



2010 QUALIFYING SCHOOL

SECOND STAGE
26th November – 29th November

REGISTRATION DEADLINE
1200 hrs Thursday 25th November



EUROPEAN TOUR
QUALIFYING SCHOOL – SECOND STAGE
26th – 29th NOVEMBER 2010

PLAYER INFORMATION

1. Venues

ARCOS GARDENS GOLF CLUB

Carretera de Algar Km. 3
11630 Arcos de la Frontera
Cádiz
Spain
Tel: + 34 956 704 131
Email:

anorthridge@arcosgardens.com
Web: www.arcosgardens.com

Location: 4km east of Arcos de la Frontera.
Nearest Airport: Jerez (30 min)
Seville (60 min).

HACIENDA DEL ALAMO

Avienda Hacienda 30320
Fuente Alamo
Murcia
Spain
Tel: +34 608 353 894

Email: golfers@hdagolf.com
Web: www.clubdegolfhda.com

Location: 30km south of Murcia
Nearest Airport: Murcia(San Javier)
(30 min)
Alicante (1 hr 15 min).

COSTA BALLENA OCEAN GC

C/ Chipiona – El Puerto de Santa Maria – Km. 5
11520 Rota
Cádiz
Spain
Tel: + 34 956 84 70 70

Email: comercial@ballenagolf.com
Web: www.ballenagolf.com

Location: 5km north of Rota, 25km west of Jerez.
Nearest Airport: Jerez (30 min),
Seville (90 min), Gibraltar (90 min).

EL VALLE GOLF RESORT

Autovia Murcia - San Javier km 4
Baños y Mendigo
30155
Murcia
Spain
Tel: +34 902 500 304

Email: evrgolf@polarisworld.com
Web: www.nicklausgolftrail.es

Location: 20 km south east of Murcia.
Nearest Airport: Murcia (San Javier)
(30 min), Alicante (60 min).

Full details of the location of each venue can be found on the respective websites for each venue as listed above.

2. Conditions

Each 2nd Stage event will be contested over 72 holes of stroke play with 18 holes being played each day. There will be no cut during 2nd Stage, however, a competitor is entitled to withdraw at the conclusion



of any round provided that notification is given before the close of play each day.

The exact number of qualifying places available at each venue will be announced on **Friday 26th November** once the exact number of Second Stage participants has been calculated.

NOTE: Play may be scheduled on Tuesday 30th November if play has been delayed as a result of bad weather or any other unforeseen circumstance (please refer to point 7. below).

3. **Play-Offs**

Play-offs are likely as ties will not be taken and a number of alternate places will be available at each course. These will be conducted immediately after play has been completed on the final day (or the following day as necessary).

4. **Practice**

The official practice days at each venue are **Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th November**. Arrangements for practice at each venue are as follows:

Arcos Gardens

Wednesday 24th and 25th November - from 08.45 until 15.30 (in 3 balls).

Practice prior to this will be subject to availability. The Club will permit one courtesy round and all others will be charged at the Federation rate of €34.

Contact: Golf Shop (Ashley Northridge – Director of Golf) - Tel: + 34 956 704 201.

Hacienda Del Alamo

Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th November - from 08.30 until 15.00 (in 3 balls).

Practice prior to this will be subject to advance booking and availability and courtesy will be given.

Contact: Golf Reception – Tel: +34 608 353 894 or email: golfers@hdagolf.com

Costa Ballena Club de Golf

Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th November - from 08.45 until 15.30 (in 3 balls).

On Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd November competitors will be given courtesy but should contact the club in advance to check



availability. Prior to the 22nd November a special reduced green fee of 25€ will be offered to all competitors.

Contact: (Víctor Sáez – Director Comercial) Email: comercial@ballenagolf.com Tel: +34 956 847070.

El Valle Golf Resort

Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th November – from 08.30 until 15.0 (in 3 balls).

Prior to the week of the QS and from 1st November the Club will give competitors courtesy of the course after 13.00 each day. Before 13.00 there will be a charge of €30. All competitors must contact the club in advance and practice will be subject to availability - Club Reception, +34 902 500 304 or evqrgolf@polarisworld.com

5. Registration

All competitors are required to register with the European Tour by **1200 (local time) on Thursday 25th November**. This may be done in person at the course where you are scheduled to play or by telephone to the European Tour Office at Wentworth:

Entries Department

Telephone: + 44 (0) 1344 844471 or + 44 (0) 1344 840400

or email: QS@europeantour.com

Amateur competitors who wish to maintain their **amateur status** must indicate their intention in writing and this can be done by completing a standard form available at registration.

6. Withdrawals

If an exempt player withdraws after the closing date without competing he will be refunded £1,250. If a player is absent on the tee without notification, no refund will be given. (Players who qualified at 1st Stage are no longer eligible for any type of refund).

Once an entrant has teed off refund of entry is not possible.

A player may withdraw following the completion of any round providing notification is given to the European Tour office on site before the close of play each day.



7. Bad Weather

Tuesday 30th November has been reserved at each venue in case of delays due to bad weather. As a principle the following guidelines will be used:

- 4 stipulated rounds is the objective.
- If 4 rounds cannot be completed by the evening of the bad weather day, 3 rounds is the objective.
- If 3 rounds cannot be completed by the evening of the bad weather day, 2 rounds is the objective.
- If 2 rounds cannot be completed by the evening of the bad weather day, the event may be rescheduled in whole or in part.
- A full day's play will not be scheduled after the bad weather day but in exceptional circumstances a round in progress may be completed.

8. Clubhouse Information

All clubhouses will open by 07.30 each day including practice days and breakfast will be available from this time.

9. Practice Ranges

The European Tour will provide Titleist balls for use by School Competitors on the range at each venue. On practice days and tournament days range opening times will be as follows:

Arcos Gardens	- 08.00 – 17.30 (last balls)
Hacienda Del Alamo	- 08.00 – 17.30 (last balls)
Costa Ballena	- 08.00 – 17.30 (last balls)
El Valle	- 08.00 – 17.00 (last balls)

Any player found removing balls from the range will be subject to disciplinary action under the European Tour Code of Behaviour (see 10. below).



10. Conduct and Dress Regulations

All competitors must abide by the European Tour Code of Behaviour as contained in the Members General Regulations Handbook – copies will be available from the Tournament Office on site at each venue. For a minor breach of the code a fine of not less than £100 nor greater than £1,000 will be applied. Please note that jeans, shorts and collarless shirts are not acceptable dress at any time or for any reason.

11. Caddies

Caddies are permitted, however, no Second Stage competitor may caddie for another participant at the same venue.

Caddies are **not** permitted to wear jeans, sandals or golf shoes (with spikes). Caddies may wear shorts provided they are tailored, solid coloured and knee length. Beach style shorts or shorts with cargo pockets, patterns or stripes of any kind are unacceptable.

12. Trolleys

Trolleys are available at all venues and will be provided free of charge on a first come first served basis.

13. Rules and Conditions

The events will all be played under the R&A Rules of Golf. The European Tour Competition Conditions, Rules and Regulations will also apply with the exception of the 2010 Groove Regulations as indicated below. A full list of Competition Conditions, Rules and Regulations will be available at each venue and on the 1st tee. Competitors are specifically asked to note:

a) Limitation of balls used during Round

During a stipulated round the balls a player uses must be of the same brand and type as detailed by a single entry on the current list of Conforming Golf Balls.

b) Driving Clubs

The driver the player carries must have a clubhead, identified by model and loft that is named on the current list of Conforming Driver Heads issued by R&A Rules Limited. Penalty for Breach of Condition: **disqualification**.

c) Dangerous Situation - Play Suspension

If play is suspended due to a dangerous situation, **play must be suspended immediately**. Penalty for breach of rule: **disqualification**.

d) Practice Putting Prohibited



A player shall not play any practice stroke on or near the putting green of the hole last played.

e) **Pace of Play**

Please refer to the attached policy.

f) **Groove Regulations**

Please note that the new 2010 R&A Groove Regulations as listed on the European Tour “Hard Card” **will not** be in effect for the 2nd Stage of the Qualifying School. (However, please be aware that the regulations will be operative for the Final Stage of the QS.)

g) **Anti-Doping**

This will be in effect, please refer to point 13., below.

14. **European Tour Anti-Doping Policy**

The European Tour now operates an Anti-Doping Policy which has been developed to protect the integrity that is inherent in the sport, and to ensure the health and safety of all competitors. As a condition of participation all competitors must comply with and be bound by the terms of the policy. A handbook detailing information on the policy is available from the European Tour.

Although it is unlikely that any testing will be carried out during the 2nd Stage please note that the European Tour reserves the right to implement testing at any stage of the Qualifying School.

15. **Prize Money**

The leading professional players at each venue will receive prize money as follows:

1. £1,500
2. £1,000
3. £ 700
4. £ 500
5. £ 300

Please note that this prize money will not be paid until the conclusion of the Final Stage of the Qualifying School. In order to satisfy the requirements of the Spanish Tax Authorities, payments will be made by bank transfer only (not cheque) and **players who win prize money must supply their bank account details and a copy of the appropriate section of their passport in order to receive payment.**

For further information please contact Sara Stringer, Players' Account Manager: Tel: +44 1344 840502 Email: sstringer@europeantour.com



Amateur entrants are not eligible for prize money.

16. European Tour Staff

The following staff will be in attendance:

ARCOS GARDENS

Jose Maria Zamora
Kevin Feeney
Rob Simpson
Eugenio Reviriego
Suzanne Collins

HACIENDA DEL ALAMO

Miguel Vidaor
Pascal Vincent
Robert Moss
Fernando Pascual de Pobil
Barrie Hill

COSTA BALLENA

David Williams
Nigel Watt
Nic Gilks
Jose Luis Ordovas
Carmel Treacy

EI VALLE

Gary Tait
Gary Butler
David Rishworth
Alberto Bueno
Jennie Janes

17. European Tour Website

Please note that the European Tour Website www.europeantour.com was updated earlier this year and now includes a dedicated section about the Qualifying School – this can be accessed via the main navigation bar at the top of the home page. This site will carry various information about all Stages of the Qualifying School including specific details about each venue. This will include entry lists, draws and results once each tournament commences. Please use the following link to source information about a specific venue: <http://www.europeantour.com/europeantour/qualifying/tournament/index.html>

18. 2011 Challenge Tour Membership

Any player who participates in the Second Stage of the European Tour Qualifying School will be eligible for Unranked Membership of the European Challenge Tour for the 2011 season. **To obtain full membership rights, players who are eligible for membership MUST have paid their Membership Fee prior to competing in their first Challenge Tour Ranking tournament.** A player joining after this date shall not obtain full rights during the 2011 season.

Mike Stewart
Qualifying School Director



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2nd STAGE PACE OF PLAY POLICY

Players at all venues are advised to note carefully the provisions of the Tour's Pace of Play policy printed on the Tour Hard Card.

Because of the large entry and the growing restrictions of daylight, referees will be instructed to **time any group which is both over their allotted time and out of position with the group in front.**

Players must recognise their obligation to keep tight up to the group in front (not ahead of the group behind).

Please assist us to keep play moving for the benefit of everyone by:

- a) being ready to play when it is your turn
- b) keeping within the per stroke limits
- c) playing provisional balls when necessary or advisable
- d) adopting Rule 3-3 (Doubt as to Procedure) if needed

Tour policy on pace of play is that **we do not warn groups before we time them.** All players are expected to know when their group is out of position and assume that they are being timed.

Please note that the Pace of Play penalties are amended as follows:-

One bad time	-	Verbal warning from Official.
Two bad times	-	One stroke penalty and £250 fine
Three bad times	-	Two stroke penalty and £500 fine
Four bad times	-	Disqualification

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Qualifying School Director