency the member is obliged to submit to the Big Easy IGT Tour a medical certificate within 7 days of the incident having taken place, or before the commencement of the next scheduled Big Easy IGT Tour event, whichever is the earlier. Failure to do so will be considered a breach of the Code of Behaviour. Penalty for such breach is R500.

11. Tournament Registration

- a) A player having entered a tournament is obliged to register by no later than 9 AM on the day preceding the first round of the tournament.
- b) Registration can be done in person, or by a person designated by the player to act on his behalf,
 - by telephone to 0783300440 or WhatsApp or SMS; or

- Reply to registration email send on Saturday prior to event start; or
 - Reply to registration SMS send on Saturday prior to event start
- c) A player who fails to meet the 9 AM deadline shall be removed from the draw and shall be liable for his entry fee. In addition, should the player also be in breach of the Withdrawal Procedure, he will be subjected to the same penalties as outlined in 9 hereof.

NOTE: The Tournament Director has the right to extend the registration deadline.

12. Ties

- a) In the event of a tie for first place in a tournament, a sudden-death playoff between all the players with the same leading score shall follow. The holes making up the playoff will be decided by the Tournament Director.
- b) In the event of deteriorating light, or inclement weather, the Tournament Director will determine the manner in which a tournament winner will be decided.
- c) In all cases a tournament winner must be established before announcing the tournament results.

13. Sunshine Tour Cards, Order of Merits & Incentives

Sunshine Tour Cards (15)

- 1) Road to Sunshine Tour (15 events + Tour Champs) Top 6 on Order of Merit after Tour Champs earns Sunshine Tour Card. Minimum 5 events to qualify.
- 2) Transformation Road to Sunshine Tour (15 events) Top 3 on Final Order of Merit earns Sunshine Tour Card. Minimum 5 events to qualify.
- 3) Chase to Sunshine Tour (18 events) Top 3 on Final Order of Merit earns Sunshine Tour Card. Minimum 7 events to qualify.
- 4) Transformation Chase to Sunshine Tour (18 events) Top 3 on Final Order of Merit earns Sunshine Tour Card. Minimum 7 events to qualify.

Notes:

- The above Order of Merits is point based.
- The above Sunshine Tour Cards is for the 2021/22 Season.
- Only players who makes the cut receive Order of Merit Points.
- Players who are not otherwise exempt will earn their Sunshine Tour card.

Order of Merits

- a) Big Easy Road To Order of Merit;
 - Top 6 earns Sunshine Tour cards for 2021/22 season.
 - Top 30 qualify to play in Tour Champs 2020.
 - Players in positions 1 – 30 earns Big Easy cards for 2021 season.
 - Players in positions 7 – 30 promotions to Sunshine Tour Q-School final stage 2021.
- b) IGT Chase To Order of Merit:
 - Top 3 earns Sunshine Tour cards for 2021/22 season.
 - Players in positions 1 – 10 earns Big Easy cards for 2021 season.
- c) Big Easy Transformation Road To Order of Merit;
 - Top 3 earns Sunshine Tour cards for 2021/22 season.
 - Players in positions 1 – 10 earns Big Easy cards for 2021 season.
- d) IGT Transformation Chase To Order of Merit;
 - Top 3 earns Sunshine Tour cards for 2021/22 season.
 - Players in positions 1 – 10 earns Big Easy cards for 2021 season.
- e) Race to Q-School Order of Merit; (6 events) Top 15 promotion to Sunshine Tour Q-School final stage 2021.
- f) Transformation Race to Q-School Order of Merit; (6 events) Top 11 promotion to Vusi Q-School final stage 2021.
- g) IGT Rankings Order of Merit;

Player Incentives

Players receive points for their finishing position at each Chase To Event for the IGT Rankings Order of Merit 2020. The Rankings get updated after each Chase To event.

IGT Members to qualify for Big Easy Road To events through their rankings.

The leading 10 and tied IGT members in IGT Chase To event, will qualify to play in the next Big Easy Road To Event.

IGT ranked members fill the field up to the maximum advertised size for Big Easy Road To events.

- a) A Big Easy, IGT or Affiliate member, who participates in an Order of Merit tournament and earn points will be listed on the current 2020 Order of Merit on conclusion of that tournament;
- b) Only those Order of Merit tournaments the player participated in whilst he was a member shall be taken into account in determining the number of Order of Merit tournaments a player has participated in within a season;
- c) The final 2020 Order of Merits will be comprised of a ranking of points earned by members of the Big Easy IGT Tour.
- d) Should a member have earned points but failed to participate in the required minimum number of tournaments, then he will be listed but not ranked on the Final 2020 Order of Merit.

14. Play Foreshortened or Cancelled – Guidelines

If, in the judgement of the Tournament Director, adverse weather conditions or any other occurrence beyond the control of the Big Easy IGT Tour render the commencement or continuation of the tournament impracticable, play shall be postponed until such time as the Tournament Director, after consultation with the sponsor of the tournament, considers that play can be continued. The Tournament Director has absolute discretion to implement whatever procedures necessary in order to ensure the continuation and completion of the tournament.

Where possible the following guidelines will be considered:

a) Round 1

As a general principle, once a stroke has been played it shall count;

b) Final Round

(i) If the round cannot be finished then a result will be declared over that number of round completed by all players;

(ii) Play may be continued on a fourth day at the discretion of the Tournament Director

c) Suspension of Play

(i) If during a tournament it becomes necessary to suspend play, three consecutive notes of a siren and/or air horns will be sounded and repeated or notification will otherwise be communicated to the players. On being advised of suspension, competitors may either cease play immediately OR complete the hole they are playing. Competitors must not play any shot from the teeing ground unless a player in his group has commenced play on the hole.

(ii) If during play it becomes necessary to suspend for a dangerous situation (e.g. lightning), players must discontinue play immediately. Suspension for a dangerous situation will be signaled by a prolonged sounding of a siren and/or air horn

d) Resumption of Play

As soon as conditions allow for play to be resumed, two short notes, repeated, will be sounded by a siren and/or air horns, or notification will otherwise be communicated to players. On being advised of resumption, play will be resumed immediately by all competitors on the course.

e) Prize money

In the event of the curtailment or cancellation of a tournament, prize money distribution shall be at the sole discretion of the Big Easy IGT Tour.

15. Caddies

a) A caddie is the responsibility of the member by whom he or she is employed.

b) A person who acts as a caddie for a member will be subject to the regulations applicable to caddies for the duration of that tournament.

c) All payments due to a member's caddie are the sole responsibility of the member. Such payments are to be made in an agreed manner between the member and the caddie. All disputes arising out of such

agreements are to be resolved by the member prior to the conclusion of the tournament. It is recommended that members enter into a written contract with the caddie he employs. Examples of contracts to this effect are available from the Big Easy IGT Tour Tournament office.

d) Caddies are:

- (i) Obligated to behave in what is considered acceptable and normal social behaviour;
- (ii) Obligated to wear bibs or similar promotional clothing provided by the tournament sponsor for the duration of the round should this be required;
- (iii) Not permitted to wear any advertising on his person or golf bag or related equipment which may embarrass the tournament or tournament sponsor. If in any doubt, the Tournament Director should be consulted prior to either the commencement of the round or the tournament;
- (iv) Not permitted to wear (metal or soft) spiked shoes on the golf course;
- (v) Not allowed to attend a pro-am prize giving function or sponsor hospitality area unless invited by the primary sponsor;
- (vi) Not permitted to test the surface of the putting greens on the golf course other than in practice rounds;
- (vii) Not permitted to play golf at a tournament venue during a tournament.

e) A member of the Big Easy IGT Tour may:

- (i) Carry his golf bag or use a golf bag cart (no motorized) while playing in any tournament round.
- (ii) No active member of the Sunshine Tour, Big Easy IGT Tour, or any other player who has received an invite to play in a Sunshine Tour or Big Easy IGT Tour tournament in 2020 may act as a caddie for any player in a Big Easy Road to event. An active member is defined as any Sunshine Tour, Big Easy IGT Tour or member who has participated in one or more Sunshine Tour or Big Easy IGT Tour tournament in 2020.

f) Caddies may not enter the clubhouse. Caddies must use designated areas at the venue.

g) Any breach by a caddie of the Regulations will be deemed to be a breach by the member employing the caddie, and such a member will be fined accordingly.

16. Pro-Am Field

The field for a pre-tournament pro-am will be determined in accordance with the following criteria: -

- (i) Sponsor's invitations agreed between the Tournament Director and the tournament sponsor;
- (ii) The balance of the field will be made up of players off the 2020 Big Easy IGT Tour exemption category ranking list.

17. Prize Giving

a) All members should be aware of their responsibility to promote the game of golf and the good name of the Big Easy IGT Tour. It is therefore expected of each member to make every effort to attend any tournament function hosted by a tournament organiser and/or related sponsor in an effort to maintain the goodwill that exists between the Big Easy IGT Tour and tournament sponsors.

b) It is compulsory for the winner of a tournament to attend the tournament prize-giving and spend a reasonable period of time in the presence of the tournament sponsors on conclusion of the tournament.

18. Dress Code

Players are allowed to wear short pants in Round 1 and 2 ONLY for all events on Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour.

ALL PLAYER MUST WEAR LONG PANTS ON FINAL DAY FOR ALL EVENTS.

a) Members are at all times subject to the dress code, as herein outlined, at a tournament venue at which a Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament is being hosted.

b) Members shall be neat in appearance, in both clothing and personal grooming, at all times.

- c) Players choosing to wear turtle neck golf shirts, are advised to consult the Tournament Director as to whether the length of the collar is acceptable.
- d) Players are required to dress according to the club's dress code regulations. No T-Shirts may be worn. Players are required to be smartly attired at all times.
- e) No member or player shall wear any advertising on his golf bag, clothing or related equipment in a manner or style which may, as determined by the Tournament Director, embarrass the Big Easy IGT Tour, the tournament or Tour sponsor. If in any doubt, consult the Tournament Director prior to either the commencement of the round or the tournament and the Tournament Director's decision shall be final and binding on the member or player.
- f) The wearing of any advertising by a member or player on his golf bag, clothing or related apparel or equipment must be done in a tasteful and acceptable manner. The degree of tastefulness and acceptability will be determined by the Tournament Director in his sole discretion and the Tournament Director's decision shall be final and binding on the member or player.
- g) The Big Easy IGT Tour has entered into various agreements with tournament sponsors. It is the participation of these tournament sponsors which assists in making the Big Easy IGT Tour possible, financially viable and successful. In order to encourage the participation of tournament sponsors, and in order to protect the rights which tournament sponsors enjoy in their tournaments, no member or player shall enter into any sponsorship arrangement with a party in terms whereof the member or player shall, on a once-off basis and at a specific tournament (or for an otherwise unusually short-term period including a specific tournament), wear any advertising of that party on his golf bag, clothing or related equipment where that party is a competitor of that specific tournament's sponsor. If in any doubt, the member or player should consult the Big Easy IGT Tour prior to either the commencement of the round or the tournament, and the Big Easy IGT Tour's decision shall be final and binding on the member or player. The provisions of this regulation are not intended to, nor shall they, preclude any member or player from entering into sponsorship arrangements with any party (including competitors of tournament sponsors) provided that such sponsorship arrangements are bona fide and are not entered into, in the reasonable discretion of the Big Easy IGT Tour, for "ambush marketing" purposes (in this regulation, "ambush marketing" means an attempt by a party which is not a tournament sponsor to either create the impression of being an official tournament sponsor or to gain exposure for its brand in competition with the tournament sponsor or to generally ambush the marketing and sponsorship rights of the tournament sponsor).

19. Accommodation

- a) The onus is on the member to source and book his own accommodation and to make his own travel arrangements.
- b) A member who fails to pay his hotel bill in full prior to his departure from the hotel, shall be deemed to have committed a serious breach of the Code of Behaviour.

20. Etiquette

- a) The regulations of the host club must be respected and obeyed at all times.
- b) A player is responsible for ensuring that a bunker is properly raked on conclusion of his shot. Should a member be found to be in breach of this regulation he will be fined R500.
- c) A player moving an advertising board, in terms of the Big Easy IGT Tour's Local Rules, and failing to return it securely and neatly to its original position will be held in breach of this regulation and will be fined R1000.

21. Prize Money

- a) The Big Easy IGT Tour will not deduct a levy from payments made to players winning prize money or playing fees relating to a tournament sanctioned by the Big Easy IGT Tour, except where an event prize money is sponsored.

- b) All prize money payments will be concluded once the prize money for the tournament in question has been paid over by the tournament sponsor or promoter to the Big Easy IGT Tour. In general prize money payments are made no later than the first Wednesday following the tournament, or at the earliest opportunity thereafter.
- c) Big Easy Road To Prize money paid out will be as per the breakdown listed in part I of these Regulations or as otherwise published on the tournament notice board.
- d) IGT Chase To and Race to Q-School Prize money paid out is based on the number of entries and will be published on the tournament notice board.
- e) In the event of the prize money total not being listed in part I of these Regulations, the breakdown will then be calculated by applying the percentage breakdown to the applicable prize money. The prize money breakdown will be published before the commencement of the first round of the Big Easy Road to tournament and before the second round of all other events.
- f) In the event of a tournament being curtailed, the percentage of prize money to be distributed shall be determined by the Commissioner or the Tournament Director, in consultation with the tournament sponsor.
- g) In the event of a tournament taking place outside the borders of South Africa, it is possible the prize money will be subject to a withholding tax at a fixed rate. This rate will be available once it has been ascertained.
- h) The prize money will be banked directly into members' South African bank accounts after the tournament where a member has provided the Big Easy IGT Tour with the required details in this regard.
- i) Amateurs will receive their winnings on their IGT Electronic card.
- j) International players can receive an IGT Electronic card for their winnings should they so request.
- j) All international players will have a 15% PAYE to be paid over to SARS.
- k) Prize money won at an event that is not claimed within three years from the date of that event, will be forfeited.

NOTE: Prize money won is normally paid directly into a player's bank account after the event; however, there are exceptional circumstances where a player provides us with incomplete contact information and/or banking details. It must be noted the Big Easy IGT Tour will make every effort to make contact with the player.

22. Pace of Play

A player or member who receives a total of three bad times under Big Easy IGT 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.

23. Official Score Recorders

Players and members must co-operate when asked for details of their scores by the official score recorders on the course. This includes IGT Staff, the Nomads and spotters and any other person appointed to record scores. Failure to provide satisfactorily the required detail on request will be considered a breach of this regulation and as such the player could be served with a fine.

24. Conflicting Tournaments

Sunshine Tour regulation reads:

“In the event of Sunshine Tour tournaments conflicting with Big Easy Road To tournaments, players who are members of both Tours may choose which tournament they would like to play in. Should they be entered for both tournaments, they are required to withdraw from the tournament they are not going to play by the withdrawal deadlines as per the Sunshine Tour regulations”. We would appreciate players withdrawing from the relevant tournament as soon as they have made a decision, so that other players can make travel arrangements

The withdrawal deadlines are as follows:

The Tour must be advised of the member's intention to withdraw by no later than 10am on the Friday preceding the tournament. Should a player be participating in a tournament round on the Friday in question, then the withdrawal deadline will be extended to 6pm on the Friday preceding the tournament for him. This includes players who wish to withdraw from the tournament's qualifying round but remain on the reserve list.

For tournaments where no qualifying rounds are played, a player who becomes exempt after 6pm on a Friday will only forfeit his entry fee and shall not be fined, should he subsequently withdraw. A player who becomes exempt after 10am on the Monday of a tournament will not be fined or forfeit his entry fee should he withdraw

Exception: For the Mauritius Open, Zimbabwe Open, KCB Karen Masters and Zambia Opens, an exempt player has until 2pm on the Thursday prior to the commencement of the tournament to withdraw without receiving a fine.

a) The Big Easy IGT Tour recognises the individual rights of all members of the Big Easy IGT Tour operating as independent contractors. The Big Easy IGT Tour therefore warrants to all members that at no time does it hold out to tournament sponsors and/or promoters the guaranteed appearance or entry of any individual member.

b) Notwithstanding the above statement of fact, the Big Easy IGT Tour requires all members, to submit themselves to this Conflicting Tournaments regulation to ensure the Big Easy IGT Tour may remain in a position to fulfil, at all times, its collective obligations in respect of representative fields.

c) Members of the Big Easy IGT Tour shall not compete in any tournament or exhibition match, whether private or public, scheduled against a Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament, within the territory, without the prior written permission of either the Tour Commissioner or Tournament Director of Big Easy IGT Tour.

d) The member must send a written request for release to the Tour Commissioner or Tournament Director of the Big Easy IGT Tour for the particular Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit tournament conflicting with the tournament he wishes to participate in. Members will remain entered for a Big Easy IGT Tour Order of Merit tournament until they officially withdraw.

e) IGT Tour members, who are also Sunshine Tour members, may not participate in IGT Chase To tournament if they are exempt for a Sunshine Tour tournament scheduled against IGT Chase To tournament

f) The penalty for breach of this par 24 is a minimum fine of R1,000 leading to possible suspension for subsequent offences.

25. Payment of Subscriptions

a) Invoices will be made out to IGT Tour members, who are not a Big Easy Member or members of the 2020 Sunshine Tour on receipt of an Application for Membership Form or tournament entries.

b) Payment is due within 30 days of the date of invoice or prior to the member commencing his participation in a Big Easy IGT Tour tournament, whichever is the former. Failure to pay the subscription in full will render that member ineligible to participate in the tournament.

c) Should a member fail to pay his subscription within the time period stipulated in 25b hereof, he renders himself ineligible to participate in a Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournament until such time as he has paid his subscription in full.

26. Media and Public Relations

a) The favourable public reputations of the Big Easy IGT Tour and its tournaments are valuable assets and create tangible benefits for all Big Easy IGT Tour members. Accordingly, it is an obligation of membership for each member to refrain from making any statement or comment in any language, which is or may

become public, whether via television, radio, newspaper, magazine, periodical, book, the internet (including social networking websites such as Twitter and Facebook) or any other medium or means which the member knows, or ought reasonably to know, will or is likely to:

- (i) constitute an attack on, disparage, harm or be otherwise prejudicial to the reputation or interests of any tournament sponsor, promoter, fellow competitor, the Big Easy IGT Tour (or any division of it), or any of its officials or the game of golf in general;
- (ii) be an unapproved disclosure of any confidential information of any tournament sponsor, promoter, fellow competitor, the Big Easy IGT Tour (or any division of it), or any of its officials; or
- (iii) prejudice or implicate any fellow competitor in disciplinary or legal proceedings.

For the avoidance of doubt, responsible expressions of legitimate disagreement with Big Easy IGT Tour policies are not prohibited. Any contravention of this Regulation shall be a breach of the Code of Behaviour

b) To ensure maximum goodwill, it is essential that competitors make every effort to support all public relations and media activities which, among other things, include compliance with reasonable requests from the tournament Press Officer to attend a Press/Media Centre interview and to co-operate with the media immediately following the completion of a tournament round.

D. Marketing and Media Rights

27. Film, Media and other Property Rights

a) Television, radio, film and all other electronic media rights include the right to broadcast, display, publish or otherwise exhibit (in any manner howsoever) in all and any forms of media (including, but not limited to, television, radio, motion picture, print, video, CD, DVD, interactive media of any kind, multi-media, internet, website, mobile telephony and communication and other similar opportunities) the proceedings, or any part thereof, at all Big Easy IGT Tour sanctioned tournaments or any other golfing related event conducted in conjunction with, or sanctioned by the Big Easy IGT Tour;

b) All rights referred to in 26.1a, all photographic rights and all rights in all statistical and scoring data and information shall be granted and assigned to the Big Easy IGT Tour, which accepts such grant and assignment. For the avoidance of doubt, it is a condition of membership that all members grant and assign such rights to the Big Easy IGT Tour and each member will be deemed to have done so on taking up membership. As a result of the grant and the assignment, all such rights shall be the property of and expressly reserved by and to the Big Easy IGT Tour, and any use thereof without the express written consent of the Big Easy IGT Tour shall be prohibited;

28. Marketing Rights

a) Subject to the assignment of the rights as contemplated in 27.1b, nothing in these Regulations or in any marketing related policies adopted by the Big Easy IGT Tour from time to time shall be deemed to restrict any member's individual marketing rights in relation to, inter alia, promotions, endorsements and licensing.

b) No person is authorised to make any use, commercial or otherwise, of the Big Easy IGT Tour name and/or any of its marks and/or logos without the prior written approval of the Commissioner.

E. Code of Conduct

29. Code of Conduct for Tournament Play

The complete Code of Behaviour of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour as incorporated in its Members General Regulations is the basis of this Code of Conduct, which outlines the relevant codes applicable to tournament play and the penalty structure for breaches of such codes.

A. Code of Conduct:

- i. Best Effort – Failure to compete professionally in a manner that either creates negative exposure for the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour or upsets fellow competitors, or in an attempt to contrive a result for ulterior motive
- ii. Misconduct – Club throwing, Club abuse, use of audible obscenities, incidents resulting from drunken or otherwise provoked socially unacceptable behaviour by a competitor or his caddie, dangerous play leading to or which could have led to serious third-party injury
- iii. Injurious Conduct – actions or comments that may harm or discredit officials, fellow competitors, sponsors, promoters, volunteers, third party contractors or the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour
- iv. Failure to report a Breach of the Code by a fellow competitor or to properly assist in an enquiry regarding such a breach
- v. Alcohol Consumption – The consumption of alcohol on the course during a round of a Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour sanctioned tournament is an offence, including during a suspension of play if the competitor's round is not yet complete
- vi. Significantly careless infringements of the Rules of Golf or deliberate breaches of the Rules of Golf in order to gain an advantage

B. Disciplinary procedures for breaches of the above code:

- i. The above code is for guidance and illustrative purposes only and shall not prejudice the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour's discretion to determine the seriousness of a breach, on a case by case basis, in accordance with the relevant facts and evidence obtained
- ii. For purposes of applying a penalty for a breach of the code during play of tournament, an Official of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour or the Tournament Director or the Tournament Committee, may issue such penalty immediately
- iii. First breach of the code – verbal warning
- iv. Second breach – one stroke penalty
- v. Third breach – general penalty
- vi. Fourth breach or any serious misconduct – disqualification

C. Appeal against a penalty imposed:

- i. If a competitor is dissatisfied with the imposition of any penalty for breaches of the code, he must appeal to the Tournament Director immediately after play, before he signs and returns his score card
- ii. The decision of the Tournament Director shall be final and binding
- iii. No appeal against penalty strokes or disqualification will be considered once the final result of the tournament has been declared and posted on the notice board.

F. Disciplinary Procedures

Where it appears that a member of the Tour may have committed a breach of the code and that such breach may warrant the imposition of a sanction on the member, then the Commissioner of the Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour shall cause a preliminary investigation to be carried out.

Following the preliminary investigation and evidence gathering, the Tournament Director or such other person nominated by the Commissioner shall determine whether the alleged breach of the Code shall be deemed a minor breach or a serious breach.

The following is a non-exhaustive, illustrative list of what might be considered to be a minor breach or serious breach (as applicable) of the Code:

i. Minor Breach

Best efforts:

- failure to compete professionally (with no evidence of ulterior motive) in a manner that either creates negative exposure for the Big Easy IGT Tour or upsets fellow competitors

Etiquette:

- non-raking of bunker, dropping litter on the course, lack of verbal warning if hitting a ball close to spectators.

Misbehaviour:

- club abuse, use of audible obscenities, minor incidents resulting from drunken or otherwise provoked socially unacceptable behaviour by a member or his caddie.

Injurious conduct:

- actions or comments that may harm or discredit, officials, fellow members, sponsors, promoters, volunteers, third party contractors or the Big Easy IGT Tour but which does not and is deemed unlikely to create significant negative media or long-term damage to any of the aforementioned persons.

Failure to report a breach of the Code:

- a failure to report a breach of the Code by a fellow member or to properly assist in an enquiry regarding such a breach.

Rules of Golf:

- an accidental breach of the Rules of Golf which is deemed to be a significantly careless infringement of the Rules of Golf and where it is considered that disqualification from the tournament at which such breach has taken place is not a sufficient sanction on the member.

ii. Serious Breach

Best efforts:

- failure to give best efforts in an attempt to contrive a result for personal or associates financial or other gain.

Etiquette:

- dangerous play leading to, or which could have led to, serious third party injury.

Crime:

1. any conviction of a criminal offence

Injurious conduct:

- actions or comments that may harm or discredit officials, fellow members, sponsors, promoters, volunteers, third party contractors or the Big Easy IGT Tour and that does cause or is deemed likely to cause significant negative media or long-term damage to any of the aforementioned persons.

Rules of Golf:

- a breach of the Rules of Golf which is deemed to be more than a significantly careless infringement of the Rules of Golf.

The above list is for guidance and illustrative purposes only and shall not prejudice the Big Easy IGT Tour's discretion to determine the seriousness of a breach, on a case by case basis, in accordance with the relevant facts and evidence obtained. In addition, where the same minor breach or a similar minor breach is repeated by a member, or where the Big Easy IGT Tour deems that a member is persistently committing minor breaches, the Big Easy IGT Tour may determine that a breach, which might otherwise be considered a minor breach, shall be considered a serious breach by the relevant member and in such circumstances the

member shall be subject to the provisions of this Disciplinary Procedure relating to a serious breach of the Code.

In the event that any evidence (such as video footage or testimony from officials, Players or spectators at the relevant Tournament) is discovered by, or brought to the attention of, the Big Easy IGT Tour subsequent to the initial investigation and/or the decision as to whether an alleged breach is to be considered as a minor breach or a serious breach for the purposes of this Disciplinary Procedure, then the Big Easy IGT Tour shall be entitled to re-categorise the breach as it considers appropriate taking into account such evidence and, if appropriate, the minor breach procedure or serious breach procedure (as is then applicable) shall be applied.

NOTE: No report of a breach of regulations will be considered by the Big Easy IGT Tour unless it is submitted, in writing, by the complainant. Complaints should be submitted to the Tour as soon as reasonably possible.

30. Minor Breach

a) If in the course of a preliminary investigation it is evident that a member has committed a minor breach of the Code of Behaviour, the Tournament Director, Commissioner or anyone else designated by the Commissioner may impose a penalty on a member of not less than R500 and not greater than R3 000. On receiving written notification of such a fine, the player is responsible for advising the Big Easy IGT Tour's membership department of how he wishes to pay the amount. If the player has not appealed against the imposition of, or the amount of, the fine and no payment has been received within 14 days of the date on the fine letter then the fine will be automatically deducted from the player's nominated credit card. Should the Big Easy IGT Tour not have the player's credit card details on record, his entries for upcoming tournaments will be withdrawn and he shall not be eligible to enter any Big Easy IGT Tour tournaments until such a time as his fine has been paid in full

b) Right of Appeal in Case of a Minor Breach

If a member is dissatisfied with the decision of, or the fine imposed by the Tournament Director, Commissioner or anyone else designated by the Commissioner the member may within 7 days of receipt of the notice, give written notification to the Appeals Committee, to appeal against such decision. In the event of the Commissioner being unavailable, he can delegate authority to any such person whom he deems appropriate. The written request shall state any one or more of the following grounds on which the member can base his appeal and further give detailed particulars as to any such ground/s:

(i) on a matter of fact; and/or

(ii) on a question of the application or interpretation of these Regulations, including the Code of Behaviour as applicable to the offence, sanction or proceedings; and/or

(iii) against the severity of the punishment requesting a reduction in the fine.

The Appeals Committee shall consider the reasons given for imposing the fine as well as the written request for permission to appeal against the decision and shall thereafter, in its sole discretion, either:

- take action as it sees fit with respect to the appeal;
- grant the member the right to appeal. Any such appeal will be heard before the Appeals Committee. In the event of a right of appeal being granted, the enforcement of the fine imposed by the Tournament Director, Commissioner or anyone else designated by the Commissioner shall be stayed until the appeal has been heard; or
- not grant the member the right to appeal in which instance the decision of the Tournament Director, Commissioner or anyone else designated by the Commissioner will be final and binding on the member. Should the Appeals Committee not grant the member the right to appeal it shall in writing give reasons to the member for such decision.

If it is common cause that a minor breach has occurred, then the Appeals Committee shall only grant the member a right of appeal where, in its sole discretion, exceptional circumstances exist.

Repeated minor breaches by the member of the Code of Behaviour will result in the offence becoming a serious breach.

c) Procedure at Appeal hearing before the Appeals Committee

An appeal hearing before the Appeals Committee is an informal internal enquiry and there shall be no fixed rules of procedure. Neither the Tour nor the member shall be entitled to legal representation. The purpose

of the hearing shall be to dispose of the matter as speedily and as informally as possible consistent with a fair hearing and the rules of natural justice. The decision of the Appeals Committee shall be final and binding on the member

The member shall have the right to appear in person and put forward his own explanation of the events surrounding the alleged breach. The member will be entitled to present his own case in an appropriate manner. The members of the Appeals Committee may question the member as to his explanation of the events surrounding the alleged breach of the Code. Witnesses will not normally be called, but if the member feels that he cannot do justice to his case unless a particular witness or witnesses are present, he shall give written notice to the Big Easy IGT Tour to that effect not later than 7 days prior to the date of the hearing. If the Big Easy IGT Tour agrees to such request the member shall be responsible for procuring the attendance of such witness or witnesses to give evidence before the Appeals Committee in the presence of the member at the hearing. At the hearing the member will be given the opportunity to question any of the witness's present. The witnesses shall also be subject to questioning by the members of the Appeals Committee. If the member is not present, the Appeals Committee may continue with the hearing in the member's absence and any decision that is taken in his absence will be final and binding.

The Appeals Committee must elect a chairman prior to the Appeal Hearing commencing. The Appeals Committee may adjourn the hearing to another date to bring witnesses before the hearing;

The Appeals Committee may give its decision at the conclusion of the hearing or subsequently as it may think fit. In either case the decision will be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably practicable.

Should the Commissioner (or such other person as may be nominated by the Commissioner) be present at the hearing, his role shall be an administrative role, advising the Appeals Committee on procedure and other matters, but he shall not take part in the decision making of the Appeals Committee. The Appeals Committee shall at any time be entitled to request that the Disciplinary Committee (as constituted in accordance with paragraph 30a below) consider the appeal if the Appeals Committee decides that the case is too serious or otherwise should not fall within its jurisdiction.

Subject to the provisions of paragraph 3 of below, any costs incurred by the member in relation to preparing for and attending an Appeal Hearing, as well as any costs arising in the attendance of any witnesses requested by the member at such a hearing, shall be borne by the member unless otherwise agreed in writing in advance by the Big Easy IGT Tour.

NOTE: A member shall be entitled to appeal only once per allegation, against a fine or penalty imposed upon him.

31. Serious Breach

If at the conclusion of an investigation into an alleged breach of the Code by a member it is evident that a serious breach of the Code may have occurred then a disciplinary hearing shall take place before the Disciplinary Committee.

a) Composition of the Disciplinary Committee

The Disciplinary Committee (hereafter referred to as the DC) shall comprise of the Big Easy Manager and at least 1 but not more than 2 IGT employees. The DC must elect a chairman prior to the hearing commencing. No person who was involved in the events relating to, or the investigation of, the alleged breach or who has a clear vested interest in the outcome of the disciplinary hearing, or who has made strong statements either way on a directly relevant matter, should sit on the Disciplinary Committee.

b) Procedure at Hearing Before a Disciplinary Committee

If it is evident that a serious breach of the Code of Behaviour may have occurred, then the Commissioner (or such other person as may be nominated by the Commissioner) shall prepare a report relating to the case and shall send the following to the member and the Disciplinary Committee no later than 21 days prior to the Disciplinary Hearing:

- (i) notification of the date, time and location of the disciplinary hearing,
- (ii) details of the nature of the alleged breach of the Code; and;
- (iii) copies of the report and any accompanying evidence (including but not limited to written statements and relevant video footage).

Neither the Tour nor the member will be entitled to legal representation. The Tour may put forward the allegations against the member, call witnesses and/or present such evidence as may be required. The

member shall have the right to appear in person and put forward his own explanation of the alleged breach. If the member is not present, the DC may continue with the hearing in his absence and any decision that is taken in his absence will be final and binding.

The member shall then present the evidence which supports his version of events and any mitigating circumstances which he would like the DC to take into consideration. All relevant evidence (including, without limitation, audio-visual footage) shall be admissible. The member shall be entitled to request in writing that a reasonable number of witnesses attend the hearing provided he serves notice to the DC to that effect not later than 14 days prior to the date of the disciplinary hearing. The member shall be responsible for procuring the attendance of such witnesses to give evidence before the DC, in the presence of the member, at the disciplinary hearing.

At the disciplinary hearing the member will be given the opportunity to question any of the witnesses. The witnesses shall also be subject to questioning by the DC. The DC may after hearing all the evidence either give its decision at the conclusion of the hearing or at such time following the hearing as it considers appropriate.

In either case its decision shall be conveyed to the member in writing as soon as reasonably practicable. The DC shall decide the outcome of the case by majority decision

NOTE: A member shall be entitled to appeal only once per allegation, against a fine or penalty imposed upon him.

c) Penalties

When the DC decides that a breach of the Code of Behaviour has been established it shall impose such penalty as it may deem appropriate having regard to the circumstances. Such penalties include, but are not limited to, a reprimand, censure, a fine, suspension of membership, suspension from participating in one or more tournaments or for a given period, expulsion from the Big Easy IGT Tour, or otherwise as the DC shall determine.

d) Right of Appeal in a Case of a Serious Breach

In the case of a serious breach only, the member may appeal against any decision given by the DC by giving notice of his intention to do so within 14 days of the notice of the DC's decision having been communicated to the member in writing. In the event of any such appeal, implementation of the decision of the DC and enforcement of any penalty imposed shall be stayed until the appeal has been heard. In a case of a serious breach, the Commissioner, or a person so designated by the Commissioner, shall appoint a chairperson to hear the appeal and make a finding thereon. The Appeals Chairperson may be a Director of IGT not involved in the hearing a quo, or an attorney or advocate appointed for that purpose.

The notice of appeal submitted by the member must state any one or more of the following grounds of appeal which shall be based on one of the following:

(i) on a matter of fact;

(ii) on a question of the application or interpretation of these Regulations, including the Code of Behaviour as applicable to the offence, sanction or proceedings;

(iii) against the severity of the punishment requesting a reduction in the fine or other penalty imposed or any combination of the above grounds.

In the event of any such notice of appeal being lodged by the member, implementation of the decision of the DC and enforcement of any sanction imposed shall be stayed until the appeal has been heard.

The Appellant may be represented and/or assisted on the hearing of the appeal by another member of the Tour. Neither he nor his representative may approach directly or indirectly any of the persons who have already made statements or given evidence at the hearing before the DC (other than those witnesses put forward by the Appellant himself). The Appellant may request (upon written notice to the Big Easy IGT Tour no later than 7 days prior to the appeal hearing) that the Appeals Chairperson shall use its reasonable endeavours to secure such witnesses' presence at the appeal hearing. If the Appeals Chairperson is able to procure the attendance of such persons at the appeal hearing, the member (or his representative if applicable) will be given the opportunity to question such persons at the appeal hearing. The Appeals Chairperson may in its absolute discretion adjourn the hearing of the appeal to enable the appearance of any such persons before it.

e) Decision of the Appeals Chairperson

The Appeals Chairperson may after hearing all the evidence either give its decision at the conclusion of the hearing or subsequently as it shall deem fit. In either case its decision shall be conveyed to the Appellant

in writing. In arriving at its decision, the Appeals Chairperson may either uphold any decision of the DC and disallow the appeal or it may allow the appeal in whole or in part. The Appeals Chairperson in its absolute discretion may remit, reduce, increase or otherwise vary any fine or penalty imposed by the DC. A decision of the Appeals Chairperson shall be final and binding on the member.

Subject to the provisions of paragraph 29f below, any costs incurred by the member in relation to preparing for and attending an appeal hearing before the Appeals Chairperson, as well as any costs arising in the attendance of any witnesses requested by the member at such an appeal hearing, shall be borne by the member unless otherwise agreed in writing in advance by the Big Easy IGT Tour

f) Costs

The DC and/or the Appeals Chairperson in its absolute discretion may either award costs to a successful Appellant out of Big Easy IGT Tour funds or impose costs on an unsuccessful Appellant of such amount and on such terms as to payment as it shall deem fit.

32. Enforcement of Payment

Any fines and or costs imposed by the Appeals Committee, the DC or the Appeals Chairperson shall be payable within the time stipulated (except that in the case of an appeal against a decision of the DC, the payment of any such fines and/or costs shall be suspended pending the hearing of that appeal) and in default of such payment on its due date the member shall not be eligible to participate in any future tournaments sanctioned by the Big Easy IGT Tour until such a time as the fine is settled in full.

All fines received shall be donated annually to selected charities.

33. Variation

The Big Easy IGT Tour may amend the Disciplinary Procedure from time to time in its absolute discretion and any such amendments shall come into force on the date determined by the Big Easy IGT Tour and notified to the members in writing.

34. Waiver of Minor Procedural Irregularities

In the event that there is a breach of procedure by the Big Easy IGT Tour, the Commissioner, the Tournament Director, the Appeals Committee, the Disciplinary Committee or the Appeals Chairperson during the course of any disciplinary proceedings carried out pursuant to the Disciplinary Procedure, this shall not invalidate the proceedings (or any part of them) unless any such breach is so serious that the member's position is unfairly prejudiced by such procedural breach to the extent that it would not be possible for the member to be given a fair hearing.

G. Annual Awards

35. Malcolm Dreyer Trophy (Leading stroke average)

Any member who has been allocated a position on the final 2020/21 Big Easy Road to Order of Merit who has contested a minimum of six Big Easy Road To tournaments is eligible to receive this award. The member who records the lowest average number of strokes per round, of those members eligible, will be awarded this trophy.

36. Player of the Year

The Player of the year is selected by the Big Easy IGT Tour staff for exceptional play and results during the season.

37. Race to Sunshine Tour Q-School

Any member who has been allocated a position on the final 2020/21 Race to Q-School Order of Merit is eligible to receive this award. The member ranked highest on the final 2020/21 Race to Q-School Order of Merit will be awarded this trophy.

H. BIG EASY IGT TOUR DETAILS

38. Big Easy IGT

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I. Big Easy IGT Tour Prize Money Breakdown

Prize money paid out will be as per the breakdown listed in Big Easy IGT Challenge Tour Prize Money Breakdown section of these Regulations or as otherwise published on the tournament notice board.

Big Easy Road To Events payout

Pos	R75 000
1	R10 500
2	R8 625
3	R5 835
4	R4 125
5	R3 510
6	R3 060
7	R2 595
8	R2 220
9	R1 980
10	R1 845
11	R1 725
12	R1 635
13	R1 545
14	R1 485
15	R1 440
16	R1 395
17	R1 365
18	R1 320
19	R1 290
20	R1 260
21	R1 230
22	R1 215
23	R1 185
24	R1 170
25	R1 155
26	R1 125
27	R1 110
28	R1 080
29	R1 065
30	R1 035
31	R1 005
32	R990
33	R975
34	R960
35	R945

IGT Chase To & Race to Q-School Events payout

These events prize pool is based on the total entries per event.

Players entered = 120		Players entered = 100		Players entered = 80	
Prize Pool = R53,029		Prize Pool = R45,912		Prize Pool = R35,355	
Pos	Money	Pos	Money	Pos	Money
1	R8 000	1	R8 000	1	R8 000
2	R5 000	2	R5 000	2	R5 000
3	R3 500	3	R3 500	3	R3 500
4	R2 800	4	R2 800	4	R2 800
5	R2 406	5	R2 273	5	R2 028
6	R2 303	6	R2 152	6	R1 889
7	R2 204	7	R2 037	7	R1 760
8	R2 109	8	R1 929	8	R1 640
9	R2 018	9	R1 826	9	R1 528
10	R1 932	10	R1 728	10	R1 424
11	R1 849	11	R1 636	11	R1 326
12	R1 769	12	R1 549	12	R1 236
13	R1 693	13	R1 467	13	R1 151
14	R1 620	14	R1 388	14	R1 073
15	R1 551	15	R1 314	15	R1 000
16	R1 484	16	R1 244		
17	R1 420	17	R1 178		
18	R1 359	18	R1 115		
19	R1 301	19	R1 056		
20	R1 245	20	R1 000		
21	R1 191				
22	R1 140				
23	R1 091				
24	R1 044				
25	R1 000				

J. Big Easy IGT Points Table for Order of Merits

The following Points Table will apply to all Order of Merits.

Pos	Points	Pos	Points
1	10500	36	930
2	8625	37	915
3	5835	38	900
4	4125	39	885
5	3510	40	870
6	3060	41	855
7	2595	42	840
8	2220	43	825
9	1980	44	810
10	1845	45	795
11	1725	46	780
12	1635	47	765
13	1545	48	750
14	1485	49	735
15	1440	50	720
16	1395	51	705
17	1365	52	690
18	1320	53	675
19	1290	54	660
20	1260	55	645
21	1230	56	630
22	1215	57	615
23	1185	58	600
24	1170	59	585
25	1155	60	570
26	1125	61	555
27	1110	62	540
28	1080	63	525
29	1065	64	510
30	1035	65	495
31	1005	66	480
32	990	67	465
33	975	68	450
34	960	69	435
35	945	70	420