



**«White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament 2021»**

**WORLD AROUND GOLF**

**POLICY**

## **1. Objectives of the competition**

- 1.1. The tournament is being held for the purposes of:
- Popularizing golf in the Russian Federation and its further development as a sport;
  - Improving the skills of the sportsmen;
  - Enhancing the reputation of the North-West region of the Russian Federation as a new destination for golf tourism.

## **2. Place and date of the competition**

- 2.1. The place of the competition: Leningrad Region, Lomonosovskiy Area, GORKI Golf & Resort
- 2.2. The dates of the competition: from **June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021 until June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021.**
- 2.3. Registration till 12 pm. 20.06.2021.**
- 2.4. Life scoring will be provided using the Golf Genius app.
- 2.5. Participation fee (24hrs format):  
Men/Women: 300 euro per person.  
Cost includes: 24hrs of golf, half way snack, Food & Beverage during tournament all incl., banquet and prize ceremony.  
Guests fee (2 days): 8 000 rub per person, children 4 - 16 years (incl.) – 4 000 rub per person.

## **3. Organizers of the competition**

- 3.1. The general management of the tournament and its conduct will be the responsibility of GORKI Golf & Resort (GGR).
- 3.2. The administration of GGR is responsible for forming and approving the main panel of judges.

## **4. Participants of the competition, conditions for admission and guests**

- 4.1. The competition is classified as a team competition
- 4.2. Mixed teams are allowed (with the condition that it will be no more than one woman per team of three golfers).
- 4.3. In order to participate in the competition, sportsmen must be:
- No younger than 18 years old;
  - In possession of an active handicap that is not worse than 20.0 for both men and women
- 4.4. The maximum number of teams permitted to participate in the competition is:
- 24 teams (3 players per team)
  - Players handicap should be active and registered in the Russian Golf Association (for Russian citizens) or registered and proofed in any Golf Association according to the rules of the European Golf Association. If the handicap is not active it will be considered as 0.0 handicap.
- 4.5. Guests of the tournament are permitted to be on the territory of GORKI Golf Resort 24 hours. A player is responsible for the guests that he or she has invited.

## 5. Programme of the competition

- 5.1. The game will begin on June 26<sup>th</sup> 2021, at 12 pm and will finish on June 27<sup>th</sup> 2021 at 2 pm.
- 5.2. The organizers of the competition recommend that all players use luminous balls from 12 am until 03 am, these balls will be provided at the beginning of the tee and also additional balls will be available in the Proshop. The organizers are highly recommend to use only irons while playing luminous balls because usage of the other clubs may cause damage of the equipment. The players themselves take their own responsibility for their equipment.
- 5.3. A break for the teams will be provided from 12 am until 1 am on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

## 6. Order of Play

### 6.1. 24hrs format:

Men will play from the yellow tees. Women will play from the red tees. Players must complete a round of 9 holes before completing two rounds of 27 holes (72 holes for a team, 54 holes per player).

#### 6.1.1. ***The first round of 9 holes will be played in teams (3 people in each) and in the Stableford Greensomes format with 30% of the team's total team handicap.***

Each player starts each hole with a stroke from the tee, the players then choose the ball with the best position while the other balls are picked up. The captain of the team will determine the order of the second and third strokes from the two players whose balls were not chosen following their first stroke. The players will then continue in this order. The player whose ball was chosen, then the player who hit the second stroke and, finally, the player who hit the third stroke on that hole. If the team does not score any Stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up and move on to the next hole (e.g., on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes).

#### 6.1.2. The start of the first round from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> hole will be from 12.00 on June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

#### 6.1.3. ***The second round of 27 holes will be played in teams in the Stableford format with handicap.***

On each of the 9-hole rounds, each team is represented by only two teammates. In each group two participants from two teams will play. Each player plays their own ball. A team's score is made up of points scored by all team members. If a player in the team does not score any Stableford points on the hole, then he must pick up and move on to the next hole (e.g., on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes);

#### 6.1.4. The order of play for participants in a team in the second round and the start time of the groups on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2021, is as follows:

15.00-18.00 Captain + Player 2 (9 holes),

18.00-21.00 Player 1 + Player 2 (9 holes).

21.00-00.00 Captain + Player 1 (9 holes).

6.1.5. ***The third round of 27 holes will be played in teams in the four-ball format with handicap.***

Points are scored in accordance with the Stableford system. On each of the 9-hole rounds, each team is represented by only two teammates. In each group two participants from two teams will play. Each player plays his own ball. A team's overall score is made up of points scored in all of the rounds. A team's overall score consists of the best score on each hole, bearing in mind the player's nett handicap score. If a player in the team does not score any Stableford points on the hole, then he must pick up and move on to the next hole (e.g., on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes),

6.1.6. The order of play for participants in a team in the third round and the start time of the groups on June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2021, is as follows:

01.00-03.00 Captain + Player 2 (9 holes);

03.00-06.00 Player 1 + Player 2 (9 holes);

06.00-09.00 Captain + Player 1 (9 holes).

6.1.7. ***In the third round, if one player in the team does not come to the start, it is possible that he be replaced by another player of another team so long as notification of this is given to the referees of the competition.***

6.1.8. ***The fourth round of 9 holes will be played in teams (3 people in each) and in the Stableford Greensomes format with 30% of the team's total team handicap.*** Each player starts each hole with a stroke from the tee, the players then choose the ball with the best position while the other balls are picked up.. The captain of the team will determine the order of the second and third strokes from the two players whose balls were not chosen following their first stroke. The players will then continue in this order. The player whose ball was chosen, then the player who hit the second stroke and, finally, the player who hit the third stroke on that hole. If the team does not score any Stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up and move on to the next hole (e.g., on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes).

***In the event that one player in the team does not come to the start, the teams has the right to play with only two players, but in this case 20% of the team's total handicap is taken into account to determine the team's result.***

Each player will play their own ball for the first stroke on each hole, then the players will chose the ball with the best position while the other ball is picked up. The player whose ball was not chosen will play the second stroke and the players will continue in that order. The player whose ball was chosen will play all odd-numbered strokes, while the player whose ball was not chosen will play all even-numbered strokes on that hole. If the team does not score any

Stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up and move on to the next hole (e.g., on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes).

6.1.9. The start of the fourth round from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup> hole is from 09.00 – 12.00 on June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2020.

6.1.10. **Additional nominations:**

- Longest Drive: Hole 6
- Closest to the Pin: Hole 8

The number of shots is not limited.

6.3. The final order of teams is determined by the sum of Stableford points scored by a team in all rounds of the competition. The winner is the team with the highest Stableford score. In the event of a tie, the winner will be determined by the team with the lowest total handicap.

Notes:

\* In the event that a team does not finish a round of nine holes in the allotted time, the game is stopped and the score for all holes that have not been played is not included.

\*\* In each group markers should be assigned to players in the opposition team

\*\*\* Admission to the golf course is possible only upon agreement with the course referees.

## 7. Rules of Conduct

- 7.1. Participants for each round and their start times will be organised by the panel of referees. Participants will be notified of their respective start times in advance. The panel reserves the right to establish and/or change the order of start times.
- 7.2. Participants are required to use only those clubs that meet the requirements outlined in Appendix II of the rules of golf, this includes requirements pertaining to the grooves of clubs with lofts of more than 25 degrees (this is marked with the symbol ‘\*’ in Appendix II). It is not permitted to use clubs that are included in the list of those that are prohibited as outlined on the website <http://www.randa.org/>.
- 7.3. Players are not permitted to employ a caddy. The penalty for violating this condition will be two Stableford points, which will be deducted from the team’s total score for each hole in which such a violation occurred, the maximum penalty for the round is four points. In the event that a violation takes place between two holes, the penalty is applicable to the next hole. If the use of a caddy does not stop immediately after the discovery of a violation, the player may be subject to disqualification.
- 7.4. During specified rounds, players are required to get around the golf course on their feet only\*. The penalty for violation of this rule is two Stableford points which will be deducted from the team’s overall score for each hole in which such a violation takes place, the maximum penalty for the round is four points. The use of any other means of transport must stop immediately, otherwise the player may be subject to disqualification.\*even a player with medical condition is not allowed to use the golf cart or other devices. No exceptions for this rule.
- 7.5. In exceptional circumstances (when the pace of the game of several groups of players is under threat, when players are returning to the course after being forced to stop playing, etc.), a member of the panel of referees may make the decision to allow the transportation of an individual on a golf cart.
- 7.6. Participants are permitted to use distant measuring devices. Such devices must comply with the requirements set out by Rule 14-3 and appendix IV of the rules of golf.

- 7.7. It is forbidden to use range finders that allow a player to determine the meteorological conditions or the incline of a given surface.
- 7.8. Only golf shoes with plastic studs are allowed on the course.
- 7.9. In accordance with Footnote 2 relating to Rule 6-7 pertaining to the preservation of a game that is not excessively slow, the panel of referees is entitled to impose the following penalties for violation of Rule 6-7:
  - For the first violation – an official warning;
  - For the second violation – a penalty stroke is added to the player’s score;
  - For the third violation – two additional penalty strokes are added to the player’s score;
  - Any further violations – disqualification.
- 7.10. In the event that a violation is made pertaining to the pace of the game, the entire group of players will be punished by those players that take more than 50 seconds to strike the ball. The procedure in place as to control the speed of the game will be outlined and given to the players before the beginning of the round.
- 7.11. In the event that a round is completed early or that a group is unable to participate in an upcoming round, participants must inform the panel of referees as soon as possible.
- 7.12. The governing referee retains the right to make final decisions on disputes during the competition. Claims will be accepted by the panel of referees if they are made in writing within 30 minutes following the completion of the round should there be no provision outlined in Rule 34-1b.

## **8. Rules of Safety**

- 8.1. During the competition, participants must comply with the safety requirements and rules of the sport "golf", approved by the Ministry of Sports of the Russian Federation, as well as the R&A and USGA golf rules in force since January, 2019 (official translation of the golf rules approved by the decision of the Executive Committee of the Russian Golf Association dated 05.12.2018 No. 39).
- 8.2. If play is suspended by the Ground Jury due to a hazardous situation (Golf Rule 5-7b), the players must interrupt the game immediately. If the players in the group have just played one hole and have not yet moved on to the next, they cannot resume play until instructed by the Ground Jury. If the players are in the process of playing on the hole, they must immediately interrupt the game and resume it only after the appropriate direction of the Ground Jury. If the player refuses to immediately interrupt the game, he is subject to disqualification.
- 8.3. In the event that the panel of referees decides to evacuate players from the field of play owing to a dangerous situation, players must follow the instructions of the referees and those that have been authorized by them, the evacuation plan approved prior to the competition must then be followed.
- 8.4. The signal that indicates the suspension of the game owing to a dangerous situation is a siren, the following signals are in place:
  - Immediately stop playing – one continuous sounding of the siren;
  - Resume play – two short blasts of the siren.
- 8.5. In the event that inclement weather conditions makes play impossible, a signal will be given to ‘stop play’ – this will be signalled with three consecutive blasts of the siren. With this signal, if the hole has already started, the players withhold the right to choose either to stop immediately or to play the hole, provided that they are able to do so without any delay. In any case, once that hole has been played, the game must then be suspended (Golf Rule 5-7b),

## **9. Rewards**

- 9.1. The winners who took 1st place in the "main" standings are awarded the title "Winner of the White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament 2021", and also have the right to participate in the GORKI White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament 2022 free of charge.
- 9.2. The winners who took 1st place will be awarded with distinctive signs (White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament neckerchiefs); also the names of the winners are engraved on the challenge cup.
- 9.3. Winners who took 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places are awarded with valuable prizes and gifts.

## **10. Applications for participation**

- 10.1. Preliminary applications should be sent to GORKI Golf Resort e-mail address: [reception@gorkigolf.ru](mailto:reception@gorkigolf.ru).
- 10.2. Preliminary applications for participation will be categorised as Application No.1.
- 10.3. The deadline for the admission of preliminary applications is June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021, 6 pm Moscow time.
- 10.4. Registration for those that have been admitted is to be held at the venue itself from 09 am – 11 am (Moscow time) on 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2021.

**ЗАЯВОЧНАЯ ФОРМА/APPLICATION FORM  
GORKI WHITE NIGHTS TOURNAMENT 24 HRS 2021**

**1. Фамилия Имя / First Name Last name**

**2. Возраст/Age**

**3. Гандикап / НСР**

**4. Название команды/Name of the team**

**5. Участники команды:**

	Фамилия Имя / First Name Last name	НСР
Капитан/Captain		
Игрок 1/Player 1		
Игрок 2/Player 2		

**6. Email**

**7. Телефон/Mobile**

**8. Страна/Country**

**9. Тренировочный раунд /Practice round (ДА/НЕТ, YES/NO)**

**10. Дата и время для тренировочного раунда/ Date and tee time for the practice round**

**11. Гости/Guests\***

Фамилия Имя / First Name Last name
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\* Стоимость участия для гостей 8 000 руб. за чел. The price for the guest is 8000 rubles.



*Если вам нужна помощи в организации трансфера и проживания, пожалуйста, обратитесь/*

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