

# 2009 British Open Golf Betting - Bookmakers Expect Tiger Woods 15th Major Victory

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The British Open Golf (<http://british-open-golf.betting-directory.com/>) is just around the corner and this year's event will take place at Turnberry for the first time since 1994 when it was won by Nick Price of Zimbabwe. The British Open is often seen as the toughest Major to win due to the nature of the links courses used and the elements can often play a big part. Even the best players can struggle when the wind gets up at The Open Golf Championship (<http://www.open-golf-betting.net/>) and experience of playing in these conditions can prove vital at the end of the weekend, and Turnberry is expected to be no different in 2009.

In the 2009 British Open Betting (<http://british-open-golf.betting-directory.com/odds.php>) Tiger Woods is the favourite with the bookmakers heading into the event and he will be going for his 4th British Open win and 15th Major in all at Turnberry and although he has been inconsistent so far since returning from injury it is difficult to argue against him being the strong favourite. Woods is great friends with Roger Federer and he will be very keen to match Roger's recent 15th Grand Slam victory at Wimbledon with his own win in the Open thus levelling their Major/Grand Slam scores. Woods returned from knee surgery earlier in 2009 and his form has been up and down since then with his driving proving particularly erratic on occasions although he looks to be turning that around slowly. There is proof Woods looks to be hitting form at just the right time as he won the PGA National Championships in Maryland recently and that performance looks ominous for the other competitors with Turnberry on the horizon. A fit and firing Woods will as always be difficult to beat but he has never played at Turnberry so that maybe a crumb of comfort for the other players who have designs on the Claret Jug. The bookies believe that Tiger is a sure thing and as such there are some short prices available for Woods out there as always with any golf tournament he enters.

Padraig Harrington will be going for his 3rd straight British Open at Turnberry after dominating the event for the last couple of years and he is of course a player that is attracting big support in the betting market for that very reason. Punters know that Harrington picks his game up for the Open and he will tee-off well backed despite showing poor form in 2009. Harrington has spent most of the year trying to make cuts let alone winning tournaments but he will be hoping he pulls it out of the bag at Turnberry. Ian Poulter looks an interesting bet this year having finished 2nd in 2008 and he will be looking to go one better at Turnberry and with some good value out there he is sure to attract some support. He finished 3rd in the recent Open De France and also performed well at the US Open and looks ready to make that step up and win his first Major Championship and is likely to shorten in the betting as the British Open Golf gets closer.

The UK and Irish Online Bookmakers (<http://www.betting-directory.com/>) are offering excellent free bets and special offers including Paddy Power and Boylesports (<http://www.betting-directory.com/bookmaker-boylesports.php>) who are offering 6 places on you each way selections while the others are only going 5 places.