



ORDER OF MERIT
Operating Format 2004

Event	Date	Weighting	Girls	Note
Orange Blossom Tour	Jan	X 3		
Spanish Amateur	Feb	X 3		
Portuguese Amateur	Mar	X 3		
South African Amateur	Mar	X 3		
Roehampton Gold Cup	Mar	X ½		
French U 21 Championship	April	X 2		
SLGA St. Leonards U 16 Ch.	April	X ½	✓	
Scottish Stroke Play (Helen Holm)	April	X 3		
County Championship I	April/June	X ½		Adjusted according to entry standard. See text.
County Championship II		X 1		
County Championship III	May	X 1½		
Hampshire Rose	April	X ½		
Tenby Scratch	April	X ½		
English Match Play	May	X 3		
Astor Salver	June	X ½		
Critchley Salver	June	X ½		
Wentworth Scratch	June	X ½		
British Match Play	June	X 5		
St. Rule Trophy	June	X ½		
Bridget Jackson Bowl	June	X ½		
Welsh Stroke Play	June	X 2		
Harpur Salver	July	X½		
Pleasington Putter	July	X½		
English Stroke Play*	July	X 2		* x 3 if all Performance players available
Divisional Championship	July	X 1		
European Young Masters	July	X 1	✓	
English Schools	July	X ½	✓	
English Girls Championship	July	X 1	✓	
English U15 / U13	July	X ½	✓	
Swiss Championship	August	X 3		
St. Andrews U 23 Open	August	X 1		
British Open Low Amateur	August	400 pts		
Plays 4 rounds		250 pts		
Pre-Qualifier		125 pts		
US Amateur	August	X 5		
R.Birkdale Scratch	August	X ½		
Formby Leveret	August	X ½		
British Girls Championship		X 2	✓	
Todd Bowl	August	X ½		
English Mid Amateur	August	X 2		
British Mid-Amateur	August	X 2		
European Individual	August	X 4		
North of England U 16 Championship	August	X ½	✓	
British Stroke Play	Sept	X 4		
Italian Championship	Sept	X 3		
Liphook Scratch	Sept	X ½		

ELGA ORDER OF MERIT FORMAT

WEIGHTING THE TOURNAMENTS

The objective of the ranking system is to incorporate all types of competition and all age-related events in a scale that apportions appropriate weight to each event. Each event is given a weighting or value along the following lines:

British Amateur Match Play and US Women's Amateur	= Points x 5
Other Majors	= Points x 4
European Class	= Points x 3
International and European Age-Related	= Points x 2
National Class	= Points x 1
Regional Class	= Points x ½.

AWARDING THE POINTS

The finishing position as below is multiplied by the tournament weighting figure.

Stroke play		Match play	
1 st	= 100 points	Winner	= 100 points
2 nd	= 75 points	Runner-up	= 75 points
3 rd	= 60 points	Semi-finalist	= 55 points
4 th	= 50 points	Quarter-finalist	= 36 points
5 th	= 40 points	Last Sixteen	= 20 points
6 th	= 35 points	Last Thirty-two*	= 12 points
7 th	= 32 points		
8 th	= 30 points	Qualifiers ⁺	= 6 points
9 th	= 27 points		
10 th	= 25 points		
	11 th =	+ national championships only	
		22 points	* events with 64 qualifiers only
12 th	= 20 points		
13 th	= 18 points		
14 th	= 16 points		
15 th	= 14 points		
16 th	= 12 points		
17 th	= 10 points		
18 th	= 8 points		
19 th	= 6 points		
20 th	= 4 points		

72-hole events

Qualifiers = 4 points

Players tying in stroke play share the available points (e.g. 2 players tie for third – 60 +50 = 110 ÷ 2 = 55 points each).

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Where 2 or more current full internationals are in the field, the weighting is 1½.

Where 2 or more Performance players are in the field, the weighting is 1.

For other county championships the weighting is ½.

Points as in the match play scale above but awarded for places 1-8 only.

COUNTY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

1 st	=	25
2 nd	=	12

36-HOLE EVENTS

12 events are listed on page 2 and will be marked on the fixture list as qualifying for OM points. Other events can be included. For points to be awarded at a 36-hole event the following entry criteria must be met:

- Field to include a minimum of 20 amateurs
- Field to include a minimum of 3 players currently in the Performance or Potential programme, or members of the ELGA Bursary Squad.

(Discretionary points will be awarded in events such as the Roehampton Gold Cup where a small field of amateurs compete against four professionals.)

US COLLEGE GOLF

Ranking points will be awarded for the NCCA final rankings as follows:

1 st	=	200 points	2 nd	=	150 points	
3 rd	=	125 points	4 th	=	100 points	
5 th	=	80 points	6 th	=	70 points	
7 th	=	60 points	8 th	=	50 points	
9 th	=	40 points	10 th	=	36 points	* events with 64
qualifiers only						
11 th	=	32 points	12 th	=	30 points	
13 th	=	28 points	14 th	=	26 points	
15 th	=	24 points	16 th	=	22 points	
17 th	=	20 points	18 th	=	18 points	
19 th	=	16 points	20 th	=	14 points	

TEAM EVENTS

Team Events	Value	Selection	Foursomes Win	Foursomes Half	Singles Win	Singles Half	Total
Espirito Santo Trophy	X 5	10	See Table				550
Curtis Cup	X 4	10	15	7.5	30	15	400
Vagliano Trophy	X 3	10	15	7.5	30	15	300
European Team Championship	X 3	10	10	5	20	10	360*
Weetabix Challenge	X 2		10	5	20	10	60
Home Internationals	X 2	10	10	5	20	10	200
European Junior Team Champ	X 2	10	10	5	20	10	240*
European Girls Team Champ	X 1	10	10	5	20	10	120*
Girls Home Internationals	X 1	6	6	3	12	6	60
County Matches (max 8)	X 1	-	6	3	12	6	144
Boys v Girls	X 1		4	2	8	4	12

* See Below re. qualifying scores.

ESPIRITO SANTO TROPHY

Selection	10 points			
1 st =	100 points	2 nd =	75 points	
3 rd =	60 points	4 th =	50 points	
5 th =	35 points	6 th =	35 points	
7 th =	30 points	8 th =	27 points	
9 th =	24 points	10 th =	20 points	
11 th =	18 points	12 th =	16 points	
13 th =	14 points	14 th =	12 points	
15 th =	10 points	16 th =	8 points	
17 th =	6 points	18 th =	5 points	
19 th =	4 points	20 th =	2 points	

There will be a maximum of 110 points available, with a World Class weighting times 5 = 550 ranking points available.

EUROPEAN TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

Points will also be awarded for a top twenty placing in the stroke play qualification stages as follows:-

1 st	40	8 th	15	15 th	6
2 nd	35	9 th	14	16 th	5
3 rd	30	10 th	12	17 th	4
4 th	25	11 th	10	18 th	3
5 th	22	12 th	9	19 th	2
6 th	20	13 th	8	20 th	1
7 th	18	14 th	7		

A possible 40 points available with a weighting of

Ladies 3 = 120 ranking points in total.

Juniors 2 = 80 ranking points in total

Girls 1 = 40 ranking points in total.

POINTS CALCULATION TABLE

**Stroke
play**

Weighting	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
X 5	500	375	300	250	200	175	160	150	135	125	110	100	90	80	70	60	50	40	30	20
X 4	400	300	240	200	160	140	128	120	108	100	88	80	72	64	56	48	40	32	24	16
X 3	300	225	180	150	120	105	96	90	81	75	66	60	54	48	42	36	30	24	18	12
X 2	200	150	120	100	80	70	64	60	54	50	33	40	36	32	28	24	20	16	12	8
X 1	100	75	60	50	40	35	32	30	27	25	22	20	18	16	14	12	10	8	6	4
X ½	50	38	30	25	20	18	16	15	14	13	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2

Match play

Weighting	1st	2nd	Last 4	Last 8	Last 16	Last 32
X 5	500	375	275	180	100	60
X 4	400	300	220	144	80	48
X 3	300	225	165	108	60	36
X 2	200	150	110	72	40	24
X 1	100	75	55	36	20	12
X ½	50	38	28	18	10	6