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FIFG FootGolf® World Championship 2026

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION GUIDELINES



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PROGRAM



Wednesday - May 27

Early Registration - Princess Hotel
10:00 - Practice - Turtles and Dunes

Thursday - May 28

Registration - Princess Hotel
7:00 - Practice - Turtle Dunes & Tres Vidas
19:45 - Welcome Ceremony - Princess Hotel

Friday - May 29

Round 1 - Category + Courses
Men Group A - **Vidas**
Men Group B - **Turtle**
Women - **Tres**
Senior - **Dunes**
Senior Plus - **Tres**
10:30 - 3:00 pm Lunch

Saturday - May 30

Round 2 - Category + Courses
Men Group A - **Turtle**
Men Group B - **Vidas**
Women - **Dunes**
Senior - **Tres**
Senior Plus - **Dunes**
10:30 - 3:00 pm Lunch

Sunday - May 31

Round 3 - Category + Courses
Men Pass Cut - **Vidas**
Men Cut - **Turtle**
Women - **Tres**
Senior - **Dunes**
Senior Plus - **Tres**
10:30 - 3:00 pm Lunch

Monday - June 1

Final Round
Men - **Turtle**
Men Cut - **Vidas (9 holes)**
Women Pass Cut - **Dunes**
Women Cut - **Tres**
Senior Pass Cut: **Dunes**
Senior Cut: **Tres**
Senior Plus Pass Cut: **Dunes**
Senior Plus Cut: **Tres**
10:30 - 3:00 pm Lunch
19:45 Prize Ceremony

GENERAL INFORMATION

The FIFG FootGolf World Cup Acapulco 2026 – Individual Competition will take place in Acapulco, Mexico, from May 27 to June 1, 2026 and will distribute 1000 FIFG points in every category.

The official courses used for the FIFG FootGolf World are located within two different golf complexes in Acapulco, Mexico:

1. Turtle Dunes:

- a. Courses
 - i. Turtle (Turquoise)
 - ii. Dunes (Grey)

2. Tres Vidas

- a. Courses:
 - i. Tres (Green)
 - ii. Vidas (Red)

Each competition category will be assigned to specific courses within these complexes, as detailed in the relevant sections of these guidelines. Transportation between complexes will be organized by the Local Organizing Committee according to the official event schedule.

BASIC RULES

The Individual Competition will be played under the Official Rules of the Game of FootGolf as established by the Federation for International FootGolf (FIFG), updated in January 2023.

The official rules are available at: <https://www.footgolf.sport/rules>

Obstruction Guide: <https://www.footgolf.sport/obstructions-guide>

All players are fully responsible for reading, understanding, and correctly applying the official rules at all times. Ignorance of the rules will not be accepted as justification for any breach.

Participation in the Individual Competition is strictly limited to players holding a valid FIFG World Tour License for the 2026 season. No player will be allowed to compete without a valid license.

Local Rules

Local rules will be exposed closer to the tournament date in a separate document.

Requirements for Competition Attendance

To participate players must meet the following eligibility criteria:

1. World Tour License 2026
2. Rules test

Players are required to successfully complete an online rules test to confirm their understanding of competition regulations.



3. Anti-Doping Education

- Pass the International-Level Athletes Education Program (ADEL). Send Certificate to your countries association.
- Please note that approximately 1,500 players have already completed the course since November 2024 and are therefore exempt from taking it again. The certificate is valid for two years.

COMPETITION FORMAT & CATEGORIES

Competition Format

The Individual Competitions will be played over 72 holes in Stroke Play format.

Competition Categories

The Individual Competition will be contested in the following four (4) categories:

- **Men** – All male players, excluding those eligible to compete in the Senior category.
- **Senior** – Male players born in 1980 or earlier.
- **Senior Plus** – Male players born in 1970 or earlier.
- **Women** – All female players.

There will be no Junior category in the Individual Competition. However, Junior players may compete in the Men's or Women's categories only if: (i) an official exemption is granted by the FIFG, and (ii) the exemption is authorized by the player's FIFG Member Country.

Leaderboard Links – Live Scores

On FIFG Website:

<https://www.footgolf.sport/acapulcoworldcup2026/leaderboard-individual/>

On Bluegolf:

Men: <https://fifg.bluegolf.com/bluegolf/fifg25/event/fifg25191/index.htm?>

Women: <https://fifg.bluegolf.com/bluegolf/fifg25/event/fifg25190/index.htm?>

Senior: <https://fifg.bluegolf.com/bluegolf/fifg25/event/fifg25384/index.htm?>

Senior Plus: <https://fifg.bluegolf.com/bluegolf/fifg25/event/fifg25385/index.htm?>

VENUES & COURSE ASSIGNMENTS

The Individual Competition will be played in two venues across four (4) official courses, referred to as: Course 1, Course 2, Course 3, and Course 4.



Category Course Allocation:

Men: Courses Turtle and Vidas

Senior: Courses Dunes and Tres

Women: Courses Dunes and Tres

Senior Plus: Courses Dunes and Tres

Each category will compete and practice only on its assigned courses.

TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION

First players must check in to their Hotel.

At Princess Hotel

May 26: Early registration (TBA)

May 27: Early registration 8:00 am

May 28: Official registration

All players must complete accreditation prior to competing.

PRACTICE ROUNDS

Practice Days

Official practice rounds will take place on May 27 at Turtle Dunes and May 28 on both courses. Practice times are to be confirmed and will be communicated by the Local Organizing Committee (LOC).

Practice is permitted only on official practice days. Players are not allowed to practice between competition rounds or during a competition round.

Players that practice Turtle Dunes on May 27 should practice Tres Vidas on May 28 in the morning. Meanwhile, those that did not practice on the 27th should practice Turtle Dunes in the morning.

Practice Round Format

Practice rounds will be conducted using tee times, with intervals of five (5) minutes.

Eligibility for Practice

- Practice rounds are open to all registered Individual players.
- Coaches are allowed to participate in specific shots, without delaying pace of play.
- Caddies are not permitted to play shots in practice rounds.



Practice Group Composition

Practice groups may consist of a maximum of four (4) players. A single player may be added to any group that has not reached the maximum number of players.

Pace of Play

During Practice

All groups must maintain pace with the group in front of them. Faster groups must be allowed to play through in case of delays. Marshalls will monitor practice rounds.

Players may practice more than one shot per turn only if pace of play is not affected. Failure to comply may result in penalties or disciplinary action.

During Competition

Pace of play rules established under the FIFG Official Rules will be strictly enforced throughout the competition.

Players are expected to help maintain pace of play by:

- Being ready to play when it is their turn
- Using waiting time to prepare for the next shot
- Avoiding unnecessary delays
- Have additional ball markers to use when appropriate to speed up play

Marshalls and Rules Officials may monitor pace of play and apply warnings or penalties in accordance with FIFG Rules.

Practice Registration & Walking the Courses

All players will receive an official email with detailed practice information and registration instructions, if required. If reservations are necessary, registration will open one week prior to May 27.

Players may walk the courses between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Practice Days, provided they do not interfere with the pace of play of groups.

Walking Courses During Competition

During official competition days, players are prohibited to walk the course prior to playing their round. Players may go onto the course after completing their round; however, they are not permitted to communicate with or provide information to players who are still actively in competition.



COMPETITION SCHEDULE & COURSE ROTATION

Overall Schedule

May 29:	Round 1
May 30:	Round 2
May 31:	Round 3
June 1:	Round 4 (Final Round)

Men's Individual Competition

Men will be divided into two (2) groups: Group A and Group B. Group A will consist of the top 50% of the 2025 world ranking, while Group B will be the remaining 50% or those that don't have a position in the ranking.

Round 1 – May 29

Course 1 – Group A – Vidas Course
Course 2 – Group B – Turtle Course

Round 2 – May 30

Course 1 – Group B – Vidas Course
Course 2 – Group A – Turtle Course
Cut after Round 2: 50% cut + ties (max amount may apply)

Round 3 – May 31

Vidas Course – Players who passed the cut
Turtle Course – Players who did not pass the cut

Final Round – June 1

Turtle Course – Finalists
Course Vidas Course – Players who did not pass the cut - 9 holes (in order to see the final pairings at Turtle Dunes).

Senior Individual Competition

May 29: (Round 1): Dunes Course
May 30: (Round 2): Tres Course
May 31: (Round 3): Dunes Course
Cut after Round 3 - 50% cut + ties (max amount may apply)
Players that don't make the cut, will compete for FIFG points until Round 3. Round 4 will not count.

Final Round – June 1: Dunes Course.
Cut Players – Tres Course (9 holes)

Women's Individual Competition

May 29: (Round 1): Tres Course

May 30: (Round 2): Dunes Course

May 31: (Round 3): Tres Course

Cut after Round 3 - 50% cut + ties (max amount may apply)

Players that don't make the cut, will compete for FIFG points until Round 3. Round 4 will not count.

Final Round – June 1: Dunes Course

Cut Players - Tres Course (9 holes)

Senior Plus Individual Competition

May 29 (Round 1): Tres Course

May 30 (Round 2): Dunes Course

May 31 (Round 3): Tres Course

Cut after Round 3 - 50% cut + ties (max amount may apply)

Players that don't make the cut, will compete for FIFG points until Round 3. Round 4 will not count.

Final Round – June 1: Dunes Course

SCORING, CUTS & TIEBREAKERS

Scores are determined by cumulative score across all rounds played.

When cuts are applied, all players tied at the cut line advance, up to a maximum of x (See chart below), then the tiebreaker will be last 18 - 9 - 6 - 3 - 2 - 1.

Category	MEN		SENIOR		WOMEN		SENIOR PLUS	
Cut/Max*	CUT MAX		CUT MAX		CUT MAX		CUT MAX	
Players	192	196	88	96	45	54	24	30
Flights	48	49	22	24	15	18	8	10

*The cut amounts may change depending on the final number of players.

In the event of a tie for the podium, a three-hole playoff will be conducted. Ties for other positions will remain unbroken. In case of a tie in prize credit positions in position 4 or greater, the prize will be split.

Prize Money Credit

Position	MEN	SENIOR	WOMEN	SENIOR PLUS
1	€1,500	€1,000	€700	€500
2	€1,300	€800	€500	€350
3	€1,100	€600	€400	€250
4	€900	€400	€300	
5	€700	€200		
6	€500	€200		
7	€400			
8	€300			
9	€300			
10	€300			

OFFICIAL SCORING PLATFORM & LIVE INFORMATION

The official scoring and results platform for the Individual Competition is BlueGolf.

BlueGolf will be used for live scoring, official results, tee times, and leaderboards.

FIFG App Requirement

All players must download and have access to the official FIFG mobile application, which is required for live scoring. **IMPORTANT:** The App will be used only for players entering scores. To view leaderboards, they must be seen in the website links. (view section 3.3)

Download FIFG Bluegolf APP (data/internet service needed to upload live results)

IOS (iPhone) - <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/fifg-footgolf/id6504822087>

Android - <https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.bluegolf.android.fifg>



Live Scorer

The first player in each group will be responsible for entering the live scores. However, all players in the group are responsible for making sure the scores are being entered correctly.

The first designated player in each group is responsible for entering the live scoring during the round. Live scoring is mandatory for the proper functioning of the competition, official leaderboards, player information, and live broadcasting.

If the designated player is unable to perform the live scoring due to not having a mobile phone, lack of mobile data service, device malfunction, low battery, or any other reason, the group must immediately designate another player to enter the scores. If another player agrees to assume this responsibility, no penalty will apply.

If no player in the group agrees or is able to perform the live scoring, the originally designated player will receive a one-stroke penalty. The starter or Committee will record the penalty on the player's scorecard and designate the next player in the group to assume the live scoring responsibility. The same procedure and penalty structure will continue to apply until a player accepts and performs the live scoring duties.

All players are strongly responsible for ensuring that at least one player in the group is capable of performing live scoring throughout the round.

Mobile Data & Connectivity Requirement

All players must have active mobile service and/or mobile data during the FIFG FootGolf World Cup Acapulco 2026 in order to use the official live scoring system, which requires hole-by-hole score entry during play.

Reliable connectivity is important for live scoring, tournament operations, and live broadcast coverage.

Players are encouraged to check with their mobile provider if their service works in Mexico. Local SIM cards and mobile data options may also be available for purchase at the airport upon arrival in Mexico.



PLAYER ARRIVAL & SCORING PROCEDURES

Players are responsible for reviewing the official transportation schedule and allowing sufficient time to arrive at their assigned courses. Players should be at the starting hole at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to their tee time, ready to play.

- Players must be at the starting hole when the starter announces their name to receive instructions. If the player is not present a +1 penalty will apply.
- Estimated transfer time from bus drop-off to the first hole is 5–10 minutes.
- Players should allow adequate time for warm-up before play.

Groups and tee times for each round will be published by the Organizing Committee the day prior to each round (see Detailed Schedule).

Check-in Scorecard Pick-Up

Players will receive their scorecard by the starter at hole #1.

Players must check in at the club house to confirm presence.

Scorecard Submission

Players must turn in their official scorecards within thirty (30) minutes after finishing their round at the scoring control tables located at each course. All players in the same group must sign and turn in their scorecards together. Scorecards and app scores must match. The signed scorecard is the official score that counts.

Tournament Withdrawal Process

If a player will not play in the following round they need to inform the organizers as soon as possible. If the decision is taken when a player is already out of the course, they must inform their country representative by 19:45.

In process needs to be implemented so the flight setup is done efficiently.

CADDIES & COACHES

Caddies

All caddies must be officially registered through the FIFG FootGolf World Cup Acapulco 2026 registration process.

Registered caddies will receive an official **caddy bib**, which must be worn and visible at all times while on the course.

All caddies are required to complete the official **FIFG Rules Test** prior to the competition.



A caddie is considered an extension of the player and should be present from the start of the round. Any breach of the rules, misconduct, or penalty incurred by the caddie will result in penalties being applied directly to the player.

Coaches

All coaches must also be officially registered and will receive an official coach bib, which must be worn and visible at all times while on the course.

Coaches are permitted to communicate with and provide assistance to players from their Member Country during play only in categories in which the coach is not participating as a player. Coaches who are also competing as players are strictly prohibited from communicating with or providing assistance to players competing in the same category in which they are participating.

DRESS CODE

PRACTICE DAYS

- Any attire that adheres to the FIFG official dress code is permitted (long socks must be used).

COMPETITION DAYS

Uniform:

- All players must wear their country's official uniform.
- In team competitions, all players on a team must wear the same official kit. Sponsors may vary in the back.
- Non-compliance with these uniform guidelines may result in disqualification.

Specific Guidelines:

Headwear

- All styles of golf hats are allowed. They should be official National Association hats.

Polos

- Collared, golf-style polo shirts are required.
- Tee shirts or polo shirts with non-affiliated logos are not allowed, both on and off the course at official venues.

Footwear

- Only turf or indoor soccer shoes are permitted.
- **No cleats** of any kind are allowed.

Gear & Apparel

- Rain jackets, wind jackets, sweaters, or other outerwear worn on the course must be part of the official kit for the FIFG Member country.

Sponsors

- Please see the Sponsor Guidelines.



Ball

- Size 5 soccer ball is required.

Ball Tee

- Only FIFG size-approved ball tees are allowed.

Ball Marker

- Golf ball markers, poker chips, or FIFG-approved size markers are permitted.

Other Equipment

- Bags, backpacks, air pumps and distance measuring devices are allowed.

Shorts

- Golf-style shorts are required.
- Women may wear a skirt and short combination suitable for athletic activities.
- Non-golf shorts, jeans, and shorts with non-affiliated logos are prohibited.

Socks

- Knee-high socks are mandatory and must be pulled up to the knee.
- Mid-calf, ankle, or other sock types are not allowed during competition.

Hotel and Golf Club facilities Dress Code:

- Please respect the dress code requirements.

Golf carts

- Each Country will receive one cart, can only be used by a non-playing team member. (costs may apply). Carts must be on cart paths only, violation of this will.

WEATHER CONDITIONS

Game Suspension

If the siren sounds once, players must finish the hole and leave the course (no starting of a new hole after the siren). If the siren sounds twice, players must mark the ball and leave the course immediately.

In the case of an interruption of the game due to bad weather, darkness or any other reason taken into consideration by the organizing committee, if play can't be resumed the next day, the following will be considered valid:

- 1. the first 15 holes if all players played them.**
- 2. the first 12 holes if all players played them.**
- 3. the first 9 holes if all players played them.**

CODE OF CONDUCT

Alcohol

The use of alcohol is forbidden while playing, or on the course outside of designated areas. Any violation may result in disqualification. If a player uses alcohol after any round and becomes belligerent while still at the event, they may also be subject to disqualification, and their points and position will be forfeited.



Tobacco / Vape Use

The use of tobacco and/or vaping products is strictly forbidden while playing. Any violation will result in automatic disqualification. The use of tobacco and/or vaping products are allowed in designated areas only.

Sanctions: first offense verbal warning; second offense +2 stroke penalty; third offense disqualification.

Drug Use

Illegal drugs are strictly forbidden during the tournament in all areas. Any violation will result in automatic disqualification.

ETIQUETTE & BEHAVIOR

During the World Cup we want to highlight sportsmanship, honor and dignity. Under no circumstances will we not allow any of the following breaches, and will strictly follow every case.

On-Course Etiquette and Behavior

Serious breaches of on-course etiquette may result in penalties and/or disqualification. Violations include, but are not limited to loud/abusive language; public urination; physical abuse or threats; slander or libel; disrespect toward volunteers, officials, staff, or competitors; throwing items or violent behavior; littering; mistreatment or vandalism; and cheating.

Off-Course Etiquette and Behavior

Serious breaches of off-course etiquette may result in penalties and/or disqualification. Violations include, but are not limited to social media posts slandering the organization, the FIFG, its sponsors, or volunteers; and vandalism or mistreatment of any hotel or sanctioned host facility.

Cheating and Fair Play

Players are expected to abide by FIFG rules of fair and honest competition and to hold others in their group accountable. Players must be honest about scores, confirm scores at the conclusion of each hole, and in case of disagreement, retrace the shots prior to beginning the next hole.

Spirit of the Game & Serious Misconduct

The Competition Committee may disqualify a player for serious misconduct for acting contrary to the spirit of the game. In determining whether disqualification is appropriate, the Committee will consider whether the player's actions were intentional and significant enough to warrant disqualification without first giving a warning and/or applying other penalties.

REPORTING MISCONDUCT & NON-RETALIATION

Reporting Misconduct

If any player observes, in good faith, any violation or potential violation of this Code of Conduct, it must be reported immediately to the Tournament/Rules Director. All reports of misconduct will be confidential, to the extent legally practicable.

Non-Retaliation

The organization does not tolerate any form of retaliation against individuals who report violations of this Code of Conduct. Arguments and offensive behavior is not tolerated and may imply in penalties or disqualification.

INTERPRETATION, AMENDMENTS & ACCEPTANCE

Any decision regarding a situation not stipulated or included in this guide will be made in accordance with the FIFG Official Rulebook. By registering to the World Cup the player acknowledges and accepts everything included in this guide.

ANTI-DOPING EDUCATION

All players participating in the FIFG FootGolf World Cup Acapulco 2026 – Individual Competition are required to complete the International-Level Athletes Education Program as part of the FIFG anti-doping requirements. International-Level Athletes Education Program (ADEL)

Upon completion of the course, players must submit their official completion diploma to their respective FIFG Member Country.

The completion diploma is valid for a period of two (2) years. Players who have already completed the course within this validity period are not required to complete it again.

Failure to comply with this anti-doping education requirement may result in a player being deemed ineligible to participate in the competition.

These are the full FIFG Anti-doping Rules ([click here](#))

Reporting a Complaint or Dispute

To ensure a fair and efficient resolution of complaints or disputes, please follow this structured process:

1. Submission of Complaint

Complaints must be submitted in writing, either by hand at scorecard submission desk or via form at <https://forms.gle/pCh5FXriLyJNRm1i7>, immediately after they finish their round. Once submitted, please notify any officials immediately or your country president/representative by phone or in person to confirm delivery and expedite the review process.

Note: Please be reasonable in utilizing this process and avoid misuse. If we determine that this regulation is being misused, a processing fee of €100 per complaint per instance level may be imposed. If the request is denied, the fee will be non-refundable.

2. Content Requirements

For clarity and thorough documentation, each complaint should include:

- Exact date and time of the incident.
- Hole and location on the course where the incident occurred.
- Names, WhatsApp numbers, and emails of any witnesses involved.
- Description of the case in English, the official FIFG language.
- Images and/or Videos of the incident or location are accepted

3. Notification and Hearing

After receiving the complaint, we will notify the involved parties if a hearing is necessary to review the matter.

4. Resolution Levels

Complaints will be reviewed and addressed in the following order:

- First Instance: Rules Officials
- Second Instance: Tournament Director
- Third and Final Instance: Competition Committee.

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