



«White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament 2026»

POLICY

Black & White

2026

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 27th 2026 until June 28th 2026.**
- 2.3. Registration till 12 pm. 24.06.2026.**
- 2.4. Life scoring will be provided using the Golf Genius app.
- 2.5. Participation fee (24hrs format):
Men/Women: 40 000 rubles per person.
Cost includes: 24hrs of golf, half way snack, Food & Beverage during tournament all incl., banquet and prize ceremony.
Guests fee (2 days): 25 000 rub per person, children over 12 years old – 15 000 rub per person, children under 11 years old – 7 500 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 an amateur 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). Women teams are allowed. The main tournament standings include Men and Mixed teams. In additional tournament participated only Women teams.
- 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 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. The last handicap value should be renewed after 27.06.2026. If the handicap is not active, or renewed before 24.06.2026 it will be considered as 0.0 handicap.
 - Professionals is not aloud.
 - Members of national teams is not aloud.
- 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 27th 2026 at 11 am and will finish on June 28th 2026 at 2 pm.
- 5.2. The organizers of the competition recommend that all players use luminous balls from 12.30 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 11 pm until 12.30 am on June 28th 2026.

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 two rounds of 9 holes, after 2 rounds of 27 holes and 1 round of 9 holes (72 holes in total per 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 Greensome format with 30% of the team's total handicap.***

Each player performs a tee kick on each hole with his own ball, then the players choose the ball with the best position, the rest of the balls are lifted. The team Captain determines which of the players of the team, whose ball was not selected, will take the next (second) hit, the next (third) hit is made by the second of the players whose ball was not selected after hitting the teeing court. Further, the players make strikes in the same order. The player whose ball was selected, then the player who hit the second, then the player who hit the third on that hole. If the team does not score stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up the ball and move to the next hole (for example, par 4 - 8 strokes, par 3 - 6 strokes, par 5 - 9 strokes)

6.1.2. The start of the first round from the 1st to the 10th hole will be from 11:30 am – 02:30 pm on June 27th 2026.

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

For every 9 holes in a round, each team is represented by only two team players. Each group is played by two participants from two teams. Each player plays with his own ball. The result of a team is made up of the points scored by all team members. If a team player does not score stableford points on the hole, then the player must pick up the ball and not finish the hole (for example, for par 4 - 8 strokes, for par 3 - 6 strokes, for par 5 - 9 strokes)

6.1.4. The start of the second round is on June 27th 2026.

02:30 pm – 05:30 pm Captain + Player 2 (9 holes)

05:30 pm – 08:30 pm Player 1 + Player 2 (9 holes)

08:30 pm – 11 pm Captain + Player 1 (9 holes)

6.1.5 For the third round of 27 holes, the team plays in Foreball format with a handicap taken into account.

Points are scored in accordance with the Stableford system. Each player plays his own ball. On each hole, the player with the best score on that hole will be used to calculate the team's overall score. If a player does not score any Stableford points on a hole, they must pick up their ball and not finish the hole (e.g. on a par 4 – 8 strokes, on a par 3 – 6 strokes and on a par 5 – 9 strokes)

6.1.5. The start of the third round from the 1st to the 10th hole is on June 28th, 2026:

12.30 am-03.30 am Captain + Player 2 (9 holes) - **ShotGun**

03.30 am-06.30 am Player 1 + Player 2 (9 holes)

06.30 am-09.30 am Captain + Player 1 (9 holes)

6.1.6. In the third round, if one of the players does not appear at the start, then he can be replaced by another player of the team with the obligatory notification of this to the Jury of the competition.

6.1.7. **The fourth round of 9 holes the team (3 people) plays in the Greens Stableford format, taking into account 30% of the team's total playing handicap.** Each player performs a tee kick on each hole with his own ball, then the players choose the ball with the best position, the rest of the balls are lifted. The team captain determines which of the players of the team, whose ball was not selected, will take the next (second) hit, the next (third) hit is made by the second of the players whose ball was not selected after hitting the teeing court. Further, the players make strikes in the same order. The player whose ball was selected, then the player who hit the second, then the player who hit the third on that hole. If the team does not score stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up the ball and move to the next hole (for example, par 4 - 8 strokes, par 3 - 6 strokes, par 5 - 9 strokes). In the event that one team member did not appear at the start of the fourth round, the team has the right to play with a squad of two players, but in this case, to determine the team's result on the hole, 20% of the total playing handicap of the players is taken into account. Each player performs a tee kick on each hole with his own ball, then the players choose the ball with the best position, the second ball is lifted. The player whose ball was not selected makes the second hit, then the players take turns. The player whose ball was selected takes all odd strokes, and the player whose ball was not selected all the even strokes on the given hole. If the team does not score stableford points on the hole, then the players must pick up the ball and move to the next hole (for example, par 4 - 8 strokes, par 3 - 6 strokes, par 5 - 9 strokes)

6.1.8. Start of the fourth round from 1 and 10 holes 09.30 am -12.30 pm June 28th 2026

6.1.9. *Additional nominations:*

- Longest Drive: Hole 6
 - Closest to the Pin: Hole 8
- Quantity of tries is unlimited
Men & Women nomination separate.

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 field of play on foot 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.
- 7.13. The use of lifescoring is **mandatory**. Each team must enter own results with a delay of no more than 3 holes. The referee community aloud to establish the following fines for violating the rules of lifescoring:
- 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;

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 2026", and also have the right to participate in the GORKI White Nights 24 hours Golf Tournament 2027 free of charge.
- 9.2. The winners who took 1st place in the “main” 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 2nd and 3rd places are awarded with valuable prizes and gifts.
- 9.4. Main group participate Men and Mixed teams. Additional group participated only women teams.

10. Applications for participation

- 10.1. Preliminary applications should be sent to GORKI Golf Resort e-mail address: 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 24^h 2026, 6 pm Moscow time.
- 10.4. Registration for those that have been admitted is to be held at the venue itself from 09 am – 10 am (Moscow time) on 27th June 2026.

**ЗАЯВОЧНАЯ ФОРМА/APPLICATION FORM
GORKI WHITE NIGHTS TOURNAMENT 24 HRS 2026**

1. Фамилия Имя / First Name Last name

2. Возраст/Age

3. Гандикап / HCP

4. Название команды/Name of the team

5. Участники команды:

	Фамилия Имя / First Name Last name	HCP
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

* Стоимость участия для гостей 25 000 руб. за чел. The price for the guest is 25 000 rubles.

***Please pay attention! After entry form has been submitted, the order of players cannot be changed!**

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

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