



GAUTENG NORTH GOLF UNION



TOURNAMENT RISK MITIGATION PROCEDURE

Conditions of Entry	Participation to be subject to agreement and implementation of SA Government Regulations / Directions, GolfRSA Good Golf Practice Guidelines and the host facility's Risk Mitigation Plan (RMP) and this Tournament Risk Mitigation Procedure (TRMP).
Entry and Payment	Entries are online at www.gngu.co.za . It is the responsibility of the player to ensure that their entry has been successful and the payment has been received. Closing date for entries can be found on the sign up page for the relevant tournament. No cash will be accepted.
Cancellations & Withdrawals	Please note, any cancellations / withdrawals prior to the tournament will be charged a R 30 cancellation fee. Withdrawals within 48 hours of the tournament will forfeit the full entry fee. The only exception is that if a player has any of the Covid-19 symptoms on the morning before play, or at any time leading up to the event, he or she is obliged to inform the Union and withdraw from the event. This provision also applies to anyone who has been in close contact with someone who has tested positive for Covid-19, or is exhibiting Covid-19 symptoms. In these specific instances the Union will refund the entire entry fee.
Covid -19 Screening	<p>All players, caddies and tournament staff to be scanned at Waterkloof Golf Club. Once screened a sticker will be given to indicate screening was done. Should a player display serious symptoms or have not been symptom free for 10 days prior to start he/ she will be removed from the club to ensure the safety of all players, caddies and tournament/ club staff.</p> <p>All persons accessing the facilities must divulge their Covid-19 status / honest account of symptoms at the screening station and subject themselves to sanitation and temperature screening as required (this could possibly be done on multiple occasions on site). Those with visible Covid-19 related symptoms or an elevated temperature of 38°C or more will not be allowed access to the venue and participants will immediately be withdrawn from the tournament.</p> <p>In terms of the Government Covid-19 Regulations, it is a criminal offence to withhold information or providing false information about your Covid-19 status.</p>
Registration	Players to register on Sunday 31 January 2021. Face masks and social distancing are to be maintained.
Social Distancing & Wearing of masks	<p>Although the sport of golf and thus the course itself provides suitable opportunity to ensure physical distancing, it is recognized that human nature is one of camaraderie and social interaction. Players/caddies are however reminded that these National Ranked / WAGR tournaments take place under the auspices of Provincial Unions whom are responsible for the implementation and monitoring of Risk Mitigation Guidelines and National Regulations and to assist with this, all attendees are required to comply with these requirements. In this regard it is recommended that;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Players be advised not to arrive at the venue too early (at most 1 hour prior to play)• Practice areas are setup in accordance with the GolfRSA Risk Mitigation Guidelines relative to physical distancing and that Organising Committees ensure that the number of players on practice putting greens and other more contained spaces are limited to comply with physical distancing requirements.• On the tee, only the match that is "next to play" will be permitted and subsequent groups (participants and caddies) must wait at a safe distance until it is their turn on the tee.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If it is decided that the “Germ24” application will be done on the tee, it is a requirement that all players and caddies report to the tee for the product to be administered. (caddies may not proceed down the fairway until this process has been completed) • All players, staff and caddies arriving on site must wear masks. The masks must be worn at all times inside and around the Clubhouse and practice facilities, given the congregation of persons in these areas. • Players and Caddies may remove masks on the golf course during their rounds, but if physical (social) distancing of at least 3 meters and in windy conditions (ie. >24km) at least 5m cannot be maintained on the course, players are advised to wear their masks. Before and after the round, the player must wear his/her face mask when entering the clubhouse or score recording area and when unable to maintain physical distancing of more than 3m. Before and after the round, caddies must wear masks when entering the facility and when unable to maintain physical distancing of more than 3m.
Flagsticks	<p>Flagsticks will be allowed to be removed in the tournament.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All pin flags and holes MUST be treated with the application of Zoono prior to the start of each round. This product must be re-applied daily prior to play (this application is to include the flag pole / flag and inside of the “cup”). • ALL Players and Caddies must have the Germ24 product applied to their hands prior to the start of play (on the tee box prior to teeing off).
Bunkers	Rakes will be treated with the application of Zoono prior to the start of each round.
Scoring & Markers	Players are not to exchange scorecards. Each player will be designated a marker. Who will verify the players scores at score recording. No Co-signing of scorecards. Players are to deposit scorecards after the round into a box provided.
Food & Beverage	<p>All players/ caddies and tournament staff are to comply with the Rules and Requirements related to the catering facility and areas (including lounge areas) within the clubhouse and club grounds. Although these facilities may cater for sit-down meals, it is recommended however that player and caddie food and beverages be purchased on take away basis only, in order to avoid the congregation of persons in the clubhouse.</p> <p>All drinking fountains on the courses will be closed and players and caddies are advised to purchase their own bottled drinks and take enough with them on the course for hydration needs.</p> <p>The disposal of litter / food and beverage containers must be disposed of in a safe and tidy manner which may require such items to be carried from the course by the player/caddie and disposed of at the club house.</p>
Locker rooms	Locker rooms may be subject to regular sanitizing of the facilities, wearing of face covering/ masks, physical distancing of 1.5m, those showering to bring their own towels and compliance with the SA Government Regulations and Directions and specifically paragraphs 6l (6), (7) and (8) of the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture Directions gazette No 43667 published on 28 August 2020.
Prize Giving	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A small Prizegiving ceremony is to take place post the final round. Prizes will be sanitized prior to the ceremony and winners will pick them up from prizegiving table. • Any photos taken which can be associated with the tournament (pre / post round or during play) and displayed or shared comply with the applicable National Regulations and GolfRSA Risk Mitigation Guidelines. Photographs of prize winners shall be taken either individually (where the player may remove their mask provided, they observe physical distancing of 3m or more) OR for group photos (two or more people) either wearing a mask or maintaining physical distance of 3m or more. (Photos should not include any signs of physical touching e.g. Shaking hands)

Transportation	<p>Players must walk at all times during a stipulated round, unless permitted to be transported on a golf cart by an appointed Rules Official or a member of the Tournament Committee.</p> <p>Golf Carts are to be sanitized as per the Clubs RMP.</p>
Caddies	<p>Local, Guest and Permanent Caddies will be permitted. All Caddies are subject to screening at the entrance of the facility.</p> <p>All persons accessing the facilities must divulge their Covid-19 status / give an honest account of symptoms at the screening station and subject themselves to sanitation and temperature screening as required (this could possibly be done on multiple occasions on site). Those with visible Covid-19 related symptoms or an elevated temperature of 38°C or more will not be allowed access to the venue and participants will immediately be withdrawn from the tournament.</p> <p>In terms of the Government Covid-19 Regulations, it is a criminal offence to withhold information or providing false information about your Covid-19 status.</p>
Spectators	Subject to SA Government Regulations. No Spectators – updated 26 January 2021
Exemption of Liability	<p>The Gauteng North Golf Union, its Executive and its staff will not be held responsible for any damages, loss, including personal loss and or other forms of loss, harm or injury sustained as stipulated below:</p> <p>Physical and/or emotional injuries suffered by any person, including a player or spectator, during the tournament, due to any act of God, suffered as a direct result thereof, including aspects such as being struck by lightning, etc. Physical injuries of any kind suffered by any person, including a player or spectator, sustained by own negligence, or otherwise.</p> <p>Emotional injuries sustained due to any loss, including death, suffered as a result of any of the above injuries sustained personally or by a spectator. Damages suffered to any property of a player or spectator.</p>