

# 2024 Northern Luzon Regional Golf Championship – 1st Leg

Pinewoods Golf & Country Club June 3–5, 2024 (Monday to Wednesday)









Organized and conducted by the National Golf Association of the Philippines

#### TERMS OF COMPETITION

#### **GENERAL**

The 2024 Northern Luzon Regional Golf Championship – 1<sup>st</sup> Leg will be played at Pinewoods Golf & Country Club from June 3–5, 2024 in accordance with the Rules of Golf (effective January 2024) as approved by the R&A Rules Limited and with the Local Rules approved by the OC.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- A. Men's Elite Amateur open to male amateur golfers with WHS handicap index of 9.9 and below
- B. Ladies' Elite Amateur open to female amateur golfers with WHS handicap index of **9.9 and below**
- C. Mid-Amateur Division open to male and female golfers 30-54 years old as of June 5, 2024 with maximum handicap index of **18.0**
- D. Senior Division open to male golfers 55 years old & above as of June 3, 2024 with WHS handicap index of <a href="18.0">18.0</a> and <a href="percentage-">below</a>

\*All WHS handicaps to be used will be as of May 15, 2024

#### **FORMAT OF PLAY / SCHEDULE**

## A. Elite Amateur Divisions - June 3-5 (Mon-Wed) - 3 days

- The Elite Division (Men's & Ladies) shall be gross stroke play competition over 54 holes using the Gold tees for men and White tees for ladies.
- o There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes, top 15 and ties for men's and 12 and ties for ladies will advance.
- The Champion of each division shall be awarded with trophies. 1st Runners-up and 2nd Runners-up will also receive awards.
- Players scoring 95 on any round will be cut from the remaining round/s.

## B. Mid-Amateur Division – June 3–5 (Mon-Wed) – 3 days

- The Mid-Amateur Division shall be gross stroke play competition over 54 holes using the Blue tees for the men and Red tees for the ladies.
- o There shall be a cut-off after 36 holes, top 12 and ties will advance.
- The Champion shall be awarded with trophies. 1<sup>st</sup> Runners-up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners-up will also receive awards.

## C. Senior Division – June 4–5 (Tues-Wed) – 2 days

- o The Senior Division shall be gross stroke play competition over 36 holes using the White tees.
- The Champion shall be awarded with trophies. 1<sup>st</sup> Runners-up and 2<sup>nd</sup> Runners-up will also receive awards.

#### **ENTRY**

- A. Entry Application must be made via google form link: bit.ly/2024\_NLuzonRegional\_1stLeg
  - a. Application is open until May 27, 2024
- B. Once your slot in the tournament is confirmed via email after entries close, the entry fee shall be paid via bank transfer.
- C. Entry fees are as follows:

	Elite Amateur	Mid-Amateur	Senior Division
Filipino Citizens	Php 4,000	Php 4,000	Php 2,500
Foreign Citizens	Php 5,000	Php 5,000	Php 3,500

<sup>\*</sup>Entry Fees do not cover caddies, golf carts and incidentals.

- D. In general, entries will be based on the entrants with the Lowest Handicap Index.
- E. Confirmed entries, must pay entry fee by **May 27, 2024**. Failure to do so will result in loss of slot in tournament and will not be included in pairings.
- F. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the Organizing Committee.
- G. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to limit, accept or reject any entry without assigning any reason whatsoever.

#### SIZE OF FIELD

- A. Maximum field size will be 120 players.
- B. In the event that entries fall short or exceed of the aforesaid respective numbers, the Committee reserves the right to amend the distribution or eligibility requirements as they deem fit.

## WIDTHRAWAL/CANCELLATION/NO SHOWS

- A. Any withdrawal or cancelation must be made before **May 30, 2024** (Thursday) as there will be NO refund of the Entry Fee after this date.
- B. Strict **NO SHOW POLICY** will be enforced.
  - a. Any player confirmed for the event who fails to show up without giving prior notice will automatically be suspended for the next NGAP sanctioned event.
  - b. Any player with two (2) no shows within a twelve (12) month period will be suspended from all NGAP events for the next twelve (12) months.
- C. If a player must withdraw due to injury or illness during competition proper, they must inform any rules official on course and send any form of notification to tournament office.
- D. Habitual Withdrawal/Cancellation/No Card/No show will be review by Tournament committee and proper suspensions may be handed out.

## **WINNERS and PRIZES**

Trophies will be awarded to the following per division:

Champion

1<sup>st</sup> runner-up

2nd runner-up

### PRACTICE ROUND

- A. Players will be allowed one (1) free practice round on **June 2**, **Sunday** provided they have registered and paid their entry fee.
- B. Additional practice rounds can be arranged with Pinewoods Golf & Country Club, and the corresponding green fee is paid. You may contact 09661725116 for tee time reservation.

#### **DRAW/PAIRINGS**

- A. The Draw/Pairings for the First and Second Rounds will be made by the Organizing Committee before the start of the Championship.
- B. The Draw/Pairings for the Third and Final rounds will be based on scores of the previous Rounds.

#### TIME OF STARTING

- A. Players shall start at the time and order indicated in the DRAW. No substitution of players and changes of starting time shall be allowed after the DRAW has been made.
- B. The organizing committee reserves the right to change and alter the starting times without giving any reason.

#### SUBMISSION of SCORECARD

- A. Players must check their cards in the Scoring Office and ensure that their scores are correct and be signed by their markers. Any doubtful point should be settled with the Organizing Committee before returning the Scorecard.
- B. Scorecard is deemed officially submitted once the player has left the scoring room (area).

#### **DECISION OF TIES**

- A. In the event of a tie or ties for the First place, the Champion shall be decided by a hole-by-hole play-off starting at Hole #1 until a winner is determined. Play-off will be used to determine the Champion only.
- B. All other ties will be decided by count back in the following order:
  - o Last 18 holes (1st-18th).
  - o Last 9 holes (10th-18th).
  - Last 6 holes (13th-18th)
  - Last 3 holes (16th-18th)
  - Last hole (18th)

#### SUSPENSION OF PLAY FOR DANGEROUS SITUATION.

- A. A suspension of play for a dangerous situation and the resumption of play shall be signaled using the host club's warning system.
- B. All open practice areas shall be closed during suspension for a dangerous situation until the Organizing Committee has declared them open. Players who do not heed will be subject to disqualification.

### **USE OF DISTANCE MEASURING DEVICE.**

- A. For this Championship, a player 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 4.3 for which the penalty is for disqualification.
- B. The use of rangefinders with wind and slope corrections are not permitted.

### **USE OF CADDIE & MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION**

- A. The club has sufficient caddies and players in all divisions must use the club's caddies.
  - Caddie Fee: P600.00 minimum (tips are encouraged)
- B. Motorized transportation is required in all Divisions.
  - Golf Cart: P600 twin sharing & P1,100 solo

## **ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

- A. Use of electronic devices must be kept to a minimum.
- B. Mobile Phones may be used to call organizing committee for rulings.
- C. Mobile phones may be used as range finders as long as DMD restrictions above are adhered to.
- D. Phones may not be used for calls and/or entertainment in the field of play during the stipulated round.
- E. Any device to play music or similar audio or entertainment will not be permitted.

1 offense Player will be warned by the referee.

2 offense Penalty of one (1) Stroke

3 offense Further penalty of two (2) strokes.

4 offense Disqualification.

## **INSURANCE & MISCELLANEOUS FEES**

All players are required to pay the golf insurance and miscellaneous fees required by Pinewoods Golf & Country Club.

#### **PACE OF PLAY**

- A. Each hole has been given a maximum completion time based upon the length and difficulty of the Hole. The maximum allotted time for completion of 18 holes will be available prior to the round.
- B. The maximum allowed time allocated per shot is 40 seconds. The timing will start when the player has had sufficient time to reach his ball, it is his turn to play and he is able to play without interference or distraction.
- C. Penalty for Breach of Condition

1 bad time. Player will be warned by the referee and told that further bad will be subject to penalty

2 bad time. Penalty of one (1) Stroke

3 bad time. Further penalty of two (2) strokes

4 bad time. Disqualification

## **TOURNAMENT RULES OFFICIALS/REFEREES**

The Tournament Rules Officials/Referees' decision on all matters pertaining to the Rules of Golf is final.

#### **COMPETITION CLOSED**

When the prizes are presented to the winners, the results of the competition are deemed officially announced and the competition is closed.

#### STANDARDS OF PLAYER CONDUCT (Rule 1-2)

All players ARE EXPECTED TO PLAY IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME. There is no penalty under the Rules for failing to act accordingly, except that the Organizing Committee may disqualify a player for acting contrary to the spirit of the if it is established that the player has committed serious misconduct.

The following may be considered as serious breach of PLAYER CONDUCT

- Verbal abuse to a fellow competitor/official/staff.
- o Intentionally distracting or offending fellow competitor.
- o Causing unnecessary damage to the course or club property.
- Any other action which may be considered to be breach of player conduct.

ANY BREACH of Player Conduct is subject to disqualification penalty.

#### SPECTATORS/COACHES/PARENTS

- A. Spectators, coaches, and parents are allowed but must rent a golf cart from the golf club.
- B. Carts will be on a first come first serve basis, and subject to availability of carts. Members and players in tournament will be prioritized in cart assignment.
- C. All spectators must remain on the cart path at all times. They must stay off the tees, general areas, putting greens, bunkers and penalty areas. They are allowed to use golf carts if course permits.
- D. They should maintain a reasonable distance from the players to avoid the impression that they are giving advice or assisting the player in any way. They may approach the player for a moment to give clothing, food or beverage but should not have prolonged contact.
- E. Those found to be violating these policies may be asked to leave the COURSE.

## **INQUIRIES**

Please do not hesitate to contact the National Golf Association of the Philippines (NGAP).

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THE ORGANIZING COMMITTEE RESERVES THE RIGHT TO AMEND ANY OF THE CONDITIONS.