

# OFFICIAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

THIS TOURNAMENT IS PART OF THE X-CUP NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES. **EARN POINTS. BECOME THE NATIONAL CHAMPION. WIN A GOLF TRIP TO PINEHURST.** 

### **TOURNAMENT OUTLINE**

#### **Tournament Dates**

- Competition Round: December 17th, 2023 January 21st, 2024.
- Final Round: January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024 January 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024.
- Playoff (if necessary): January 28th, 2024.

#### **Tournament Format**

- 2 Rounds of Competitive Play.
- Individual Stroke Play.
- 36 Holes, Cut After 18.

# **Tournament Scoring**

Gross & Net Leaderboards.

## 18 - Hole Competition Round

• Men: Blue Tees

Women: Red Tees.

Seniors: White Tees.

- Course: Raon River.
- Simulator Time Recommended: 2 Hours.
- Cut Line: Refer to the Next Page for Cut Line Details.

# PRIZING (FOR NET AND GROSS FLIGHTS)

- Total Prize Pool is \$3,000.
  - 1st Place will receive \$750
  - 2nd Place will receive \$500
  - 3rd Place will receive \$250

### 18 - Hole Final Round

• Men: Blue Tees.

Women: Red Tees.
Seniors: White Tees.

- Course: Varon Country Club.
- Simulator Time Recommended: 2 Hours.
- Winners: Lowest 36-hole GROSS & NET Total Score will be Declared the Winners.

#### **WHO CAN PLAY**

- This is a Individual Event.
- Open to all customers of X-Golf venues and to golfers of all levels age 21 years and older. X-Golf Employees, Contractors, and Staff are excluded, and are not permitted to participate.
- When competing, Participating Players must have and use their own X-Golf Mobile App. Download the X-Golf Mobile App from either the Apple iOS Store or Google Play Store and establish your account prior to competitive play.
- For Participating Players with more than one X-Golf Mobile App, the profile with the lowest Handicap Index will be used for scoring for NET Tournament and Events.

## **ENTRY / REGISTRATION**

- Players must register and schedule playing time with their home store General Manager, X-Golf Professional or X-League Coordinator, and may register to play any time before or during the Competition Round.
- When registering the Player must submit his/her (1) Name, and (2) email address associated with his/her X-Golf Mobile App Profile.
- Players may enter multiple times during the Competition Round. Only the Player's best round will be considered for advancement.
- Individuals advancing to the Final Round must play for themselves Substitutions are not allowed. Final Round qualifiers are limited to one attempt.

#### **EVENT FEES**

- There is no fee for this event.
- Participants pay simulator rental fees for the Competition Round and Final Round.
- The venue will cover costs for any Play-off rounds.

### **MAKING THE CUT**

- Top 25 GROSS scores + ties + individuals within 5 strokes of the lead will be eligible to compete in the GROSS Flight Final Round.
  - Top 12 + ties Players must play in GROSS Flight Final Round.
- Top 25 NET scores (less players ineligible due to Top 12 GROSS score) + ties + individuals within 5 strokes of the lead will be eligible to compete in the NET Flight Final Round.
  - If less than 25 Players are within 5 strokes of the NET leader, then only those players will be eligible for the NET Final Round (Exception: If NET leader is ahead by more than 1 stroke, then Top 12 players + ties will be eligible to complete in the Final Round if not already eligible via the 5-stroke rule).
- Players who are eligible to complete in either the GROSS or NET Final Round must choose and may only complete in one.
  - Selection will be determined by the system based on which Final Round is initiated first by the eligible player during the Final Round period.

## HANDICAP USED IN <u>NET</u> PLAY

- Only the X-Golf Mobile App Handicap is acceptable to determine NET tournament scoring and NET competition eligibility.
- Players without an established X-Golf Mobile App Handicap, or without a Handicap determined and assigned by the Tournament Rules Committee as an exception, may not participate in NET Tournaments and Events.

- The Player Participant's X-Golf Mobile App Handicap will be captured at the start of a Tournament or Event and used as the basis for how the X-Golf handicap will be applied throughout the event.
- For Players with Top-5 finishing scores in more than one NET scoring event, only in-competition tournament scores will be used to determine the Player's handicap for future events.
- The Maximum handicap for any Participating Player at the start of a competition is "36".
- The Final Round competition will use a 30% weighting of the starting X-Golf Mobile App Handicap or assigned handicap, and 70% weighting of the1st round net score, as its adjusted handicap, if better than the accepted or assigned handicap from Round 1. A 20%/80% weight will be applied to teams whose net scores are equal to or better than -7. All Final Round Handicaps will be published to all qualifying players prior to the Final Round.
- All Net scores will be limited to a -8 Exceptional Net Score max for any competitive round.
- Refer to "Program Rules" for how Handicaps may be reapplied should an Exceptional Net Score of -7 or better be scored in a competitive round.

#### **DURING COMPETITIVE PLAY**

- All players must use their X-Golf Mobile App and Scan-In for any competitive round for results to be valid.
- When prompted on the Mobile App during Scan-In, players should enter their X-Golf location, but leave the Team Name Field "Blank."
- Should multiple players play during the same session, individual scores will be validated separately.
- Only the player registered to the Mobile App used to Scan-In may play on his/her own behalf Player substitutions are never allowed.
- During scan-in, all players must confirm their tee-off location and adjust accordingly before the start of competitive play.
- Players may not change their tee locations mid-round.
- Rounds must be completed within their respective round period, booked reservation timeslot, and may not be paused nor completed in a separate setting.
- At the end of your round, please contact X-Golf Staff to officially record your round –
  a photograph of your final scorecard MUST be captured by local staff to be valid.
- The official leaderboard of any competitive round will be posted on playxgolf.com. Only scores supported by a photograph of your completed scorecard are eligible for advancement to the Final Round and for the opportunity to win the tournament. Photograph scorecards submitted after the specified round dates will not be taken.

### **OTHER RULES**

- "Senior" Players are defined as players 65 years of age.
- Players may not hit using the Tee other than for Tee Shots.
- Max Stroke on any hole is DOUBLE PAR.
- Gimmies are set at 4 Feet.
- Players playing in groups may not play out of turn. A one stroke penalty will be assessed for each infraction.
- Putt Preview may not be used at any time. A 2-stroke penalty will be assessed for each infraction. However, use of the L & R Arrows is allowed for use when putting.
- Mulligans are not allowed other than for system errors that are confirmed by X-Golf staff. System errors must be supported by a photograph.

## **X-CUP POINTS SYSTEM**

• Individual Event Points.

Refer to "Program Rules" for a more comprehensive list of program guidelines and tournament rules.

**DISCLAIMER:** It is the responsibility of Player Participants to have read through the specific Tournament Details in addition to the underlying Program Rules in their entirety before participation. Tournament Details combined with Program Rules constitutes the "Official Rules" of a tournament or event. Player Participants should consult with X-Golf Staff for clarification or for any questions prior to participation.

