

CODE OF CONDUCT

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BACKGROUND

1. Alberta Golf takes great pride in the quality of its competitors, its host facilities and broad community involvement.
2. In order to make the events enjoyable to everyone involved, Alberta Golf requires participants to adhere to a set of guidelines known as the Code of Conduct.
3. The purpose of this Code is to identify expectations and clarify actions that are considered violations and thereby assist participants in understanding the consequences of their actions.
4. These standards apply to the competitor and their caddie when they are on golf course property for a practice round, competition or any other Alberta Golf sanctioned event.

PERSONAL CONDUCT

1. Individuals are expected to demonstrate respect for players, club staff and members, employees, spectators, Alberta Golf officials and all others by exhibiting decorum consistent with expectations of an Alberta Golf member.
2. Actions that are violations include abusive language, abuse of the golf course or golf property, knowingly violating rules, club throwing, vandalism, bad temperament, disrespect of fellow competitors, spectators, volunteers, officials and other conduct that is considered detrimental to the best interests of the game or Alberta Golf.
3. Use of illicit drugs is prohibited at an AGA sanctioned event.
4. Use of alcohol by a competitor or caddie during a stipulated round is prohibited.
5. Juniors are prohibited from using tobacco products or alcohol on golf course property during an AGA sanctioned event or off the golf course when a member of an Alberta Golf team or attending a sanctioned event.
6. Practicing or hitting golf balls on any public area other than property specifically intended for the practice or play of golf is prohibited.
7. Players must attend mandatory meetings as outlined in the entry acceptance letter.

VIOLATIONS TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

1. If a violation occurs prior to or during the event, the individual must immediately comply with the code. This must be done without undue delay and then the Code must be maintained.
2. Penalties 1st offense - warning or disqualification , 2nd offense - disqualification

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

1. Discipline during an event will be handled by event Tournament Committee or Alberta Golf representatives in charge of the activity.
2. Code of Conduct violations will be referred to the Discipline Committee. In the event that the Discipline Committee determines a suspension is warranted, the competitor (and parent or guardian in the case of a Junior) will be advised of the suspension in writing and of their rights to appeal.

NOTES

CADDIES

1. All caddies must be registered with the starter.

SPECTATORS, PARENTS

1. Spectators, including parents friends and the like, must adhere to the instructions of AG officials with respect to their position on the course and stay off all fairways, greens and tee boxes.
2. They must not converse, offer advice, signal or interfere with play of any competitor.
3. Disregarding this regulation will result in a warning and a second offense may result in the offender being asked to leave the course immediately for the duration of the tournament.
4. Failure to leave the course immediately may result in the disqualification of the related player.

DRESS STANDARDS (includes caddies)

1. Individuals must be neat with respect to personal appearance and grooming.
2. Only tailored golf slacks (which includes capri pants for females), golf shirts with collars and sleeves (ladies' golf shirts must have a collar and/or sleeves), and tailored golf shorts (cut to an appropriate length) are acceptable.
3. Shirts must be tucked in at the waist if designed therefore.
4. Hats / visors must be worn properly, with the brim forward.
5. Males shall remove hats / visors indoors at the host facilities.
6. The competitor or their caddie is not permitted to wear traditional metal or ceramic tipped spikes. Golf shoes with alternative spikeless soles (eg; softspikes ®), golf teaching shoes, sneakers or other soft soled shoes that will not penetrate or damage a soft putting green are permitted.
7. Unacceptable dress includes blue jeans, cut-offs, denim shorts, athletic shorts, jammers, warm up or sweat pants, muscle shirts, T-shirts, tank tops, shirts or pants that are rolled up, etc.
8. No commercial logos, trademarks, numbers, or offensive wording is acceptable, except that of golf clubs or golf manufacturers or other organizations that are deemed acceptable by Alberta Golf.
9. Should a host facility have a stricter dress code, its policy will apply.