

## Neutral Athlete Policy

### General

PGA European Tour adopts the International Golf Federation's policy regarding the Participation of Players who hold a Russian or Belarusian passport. The approach derives from International Olympic Committee ("IOC") recommendation, stated within the IOC's press release dated 28 March 2023 (available [HERE](#)) and underpinned by the Recommended Conditions of Participation for Individual Neutral Athletes and Support Personnel with a Russian or Belarusian Passport in International Sports Competitions Organised by International Federation and International Sport Event Organisers (available [HERE](#)).

Certain changes have been made to the IOC recommendations to ensure that it is consistent with the language used in these Regulations and the nature of the DP World Tour, HotelPlanner and Ryder Cup (for example, references to 'Athlete' have been changed to 'Player').

### Conditions of Participation

- (a) Players with a Russian or a Belarusian passport must Participate in a neutral capacity as Individual Neutral Players and not in any way as a representative of the Russian Federation or the Republic of Belarus (or any other organisation from those countries).
- (b) Players who actively support the war in Ukraine cannot Participate. Support Personnel who actively support the war cannot be accredited.
- (c) Players who are contracted to the Russian or Belarusian military or national security agencies cannot Participate. Support personnel who are contracted to the Russian or Belarusian military or national security agencies cannot be accredited.
- (d) No flags, anthems, colours or any identification whatsoever that represent Russia or Belarus (or any organisation from those countries) may be displayed at any Sanctioned Tournament, including the entire venue and/or at any time via personal media (including social media) that in any way relates or makes reference to, or coincides with, the tournament in which they are Participating.
- (e) Players Participating as Individual Neutral Players must meet all anti-doping requirements applicable to them as set out in the Anti-Doping Policy.

Russian and Belarusian national Players may be required (as determined solely by PGA European Tour) to provide a signed declaration of neutrality (in a form approved by PGA European Tour) in order for them to enter and Participate in Sanctioned Tournaments.

In the event that a Player fails to respect the conditions of Participation then it shall constitute a breach of the Code of Behaviour.

In the event that support personnel fail to respect the conditions of participation then it shall constitute a breach of the terms and conditions of accreditation.

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