

# **Development Fund Prizes for Order of Merit (OOM) Winners**

## **Background:**

In the interest of wanting to increase the incentive for local players to play in the various OOM events throughout the season, as well as create another avenue to help players development, Canterbury Golf has in place Development Fund prizes for the 2024/2025 CGI Tour – OOM.

The intention of these Development Funds while to help grow playing numbers at the various OOM events run by clubs and CGI is also to assist aspiring local players in their development. The funds are able to be spent on accessing developmental support or towards golf event travel and entry to enable them to play more competitive events.

### **Development Funds**

The Development Funds will be awarded to the top performing Canterbury amateur players in each category as follows:

## **Order of Merit Development Fund Prizes**

	Men	Women	Men's Masters	Women's Masters
1 <sup>st</sup> Place	\$1,000	\$750	\$750	\$500
2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	\$650	\$500	\$500	\$350

#### Rationale for Men's prizes being higher:

This is due to the number of events a player in the men's category must play in order to eligible to be receive the Development Fund prize as well as the higher number of participants taking part in Men's OOM events.

## **Criteria to be able to receive Development Fund Prize:**

In order to be eligible to receive the development funds, the player must have played a minimum of the set OOM counting events for their category. This is as follows:

Category	Counting Events		
Men	6		
Women	4		
Master's Men	6		
Master's Women	3		

Players must also be a permanent New Zealand resident to be eligible to receive the development funds.

A player is still eligible to win their OOM category without playing the minimum number of counting events, as per the set OOM conditions, but won't receive the development fund prize.

#### Overview of what the Development Funds can be spent on:

- Golf event travel related costs
- Golf event entry fees
- Golf coaching
- Golf specific support i.e., S&C, mental skills etc.



Note- Development Funds can't be spent on golf gear or accessories.

## **Process for players redeeming development funds:**

The administration of the OOM Development Funds will be managed by the Canterbury Golf General Manager (GM.)

Players who wish to access their funds must identify an expense that fits within the above stated list of areas this can be used for, and then send the expense details to the GM. The GM will either confirm this is something that can be funded or not to the player. If approved, the player is to then proceed with the purchase and then provide proof of this purchase to the GM as well as their personal bank account number for reimbursement.

The GM will keep track of the players spent OOM Development funds throughout the season. Note - Any OOM Development funds left over come the end of the OOM year, will be forfeited.

