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## **Innoprom Golf Challenge 2017**

**July 9, 2017**

### **Conditions of the competition**

#### **1. Summary**

1.1. Innoprom Golf Challenge 2017 (the "Tournament") shall be held in accordance with:

- Rules of Golf effective from 2016
- The Local Rules adopted by the Organizing Committee
- This Regulation

#### **2. Purpose and Objectives of the Tournament**

2.1. The Tournament is held in order to:

- Strengthen the external economic relations between Russia and other countries
- Promote the industrial potential of Russia by creating a business platform for the commercial communication and presentation of new projects existing on the industrial market
- Improve the quality and expand the partnership range of Russian industrial representatives with key players in the international market
- Promote and popularize golf in Russia and increase the competitive capacity of this sport in Russia

### **3. Safety**

- 3.1. The Tournament is held at a sports facility compliant with the requirements of the relevant laws and regulations effective in Russia and designed to provide order and safety for both participants and spectators.
- 3.2. During the Tournament, competitors must follow the safety requirements stipulated in the Etiquette section and Rule 6-8 of the Golf Rules.
- 3.3. The responsibility of providing safety for competitors and spectators during the Tournament is borne by:
  - General Director of Pine Creek Golf Resort
  - Chief Referee of the Tournament

### **4. Venue and timing**

- 4.1. The Tournament shall be held on July 9, 2017 (practice day - July 8, 2017).
- 4.2. The Tournament shall be held at Pine Creek Golf Resort.
- 4.3. The detailed Tournament Program shall be published not later than two weeks before the Tournament.

### **5. Tournament organizers**

- 5.1. The organizers of the Tournament are Ural Golf Club LLC and the Golf Management promotion company.
- 5.2. Ural Golf Club LLC and the Golf Management promotion company determine the Tournament conditions provided for in its Regulation, assign the Organizing Committee

### **6. Eligibility and Entry**

- 6.1. The following competitors will be admitted:
  - Citizens of Russia and foreign citizens
  - Men and women
  - Born on July 8, 1996, or earlier
  - Golfers with an exact handicap of 28.0 or less (men), 36.0 or less (women)
  - Professional golfers (one per team, at the special invitation of the organizers)
  - Golfers complying with the Rules of Amateur Status.

Competitors shall be admitted to the Tournament upon the personal invitation of the Organizing Committee. Applications of persons not included in the list of the event competitors can be accepted by the Organizing Committee, but the Committee reserves the right to deny access to anyone lacking an invitation.

Organizing Committee may decide that, certain participants with a handicap of 28.1 or higher (men) and 37 or higher (women) can be admitted to the Tournament on an individual basis as an exception.

6.2. Players must be registered in the Russian Golf Association and have, as of the application date, a relevant (according to RGA requirements) exact handicap complying with the requirements of cl. 6.1.

If the golfer's exact handicap has changed from the moment of application to the Tournament date, the golfer shall inform the Organizing Committee of the current (as of the Tournament date) value of their exact handicap.

If the golfer's exact handicap as of the Tournament date is 28.1 or higher (men) and 37 or higher (women), their handicap allowance is calculated based on the exact handicap value of 28.0 (men) and 36.0 (women).

To be admitted to the Tournament, foreign citizens shall submit confirmation of their handicaps from the appropriate national authority responsible for golf competitions.

6.3. Preliminary applications for competitors in the Tournament are accepted starting April 10, 2017.

6.4. Preliminary applications shall be accepted up to 6 p.m. on June 1, 2017 (Moscow time).

6.5. Preliminary applications received shall pass the consideration stage, upon which the list of players admitted to the Tournament shall be issued. Not later than three days before the Tournament starts, participants shall be informed of their admission individually.

## **7. Organizational matters**

7.1. The cost of participation for a team of three persons (amateurs) totals RUB 1,500,000 (VAT included).

7.2. Competitors of one team (three amateurs) shall submit their application at the same time and pay the registration fee (100%) upon the submission of said application and signing of a sponsorship agreement with Ural Golf Club LLC.

7.3. The registration fee under the agreement with Ural Golf Club LLC shall be paid at the same time.

7.4. Fees are accepted from both legal and individual persons under the sponsorship agreement.

7.5. Tournament participants have the right to:

- Use the changing room
- Use the golf balls on the driving range
- Play a practice round
- Play a competition round
- Use trolleys
- Join the postgame dinner arranged on the course

Caddy services are provided by the Organizing Committee at the preliminary request of the competitor.

7.6. Maximum number of competitors is 72 players (18 groups). When this number of team applications has been reached, further applications received shall be filed in a waiting list.

7.7. Waiting list teams can be included in the Tournament entry list if previously registered teams withdraw. The Organizing Committee specifies the order of precedence on the waiting list on an individual basis.

## **8. Tournament format and decision of ties**

8.1. The Tournament shall be played as a single round of 18 holes.

8.2. Competitors will be allocated to groups by the Committee.

8.3. Based on the results of the draw, each group of three golfers (amateurs) shall have one professional join the group.

8.4. All groups start simultaneously at different holes (shotgun start).

8.5. The Tournament format is Net Birdie, which means that Stableford points are awarded only if a golfer scores on a hole three or more Stableford points (i.e., scores a birdie or better, considering his playing handicap).

Stableford points of professional golfers are calculated without handicap allowance, and the points of amateur golfers are calculated with handicap allowance (see cl. 8.7.).

The winner is the team with the most total points awarded.

8.6. The professional in each group can take one stroke per round (in any part of the course) for each of the three amateurs in their group (1 professional stroke per each 1 amateur).

8.7. Full playing handicaps are calculated according to the standard procedure prescribed by the Handicap System, based on the golfer's exact handicap, gender, course rating, and slope rating.

8.8. Male amateurs play from white tee boxes, female amateurs play from red tee boxes, and male professionals play from the black tee boxes.

8.9. Male professionals also compete individually in the Stroke Play format.

8.10. The winners pot for professionals totals EUR 175,000 and is distributed according to player places in the final standing (separate scoring of professionals). In the event of a tie for the first place, the winner shall be decided on the basis of scores on holes 10-18, 13-18, 16-18, or 18th hole, in that order. If the tie still exists, the better place shall be given to a player whose team has a better score.

8.11. Team places are determined based on the sum of Stableford points scored by the team for 18 holes. In the event of a tie, places will be decided based on the team points on holes 10-18, 13-18, 16-18, or on the 18th hole.

- 8.12. Competitors can use caddies according to Rule 6-4 without any further restrictions.
- 8.13. Players must not ride on any form of transportation during a stipulated round. No exceptions for players with special medical conditions.
- 8.14. For the purposes of pace of play, amateur golfers scoring two or less Stableford points (net) on a hole shall stop playing this hole and lift the ball.
- 8.15. When play is suspended by the Committee for a dangerous situation players must discontinue play immediately and not resume play until Committee has ordered resumption of play. The signal for suspending play due to a dangerous situation will be a prolonged note of the siren; the following signals shall be used:
- To stop the game immediately, one long siren
  - To continue the game, two short repeated sirens

If a player does not discontinue play immediately, he is disqualified. If the Committee decides to evacuate the players until the dangerous situation is resolved, the players shall follow the instructions of the Committee members as well as the evacuation plan approved for the Tournament.

- 8.16. Players may obtain distance information by use of a distance measuring device. If, during a stipulated round, a player uses a distance-measuring device to gauge or measure other conditions that might affect his play (e.g. elevation changes, wind speed, etc.), the player is in breach of Rule 14-3.

## **9. Awarding**

- 9.1. Winners and runner-ups (first and second) in the team event and individual professional event are awarded cups.
- 9.2. The Longest Drive winners (separate for men and women) and Closest to the Pin winners (separate for men and women) are awarded special prizes.
- 9.3. The Organizing Committee has the right to establish additional prizes and awards for Tournament participants who demonstrate some special achievements in according with, in any case, the Rules of Amateur Status.

## **10. The Tournament Organizing Committee**

- 10.1. Should you have any questions regarding Tournament participation, please contact Tournament Director Svetlana Afanasyeva by phone: +7 963 272 34 36 or by e-mail: [Svetlana.afanasieva@pcgc.ru](mailto:Svetlana.afanasieva@pcgc.ru) on weekdays from 10.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m. (Moscow time).