

Dear NRMGC family,

Thank you all for patiently standing by for this update on the health-safety precautions our 2020 NRMGC will be taking. Military Retirees and their families are unique, savvy, and devoted team players, and we all are sensitive to the above-and-beyond efforts that must be made during this period. We continue to determine and work on the best possible tournament environment we can provide for our players during our November 2020 37th Anniversary tournament. Whether you're registered or planning to register, we want to update you on what we're doing to help ensure your safety and well-being at this year's event.

We believe this tournament will serve as a safe haven for you to enjoy what Myrtle Beach is most known for: golf. Please take a moment to review the current changes we've made to date for this year's event:

Changes related to golf:

- All participants will have their own cart for each tournament round.
- Single carts cannot be guaranteed for non-tournament practice rounds.
- We will have only 72-76 golfers on each course. In order to enable this lower number per course and individual carts, Aberdeen Golf Course has been added to the rotation. There will now be 6 courses: MBN King's North, MBN South Creek, World Tour, Burning Ridge, Long Bay, and Aberdeen.
- Range balls will be provided on a complimentary basis and placed on respective ranges to eliminate touch points.
- Flags must remain in at all times. All courses have foam in the holes so players can remove their ball without touching the flag.
- Players are permitted complimentary relief from abnormal ground conditions in bunkers (e.g.: footprint).
- As always, no spectators or rental carts will be allowed at any course.
- During the tournament week, each golf course will follow all federal guidelines as determined by the CDC by that time.

Other changes:

Registration:

- Players will be required to wear masks while inside registering and will maintain 6 feet intervals while waiting in line. First year newcomers will be directed to a separate registration area to allow for question/answer session without slowing registration for veteran players.
- Once registered, all players will be directed outside to the patio if they want to meet in small groups as long as distancing rules can be met.
- A hand sanitizer bottle will be provided to all participants. Players are encouraged to bring their own PPE products to include masks.
- Registration may be extended on Monday, 9 November, if needed.
- We will not have the traditional "Ice Breaker" on registration evening due to COVID-19 risks and rules.

We ask that all players observe local guidelines and follow social distancing practices while participating in activities after golf as well.

-Complimentary breakfast snacks / displays will be removed from all golf course facilities.

COVID-19 Waiver: Players will be asked to sign a COVID-19 waiver prior to arrival confirming your health status and acknowledgement of our policies. This will be sent via email in October, and also posted on the website. Instructions for submission will be provided.

-For those not already registered, the \$345 (men) and \$300 (women) entry fees will be maintained through the entry deadline of October 23rd. Visit <u>oceanaresorts.com/nrmgc</u> for an application and more information.

Additional FAQ:

-Will there still be the opportunity to attend the Alabama Theatre Christmas show? YES: The Alabama Theatre can accommodate over 900 people within COVID-19 guidelines and the show is scheduled for us on Wednesday, 11 November at 7:00 PM for those of you who selected the show as your entertainment option.

-What if my state requires I self-quarantine if I visit South Carolina?

We ask that all players familiarize themselves with their respective home state guidelines prior to arriving in the Myrtle Beach area and to make their own informed decision on attendance.

Event changes may still be made, but this message is meant to give you a thorough understanding of the "big picture". At this time, we're not anticipating any further changes to previously announced tournament activities such as goodie bags with tournament shirts and other items, daily drawings, daily winning prize for best score on each course, putting contest, closest to pin winners each day on all par 3s, and of course great golf and fellowship on fantastic courses.

We want to thank our devoted players who've signed up for the November 2020 37th Anniversary tournament so far, and encourage those who haven't yet to go ahead and get your applications in. As always, we encourage you all to invite your fellow retired golf buddies to join us.

We remain committed to providing you with a safe and healthy environment to compete and invite you to contact us should you have any questions along the way.

Warmest Regards,

On behalf of MG (RET) Turner (Chairman) and the entire NRMGC Committee, Al Whatley
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