## **COVID AND TRAVEL INFORMATION**

Dear All,

As previously informed, Finnish Golf Union will host the 2021 edition of the **European Young Masters** at Vierumäki Golf Club (Cooke course).

All essential information regarding the tournament has been forwarded to you in the *Useful Information* package (https://www.eqa-qolf.ch/content/european-young-masters).

Please take note of deadlines for all bookings.

#### COVID-19

Additionally, please find below **IMPORTANT** information about Covid-19 regulations related to travels, entry into Finland, transportation and running of the event.

### PLEASE READ CAREFULLY!

EGA website will be updated with this information.

- → As a result of current restrictions for international travelling, the Finnish Government has imposed to run the championship under a strict **BUBBLE concept**. The following rules must therefore be respected by all participants:
  - Entry into Finland is allowed for team members ONLY (4 players and 2 officials)
    - No accompanying people (parents etc.) allowed
  - o Players born in 2005 and 2006 ONLY can participate
    - Decision from Ministry of Sports, confirmed by EGA
  - o Arrivals to Helsinki (airport or ferry terminal) ONLY
    - IMPORTANT: No individual arrivals, the team must travel in ONE PARTY
  - Transports to Vierumäki ONLY by team transports organized by the Finnish Golf Union
    - The total cost for the round trip (both ways) is 660 € from which FGU would subsidise 50 %, so the cost per team is 330 € round trip (both ways)
    - Will be scheduled according to flight details (see general information)
    - All teams will be met at arrival by FGU staff
  - Accommodation in official hotel ONLY (see general information)
    - Resort area, close to golf club, no shuttle needed
    - Teams not allowed to leave the resort area during the week
  - The bubble concept applies for all teams, EGA officials and FGU staff
    - Face masks must be worn when indoors, social distances must be respected, all hygiene and safety instructions must be followed

# → COVID-TESTS, CERTIFICATES ETC.

 We follow the current national regulations regarding requirements for negative Covid test results:

#### **AT ARRIVAL**

- Participants must show a certificate negative test result at arrival (PCR or antigen, not older than 72 hours prior the entry into Finland). Otherwise, they will be subject to a mandatory Covid-test and a 3-day quarantine which makes them ineligible to be part of the team.
- Exempt from testing at arrival are so called Green zone –countries (currently only Iceland, Poland and Hungary). These are excluded from the Covid test mentioned above. But they are still obligated to be in the Bubble during the tournament week as stated in this message.
- There is a general health screening at arrival by national health authorities which applies to all entries.

## AT DEPARTURE

- All participants who need an exit test for the departure flights, are offered following opportunity:
  - Test days at the venue: Friday 23 or Saturday 24 July. A booking system will be published prior the championship.
  - Cost for exit test 149 € per person, to be paid by teams.
  - It is solely on each team's responsibility to check the need of an exit test.

## → CERTIFICATES, DOCUMENTS

- SPECIAL ENTRY PERMISSION FROM THE FINNISH BORDER CONTROL
- EYM INVITATION LETTER FROM FGU/EGA

Finnish Golf Union will prepare <u>both</u> these documents which will be sent to all participants/ teams when we have received all team member details.

These documents must be shown at arrival when entering the border (either printed or electronic).

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF DEADLINES FOR PROVIDING ALL PERSONAL AND TRAVEL DETAILS

Finnish Golf Union has the right to make changes in the protocol if new regulations occur.

Under these circumstances it might happen that we all forget the reason why we do this: We want to play golf, safe and happy! Let us all make this happen!!

Welcome to Finland!

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