CRC Golf Courses - Golf Facility Rules & Guidelines



The Cincinnati Recreation Commission Golf Courses' goal is to treat each guest to a safe and enjoyable golfing experience. The following rules have been established to achieve this goal.

We have divided our rules / guidelines into nine (9) sections for quick reference.

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1. General Golf Course Rules

- All persons on or about golf course premises assume all risk of injury/loss to themselves or personal property, and also assume all liability to others for their acts.
- We reserve the right to refuse admission to the golf course or clubhouse, and to cancel playing privileges at any time.
- Each Player must have a receipt from the golf shop.
- Each player must have their own bag and clubs (Rental sets are available on a first come / first served basis).
- No more than four (4) players will be permitted to play in the same group at any time.
 - Golf Professional may approve fivesomes for outings that will not share golf course with daily fee play.
- Golf Professional reserves the right to pair up golfers whenever possible.
- Holes must be played in order.
 - The golf professional reserves the right to alter the starting hole or tee off format.
- Playing more than one golf ball per person is not permitted on the golf course.
- Pets are not permitted on the golf course, driving range or practice areas.

2. Tee Time Reservations

Ensure your visit starts out enjoyable by scheduling a tee time reservation prior to your arrival.

- Tee times can be made 10-Days in advance when booking online at www.cincygolf.org
 - Eagle Pass Holders may book Tee Times 15-Days in advance online.
- Phone calls for Tee Times may be made 7-Days in advance.
- The Golf Course Team reserves the right to pair up all golfers when necessary.
 - Single golfers may reserve tee times when there is availability to pair them up with another group.
 - Single golfers may also wait on a stand-by basis. While we cannot guarantee and opening, we will insert
 a single into a group with a no-show when available.
- An individual golfer may only book up to 4 Tee Times (16 players) at a time and may require approval from the Golf Professional during certain times.
 - o Individuals looking to book over 16 players should contact our Sales Director Paul Schildmeyer at pschildmeyer@cincygolf.org.
- On Weekends and Holiday Mornings (March-November) only 18-hole reservations will be accepted unless 9-Hole rounds have been made available by the Golf Professional. Please Call
- All golfers are asked to arrive a minimum of 20 minutes before their tee time to ensure ample time to check in and prepare for their round.

3. Age Restrictions

- Junior golfers are those ages 17 and younger.
- A child must be at least five (5) years of age to be on the golf course for any reason, either as a player or as a spectator.
- A child must be at least five (5) years of age to ride on a golf cart for any reason.
- Children under the age of eight (8) must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or adult.
- A parent, guardian, or accompanying adult must complete a Child Age Verification for each junior golfer or minor spectator at the request of the golf shop staff.
- Players must be at least eighteen (18) years of age to rent a golf cart, either as a player or spectator.
- Players aged 16 & 17 may drive a golf car when accompanied by a player at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- Senior golfer benefits begin at age 60.

4. Golf Car Rental

- Players must be at least eighteen (18) years of age to rent a golf cart, either as a player or spectator.
- Players aged 16 & 17 may drive a golf car when accompanied by a player at least eighteen (18) years of age.
- As a condition of being permitted to use an assigned golf car renter agrees to return the assigned car immediately following the completion of play, in the same condition as received. Normal wear is excepted.
- If the assigned car is not satisfactory, it is the renter's responsibility to refuse its use.
- The renter is responsible for and will agree to pay for all damage to the assigned car and all damage or injuries caused by the renter's use and operation of the car.
- Renter promises and agrees to hold the City of Cincinnati, Troon Golf and Century Equipment free and harmless from any damage claims whatsoever which may arise from or through use or operation of the assigned car.
- Renter agrees to be familiar with the operation of the assigned car and have the ability to operate and control the assigned car.
- Any guest observed operating a golf car in an unsafe / careless manner may have the golf car confiscated and future rentals denied.

Golf Car Rules

- a. Two Riders Maximum are permitted in a golf cart.
- b. Please remain seated while the golf car is in motion.
- c. Please keep your hands, feet, and head inside the vehicle at all times.
- d. Power carts must be kept at least 30 feet from the greens at all times.
- e. The golf staff will inform golfers of the golf car rules of the day upon arrival.
 - i. Please keep golf cars on paths on all Par 3 holes.
 - ii. If you are unaware of the golf car rule of the day, please default to driving on paths and in the rough and crossing the fairways at 90 degrees.
- f. Avoid driving in standing water or potentially wet low-lying areas.
- g. Do not drive golf cars in native areas (no-mow areas) at any time.
- h. Any golfer found to be adjusting golf cars components in any manner will be asked to leave immediately (No refund)

5. Alcohol Policy

The *Liquor Laws of the STATE OF OHIO SECTION 4301.62* prohibit persons to have in their possession any container of beer or intoxicating liquor on CRC Golf Course Property that is not purchased from the Golf Course (permit holder).

- Golf Staff may ask to look inside golfer's personal belongings if they believe above law is being violated.
 - Refusal to allow a golf staff member to inspect personal belongings will result in the golfer being asked to leave the property immediately (no refunds).
 - We refuse to place our contractor or employees in harm's way therefore our golf team has been instructed to call the police if a golfer refuses inspection and removal from the property.
- Golfers found to have personal containers of beer or intoxicating liquor must either:
 - o Dispose of opened containers and return unopened containers to their vehicle before teeing off.
 - o If on the golf course, turn all beverages over to the golf course staff to hold until the end of play.
 - Failure to comply will result in guest(s) being asked to leave the property (no refunds).

6. Personal Coolers

- Golfing patrons of Cincinnati Recreation Commission (CRC) Golf courses are not permitted to bring personal
 coolers onto the golf courses unless such a cooler is necessary for keeping Medical Supplies or Special Dietary
 Needs Protected, e.g. Insulin, etc.
- Golfers utilizing a personal cooler for medical supplies or special dietary needs must announce their intention and show the contents of the cooler to the pro shop and starter prior to teeing off.
 - o Golf Car and Cooler MAY NOT return to the parking lot after disclosing cooler contents.
- The Food & Beverage Staff will Provide Complimentary Bags of Ice with the Purchase of Any Food or Drink that Requires Ice to Remain Cold During a Guest's Time on the Golf Course.

7. Etiquette / Pace of Play

- Dress Code
 - Shirts must be worn at all times.
 - o Golf or Athletic Shoes must be worn at all times (no cleats or boots).
- Replace divots, repair ball marks and rake sand bunkers.
- Play "Ready Golf" On average, a foursome should play each hole in 14 minutes and is the player's responsibility.
 - Keep pace with the group ahead of you.
 - If a gap forms between your group and the group ahead, allow faster groups to play through.
 - Play your shot as soon as it is safe to do so.
 - o First to the tee goes first.
 - Let the shorter hitters tee off first.
 - Hit your ball before helping search for one.
 - Putt when you're ready.
 - Mark scores down on the next tee
- 18-Hole players should limit their time while making the turn.

8. Adverse Weather

(Includes but Not Limited to Lightning and High Winds)

In the event of adverse weather:

- EACH PERSON IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ENSURING THEIR OWN SAFETY.
- USGA Adverse Weather Recommendations have been displayed in the clubhouse, on golf cars and on the golf course for your reference. Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with these safety measures.
- On-Course Shelters are only intended for use in light rain, not lightning or high winds, and are to be used by golf course users at their own risk.
- No new golfers will be checked-in or sent onto to the golf course or practice facility.
- No one will be expected to leave the safety of a building to go outside to sound a warning siren.
- IT IS ACKNOWLEDGED THAT ADVERSE WEATHER IS A SEVERE HAZARD THAT MUST BE VIEWED SERIOUSLY.

9. Organized School Golf Matches / Practice

- School golf team members will be required to purchase a YGA Card to receive Special YGA Junior Rates for all team practices officially scheduled by their coach.
- CRC Golf Courses will offer Large Buckets of Range Balls discounted to the Medium Bucket pricing (artificial mats only) to teams practicing on the driving range with their coach.
- All School Golf Match requests need to be in written form. (emails & letters)
 - o No telephone call requests will be honored.
 - The cut-off for such requests will be June 15 any year.
 - Please include:
 - Team Name
 - Team Grade / Level e.g. Middle School, H.S Varsity, H.S. Reserve
 - 1st, 2nd & 3rd choice of match date to help evenly distribute FREE matches.
 - Coach's name & contact information including email.
- After June 15th the golf staff will assign one FREE "host" match to each school that has requested a
 match at the facility. An email will be sent to the golf coach verifying the dates, times, and number of
 players allowed for each booked FREE Match.
- It is our policy to allow no more than one FREE organized school golf match per weekday, per golf facility, for legitimate team matches. Schools may choose to work with specific CRC golf courses to schedule a "pay to play" school match on the same day as a free match when tee times are available. The YGA Junior Rates will apply.
- Golf practices and matches may not interfere with regularly scheduled league play or scheduled outings. Golf professionals shall use their personal discretion in scheduling matches and practices when contacted by the appropriate golf team coach.