



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Golf Australia and Special Olympics Australia

1/09/2020 – 30/06/2023

Golf Australia (GA) and Special Olympics Australia (SOA) agree to collaborate in the development of a coach workforce, and promotion and delivery of programs and events. This partnership provides increased quality participation opportunities for people with intellectual disabilities, enhancements in the inclusivity of mainstream club environments and increased competition pathway options.

Golf Australia and Special Olympics Australia will work together in the following areas:

- 1) GA and SOA will foster links and share details of All Abilities programs and coaches nationally.
- 2) GA and SOA will work together to connect staff, volunteers and coaches at a local level to enhance relationships between clubs and programs, and support clubs to become more inclusive through GA's inclusive club action plan. SOA will offer support and advice where required.
- 3) SOA will support promotion of GA's Get Into Golf and MyGolf (All Abilities) programs. SOA coaches and clubs will be encouraged and supported to register on GA's online platform. GA will support adjustments to the platform, where required, to reflect specific needs of SOA programs.
- 4) MyGolf delivery will be incorporated into SOA's Inclusive Sport In Schools program. GA will support connection of SOA schools staff with state based GA staff and local coaches.
- 5) SOA and GA will provide access to coach development opportunities and accreditation courses. GA coaches will have access to courses on SOA Learn and SOA coaches will be encouraged to complete PGA coach accreditation.
- 6) GA and SOA will collaborate on cross promotional opportunities through social media, websites and promotional material through a joint GA & SOA communications plan. GA logo and information will feature on SOA website Partners page and Schools page. SOA logo and information will feature on Get Into Golf website. A co-branded joint pathway diagram will be developed and promoted by both parties.
- 7) GA and SOA will share relevant data that reflects joint outcomes. Data may include, but not be limited to, programs, participants, clubs, coaches/teachers, and a summary of the key stakeholders involved in programs and initiatives.
- 8) GA and SOA will work together to promote participation pathways. Where possible, SOA and GA will co-brand and co-deliver events, and/or invite golfers with intellectual disabilities from the partner organisation to compete in events.
- 9) GA and SOA will work together to increase the number of SOA affiliate programs delivered by GA coaches. GA will inform all PGA All Abilities coaches nationally about the opportunity to get involved with SOA.
- 10) SOA and GA to create and share best practice case studies to increase programs and enhance club engagement.

Further Conditions

1. This MoU outlines the framework of a working relationship between the parties. It is not intended to constitute a contract but is built on goodwill and binding in honour only.



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2. Where an activity may give rise to obligations between the parties that go beyond this MoU, a separate legally binding agreement shall be entered into for each activity.
3. Nothing in this MoU alters or affects the ownership of any intellectual property which remains the property of the rightful party.
4. No party shall use the name or logo of the other party without first obtaining consent.
5. This agreement will be reviewed at the conclusion of the project on the June 30th 2023.

Signed: _____

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