

GOLF ETIQUETTE - THE UNSPOKEN RULES OF GOLF

We hope for all of our patrons to enjoy a safe and fun round of golf at any one of our Fairways Partner Courses. We wrote this guide for all of our Junior Fairways Members to become familiar with how things work at our facilities and take these great lessons on with them in life as well.

"Success in this game depends less on strength of body than strength of mind and character." - ARNOLD PALMER

PLAY IT SAFE

Always make sure that all other players are behind you when striking the golf ball. Sometimes the best golfers don't even know where that ball is going to go. Even more important make sure that all of your golfing partners are at a safe distance from you when swinging. Getting home safe and sound is of utmost importance.

SPEED IT UP

Do your best to keep up with the group in front of you. Walk to your ball quickly and know what you are going to do before you get there. You should have your next shot and how your going to hit it planned prior to getting to your ball. If you are falling behind the pace of play, please make sure to let golfers behind your group play through.

The safest way to allow a group or golfer play through is to wait for them on the tee box of the next hole and have them hit their tee shot while you or your group waits. Good communication is key here. All you have to do is waive someone forward with a signal of your arm. No one enjoys being rushed during their round, so make your round and their round more enjoyable by allowing a faster group to play through.



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LEAVE THE COURSE BETTER THAN YOU FOUND IT

As a Junior Fairways Member, it is important to understand that enjoyment of the course for you and your fellow members is something that you have a major part in.

This means that you should always repair all divots after your shot. On each green, you should always repair your ball mark and one other. If your shot did not make a ball mark, it is still a great habit to get into of repairing someone else's.

Nobody likes putting through ball marks, so let's look after one another and fix our marks. Plus, it never hurts to have some good golf karma right before your putt!

PAIRING UP

Sometimes, our courses are busy and we have to pair players up so that the golf course is run efficiently for all of the people playing. There are times when you will be paired up with other players, so be aware that you will not always be playing on your own.

Keep in mind that being paired up is a great way to meet new people, make lifelong friends and to learn from watching how others play. If and when you are paired up, a simple handshake and a "good to meet you" goes a long way and makes for an enjoyable round for all.

"A kid grows up a lot faster on the golf course. Golf teaches you how to behave." - JACK NICKLAUS





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SPEAK & CONDUCT YOURSELF IN A RESPECTABLE MANNER

Please refrain from yelling while you are on the golf course. There are a lot of other people on the course at a given time, and they deserve to enjoy their round as much as everyone on the course.

When someone is getting ready to swing or mid-swing, refrain from talking. It is considered poor etiquette to make noises during someone's swing and can cause them to play worse.

Golf is meant to be fun - so be sure to enjoy your round every time you get out on the course. But please, be aware of your surroundings and respectful of others.

"The more I practice, the luckier I get." - GARY PLAYER

BE PREPARED FOR THE WEATHER

Come prepared for the weather! We all have the ability to know what the weather forecast is and can plan for our rounds of golf accordingly. Please make sure to dress accordingly for the weather.

On hot days, it is always a good idea to keep a water bottle in your bag filled with cold water. Also, consider applying sunscreen prior to playing and keeping a bottle in your bag as well.

For colder days or the occasional storm that may roll in, having a coat in the bag is always a good idea to stay warm and dry.



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MAKE TEE TIMES

It is always a good idea to schedule tee times. This way, we know who is joining us that day and how many players they will have. When you make a tee time, you guarantee yourself a spot on the tee box. Tee times are convenient for you because they allow you to know what to expect prior to arriving at the course.

We will always do our best to accommodate you if you do not have a tee time. However, it is much easier to make sure you have a tee time by going online or calling over the phone. There are times throughout the season when the whole course may be booked with a golf outing or golf league - and there's nothing worse than arriving to the course without a tee time to find out there's no place for you to get out and enjoy a round of golf. Tee times are beneficial for all!

UNSURE OF WHAT TO DO?

There may be times where you just do not know what you should do or have questions - and that's okay! If and when this happens, please feel free to ask a manager, ranger, starter or fellow golfers.

We are here to help and want each and every one of your experiences to be positive and enjoyable. We are here 7-days a week from sunup to sundown, so feel free to call us at (440) 748-8231 or message us at Info@FairwaysMembership.com

"No matter how good you get, you can always get better. And that's the exciting part." - TIGER WOODS

