



## **TOUR REGULATIONS** **SANTANDER GOLF TOUR 2017**

This document has been created and approved by the Royal Spanish Golf Federation and La Nuez, the organiser and promoter of the circuit.

These general rules will cover:

- A.-** Tour committee.
- B.-** Condition of tour member.
- C.-** Tour administration and organisation.
- D.-** Conditions and Rules of the competition

### **DEFINITIONS**

**Tour tournaments**, refers to the tournaments approved by the tour committee that include official money and which count towards the tour Order of Merit.

**Order of Merit Ranking**, refers to the list that includes all the tour members according to the official money earned in each season from the tour tournaments.

**Order of Merit Ranking**, refers to a list that includes all the members of the tour according to the official money they have won in each season in tour tournaments.

### **A.- TOUR COMMITTEE**

The Tour Committee has the power to control the tour and to ensure that these general regulations are applied.

The Tour Committee is composed of:

- A representative of the RFEG.
- A representative of the players.
- A representative of La Nuez.

## **B.- PARTICIPANTS**

All women with a professional license or a certificate from the PGA of their country will be eligible to play the circuit.

In order to be a part of the Tour Order of Merit the player must have taken part in a minimum of two tournaments.

Amateur players with a handicap equal to or lower than 4.4 (Category 1) may also participate as guests without the option to win prize money. Professional players without a professional license may also play without the option to win prize money

Any professional and amateur player who does not have a professional license will have no right to win prize money.

## **C.- ADMINISTRATION AND CONDUCT OF THE TOUR**

### **1. Rights to play the tournaments**

The number of participants in each tournament will be around 40 players, professional and amateurs.

In the case that the number of applicants exceeds the tournament limit priority will be given to the following categories and in the following order:

- ✓ 50% RFEG and promoter invitations.
- ✓ 25% players from the 2016 RFEG OM.
- ✓ 25% players from the 2016 LET ranking.

### **2. Registration procedure**

#### **(a) Method of Registration**

The professional players who wish to participate in a tournament shall send an email requesting her registration to:  
[inscripciones@santandertour.golf](mailto:inscripciones@santandertour.golf).

The amateur players who wish to participate shall send their request to the RFEG who shall register them if appropriate.

#### **(b) Confirmation of Registration**

Once the player registered, she will receive an e-mail in which the registration for the tournament is confirmed.

The player shall be responsible for receiving this confirmation and for presenting it if she appeals.

**(c) Entry closing date**

Entries must be received by La Nuez (organiser) no later than the closing date indicated on the tournament information sheet.

**(d) Entry Fee**

The entry fee for each tournament shall be paid when registering.  
**There is no entry fee for the tour.**

**3. Withdrawals**

Registration withdrawals shall be sent to the promoter by mail to: [inscripciones@santandertour.golf](mailto:inscripciones@santandertour.golf)

The Tour Committee will decide on how to proceed in the case of a withdrawal after the closing date.

**4. Registration**

All the players are required to register **personally** in the tournament office before 18.00 hours on the day before the Pro-Am takes place.

**5. Format**

As a general rule tournaments will be held over 36 holes Stroke Play, in consecutive rounds of 18 holes per day.

**The players first day result is equal or higher than 16 score they can't play second round, except that the Committee considers the opposite in extraordinary cases.**

In each tournament a Pro-Am will take place on the day prior to the competition, which is mandatory for all players. Those players who do not play will not be paid the prize money obtained in the tournament itself.

The tournament committee shall decide the play-off system for the winner of the tournament.

The Committee may reduce the stipulated round to a determined number of holes, prior to the round starting, in the case of force majeure or weather conditions.

**6. Prize money and payment**

The prize money for each tournament will be 18,000 € + IVA. The Tour Committee shall decide the prize breakdown for each event. The tournament information sheet shall include the breakdown for each tournament.

Amateur players shall compete without the right to receive prize money. Only players with a professional license can collect prize money.

In order to collect the prize the player shall send an invoice by post or by email to [amaya@santandertour.golf](mailto:amaya@santandertour.golf). The prize will be paid 30 days after the invoice is received.

In case that can't be played last round reasons beyond Promoter and that means economic prejudice for LA NUEZ PRODUCCIONES AUDIOVISUALES S.L., be established:

a)- If it couldn't be played none hole, It will be provide the players an economic compensation of 200 € to the first round top 15 ranked.

b)- If all the players can paly 9 holes will be established a ranking adding the 18 holes results of the before round/s and the last round 9 holes. According to this final ranking will be presented the trophies and the prize money with a 50% reduction of prize money.

## **7. Tour local rules**

The tournaments will be played in accordance with the:

- Rules of Golf as approved by the RFEG
- The RFEG's Permanent Local Rules and,
- The specific local rules.

## **8. Etiquette**

If a player or her caddy breaks the following etiquette rules or the dress rules established below, the player or her caddy will be fined as determined by the Committee or shall receive a two stroke penalty in accordance with Rule 33-7:

- (a) Not repairing a pitch mark on the green.
- (b) Not raking the bunkers.
- (c) Damaging the course.
- (d) Inappropriate dress in the opinion of the Tour Committee.
- (e) Caddy bibs are mandatory with the exception of contractual prohibition for public image purposes.
- (f) Not letting the group behind play through while waiting for a referee.
- (g) Lack of courtesy anywhere on the golf course facilities.
- (h) Using the mobile phone on the golf course.
- (i) Unsporting behaviour

- (j) Caddies may not use spikes. The organisation may decide to establish a local rule to the effect if the course conditions so warrant.

## **9. Modification of Regulations**

The Tour Committee has the right to modify these regulations if they consider it is appropriate for the improvement of the tour.