Golf Moldova

Golf terms in English, Romanian and Russian

Golf has its own vocabulary, and in Romanian many terms are simply borrowed from English. Here are the words you will hear most.

English	Română	Русский	Meaning
The course			
Tee	Tee	Ти	Where each hole starts; also the small peg the ball sits on.
Fairway	Fairway	Фервей	Short-mown grass between the tee and the green.
Rough	Rough	Раф	Longer grass on either side of the fairway.
Green	Green	Грин	Very short grass around the hole, where you putt.
Hole	Gaură	Лунка	The cup on the green, and also one section of the course from tee to green.
Flagstick (pin)	Steag	Флагшток	The pole with a flag that marks the hole.
Bunker	Bunker	Бункер	A hollow filled with sand.
Penalty area (water)	Zonă de penalizare (apă)	Штрафная зона (вода)	A lake, stream or ditch; playing out of it usually costs a penalty stroke.
Out of bounds	În afara terenului (out of bounds)	Аут	Outside the course boundary, usually marked with white stakes; it costs a penalty.
Driving range	Driving range	Драйвинг-рейндж	A practice area for long shots.
Alternate tee	Tee alternativ	Альтернативный ти	A second tee for the same hole, used when nine holes are played as 18.
Scoring			
Stroke	Lovitură	Удар	Each swing at the ball that counts towards your score.
Par	Par	Пар	The number of strokes an expert golfer is expected to need to complete a hole, including putts. Par 3 means three strokes; par 4 means four.
Birdie	Birdie	Бёрди	One stroke under par on a hole.
Eagle	Eagle	Игл	Two strokes under par on a hole.
Bogey	Bogey	Боги	One stroke over par on a hole.
Double bogey	Dublu bogey	Дабл-боги	Two strokes over par on a hole.
Penalty stroke	Lovitură de penalizare	Штрафной удар	An extra stroke added for breaking a rule or losing a ball.
Handicap	Handicap	Гандикап	A number that shows a player's ability, so players of different levels can compete fairly.
Scorecard	Fișă de scor	Карточка счёта	The card where you record your strokes on each hole.
Shots			
Drive	Drive	Драйв	A long first shot from the tee, usually with a driver.
Approach	Lovitură de apropiere	Удар на грин (подход)	A shot aimed at reaching the green.
Chip	Chip	Чип	A short, low shot onto the green that rolls most of the way.
Pitch	Pitch	Питч	A short, higher shot that lands softly.

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Putt	**Putt**	**Патт**	Rolling the ball along the green towards the hole.
Slice	**Slice**	**Слайс**	A shot that curves strongly to the right (for a right-handed player).
Hook	**Hook**	**Хук**	A shot that curves strongly to the left (for a right-handed player).
Divot	**Divot**	**Дивот**	A piece of turf cut out by the club; put it back after your shot.

Equipment

Driver	**Driver**	**Драйвер**	The longest club, used for tee shots.
Wood	**Wood**	**Вуд**	A long club with a large head, for distance.
Hybrid	**Hybrid**	**Гибрид**	A cross between a wood and an iron, easier to hit than long irons.
Iron	**Iron**	**Айрон**	A club with a flat metal face, numbered by its angle (loft).
Wedge	**Wedge**	**Ведж**	A short iron with a steep face, for short shots and bunkers.
Putter	**Putter**	**Паттер**	A flat-faced club for rolling the ball on the green.
Golf glove	**Mănușă de golf**	**Перчатка для гольфа**	A thin glove for grip, usually worn on the non-dominant hand.
Ball marker	**Marcaj pentru minge**	**Маркер мяча**	A small flat marker that shows where your ball was on the green.

Booking, etiquette and organisations

Fore!	**Fore!**	**«Фор!»**	Shouted warning when your ball might hit someone.
Tee time	**Ora de start (tee time)**	**Время старта (ти-тайм)**	Your booked start time for a round.
Green fee	**Green fee (taxa de joc)**	**Грин-фи**	The fee to play the course.
PGA	**PGA**	**PGA**	Professional Golfers' Association: the body that trains and qualifies golf professionals and coaches. Each country has its own, such as the PGA in the UK. The PGA Tour is a separate professional tour.
Pro shop	**Magazin (pro shop)**	**Про-шоп**	The club shop that sells equipment.