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ART.1 THE TOURNAMENT

The Golf Amateurs Open Milano (GAO Milano) 2021 is a special event open to all italian and foreign amateur players, regularly affiliated to their home country golf federation, holders of a regular handicap and with no pending issues with the sport court in their home country.

GAO Milano is played in respect of "R&A Rules Limited" adopted by Federazione Italiana Golf and under local rules issued by the hosting golf course.

ART.2 FORMULA DI GARA.

1.1 **Golf Amateurs Open Milano** will be played on thursday 5th and friday 6th of august 2021.

5th august, first round: (18 holes) **Golf Club Monticello blue course** 6th august, second round: (18 holes **Golf Club Monticello red course**

1.2 The tournament is played 36 holes, **Maximum Score Net**; Maximum Score is a stroke play format that allow a maximum score on each hole, for player or team. GAO MILANO allows a maximum of 4 strokes over par on each hole.

1.3 Player's score on each hole.

Player's score on each hole will be based on stroke number (penalties included) with the only exception that a maximum number of strokes will be applied. Even a player doesn't finishing an hole will be assigned the maximum score for that hole. In order to avoid slow play, players will be encouraged to stop playing the hole when the maximum number of strokes allowed has been reached. The hole will be considered as finished when the player holes it, decide not to conclude the hole or reach the maximum score for that hole.

Players who overcome the maximum score or don't finish the hole will be asked to fill the following score:

Par three holes: **7** Par four holes: **8** Par five holes: **9**

- If Hole Is Completed by Holing Out.
 - <u>When Score Is Lower Than Maximum</u>. The scorecard must show the actual score.
 - <u>When Score Is Same as or Higher Than Maximum</u>. The scorecard must show either no score or any score at or above the maximum.
- <u>If Hole Is Completed Without Holing Out</u>. If the player does not hole out under the Rules, the scorecard must show either no score or any score at or above the maximum.

The Committee is responsible for adjusting the player's score to the maximum for any hole where the scorecard shows either no score or any score above the maximum and, in a handicap competition, for applying handicap strokes to the score entered for each hole

1.4 GAO rankings will be calculated considering 6 handicap index brackets: up to 5,4; from 5,5 to 10,4; from 10,5 to 15,4; from 15,5 to 20,4; from 20,5 to 25,4; from 25,5 to 36 (capped)

1.5 Prizes:

GAO 36 Holes

First three net scores in each bracket

Day prizes: first net score in each bracket. First Lady net score and First Gross overall score.

1.6 In case of a tie, R&A and Federazione Italiana Golf rules will be applied.

ART.3 APPLICATION

2.1 Application fee is determined in **€199**

Application fee will be reduced at € 180 for players holding a Wegolfers Tour Membership or UP Tour Series tour membership

Players holding both membership will be charged a special application fee of € 165.

2.2 Applications for GAO Milano can be sumbitted until 12pm (midnight) on friday july 30th 2021.

- 2.5 Applications can be made on tournament website <u>www.amateursopen.com or on www.upseries.it;</u> <u>subscriptions details are availble on both website.</u>
- 2.6 Foreign Golf Federations Players Players not affiliated to Federazione Italiana Golf will be requested to provide their own federation handicap certitication within the application. The same certification must be provided at tournament welcome desk, eventually updated, on first competition day.

2.7 **Overbooking and waiting list:**

In case of applications exceeding the allowed maximum number (ref. Art.5), the Entry List will be determined considering application date; any application will be considered fulfilled after after the payment of the whole application fee. Overbooking applicants will be inserted in a waiting list. Tournament Committee has the power to increase the maximum number of players admitted to the tournament should conditions occur.

2.8 No application fee will be refunded except for cancellations made within application day limit (ref Art 2.2)

2.9 All applications are to be intended as subject to GAO Committee approval. GAO Committee has the power to refuse any application under its sole discretion and with the decision to be considered as unappealable.

ART.4 CANCELLATION POLICY

- 3.1 All cancellations are to be sent by mail to <u>info@wegolfers.com or info@upseries.it until the application</u> <u>day limit.</u>
- 3.2 Cancellations following the application day limit are to be sent by mail at <u>info@wegolfers.com</u> or by phone at +39 392 0057253

According to GAO Milano policy, application fee refunding will be allowed only under Art. 2.8, 2.9 or in case of cancellation of the whole tournament under major force circumstances.

ART.5 APPLICATIONS NUMBER LIMIT

The maximum number of participants to GAO Milano is set at 140, without sigle bracket limit. Tournament Committee has the power to increase the maximum number of players admitted to the tournament should conditions occur.

ART.6 DRESS CODE

Players of GAO Milano are requested to adopt a dress code compliant with golf etiquette and rules adopted by the hosting course. Particularly, during competition days the use of shorts, jeans and t-shirt is not allowed.

The event official dinner dress code is "smart casual".

ART.7 TOURNAMENT CHECK IN

On first competition day participants must check in at tournament welcome desk before tee time. Avoiding check in procedure will cause the automatic exclusion of the player from the whole tournament.

ART.8 PRACTICE ROUND

Players admitted to GAO Milano can practice competitions courses being charged a special fee (EUR 50). Practice rounds are available in the three days before the event and can be booked by mail at <u>info@wegolfers.com</u> or by phone at +39 392 0057253.

ART.9 CADDIES AND E-TROLLEY

11.1 Caddies are allowed during competition days

11.2 E-Trolley and Golf Car are allowed and must be booked in advance directly with the hosting course reception desk. The use of golf carts are strictly reserved to players of GAO Milano.

ART.10 COVID PROCEDURE

Players must wear face mask in every circumstances regulated by rules in force on competition days.

Reference is to be made to safety rules determined by FIG COVID-19 Committee

ART.11 RECORDING AREA

GAO Milano official Recording Area will be available close to the cloub house of the hosting course and will be properly indicated. Players score check at the presence of GAO Committee members in the Recording Area is **MANDATORY**. Players must reach the Recording Area with no delay after the conclusion of the round. The score will be considered as official after control and signature by players and after the player left the Recording Area.

ART.12 TOURNAMENT COMMITTEE

A Tournament Committee is in place and Cristiano Carraroli (Underpar), Marco Foi and Valentina De Simoni (Nextgolf) are the committee members. Tournament Commitee has the power to adopt any change to the tournament rules with the purpose to better the expericence for all participants.