# **GSGA Junior Tour Code of Conduct**

The GSGA Junior Tour takes great pride in the quality of its players and host facilities at each tournament. In order to continue making the GSGA experience enjoyable and rewarding for everyone, the Junior Tour requires all members to adhere to a set of guidelines known as the Code of Conduct. Its purpose is to help GSGA Junior Tour participants grow and mature by understanding and accepting the consequences of their actions. The Code of Conduct is to be followed throughout the junior's membership.

### VIOLATIONS OF CODE OF CONDUCT

Any of the following actions by GSGA Junior Tour member at an event or toward another GSGA Junior Tour member anywhere, constitutes a violation of the GSGA Junior Tour Code of Conduct:

- Unsportsmanlike conduct, including abusive language, cheating, club throwing, disrespect to volunteers, officials or fellow competitors, or abuse of golf course property
- Not adhering to the dress code at the host golf course
- Use or association with drugs, alcohol, or smoking or chewing tobacco products
- Conduct not becoming of a GSGA Junior Tour player, such as acting in anger or creating other distractions
- Failure to treat host golf course with respect by ignoring the responsibility of caring for the course, filling divots and fixing ball marks
- Physical abuse, threat of physical abuse, verbal abuse, slander or libel towards other players, parents, coaches, sponsors, host golf course staff or members, GSGA staff or volunteers in any medium

## REQUIRED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward, males must remove hat/visor while indoors
- Collared shirts or mock turtlenecks (host golf course permitting) must be worn and, for males, tucked in at all times
- Women's fashion shirts without a collar must have sleeves
- Women's shorts, skorts and skirts must be at or beyond the extended fingertips with arms hanging at sides

# PROHIBITED DRESS AT THE GOLF COURSE:

- Tank tops, T-shirts
- Denim shorts, short-shorts, cut-off shorts, gym shorts, jeans, sweat pants, yoga pants, compression pants\*

  \*Compression and yoga pants may be worn at golf course if covered by shorts, skorts or skirts

Proper attire is required at all times at the host golf course. Questionable attire will be reviewed by the Tournament Committee. Should a host golf course have a stricter dress code, its policy will take precedence. Players in violation will not be allowed to tee off.

### CODE OF CONDUCT VIOLATION PENALTIES

Any Code of Conduct violation will result in a written letter to the player and his or her parent/guardian. The GSGA Tournament Committee may assess any or all of the following penalties based on severity and frequency of the violation(s):

- One-stroke penalty for each act of unsportsmanlike behavior on the golf course
- Immediate disqualification from the tournament at which the violation occurs
- Depending on the severity of the violation, a tournament disqualification may also result in disqualification from the next event(s) for which a player has been accepted
- The GSGA reserves the right to suspend or revoke a player's membership for a major breach of the GSGA Junior Tour Code of Conduct
- Violation of the GSGA Junior Tour Code of Conduct may affect a player's eligibility for season-ending championships and postseason honors

### SUSPENSION INFORMATION

In the event of a suspension, both the player and parent/guardian will be required to submit a written account of the Code of Conduct violation to the GSGA Director, Junior Golf within 30 days of the suspension. The Director, Junior Golf will determine the length of the suspension after reviewing all submitted materials, including a GSGA tournament staff account of the violation. Any player whose membership is under suspension will not be eligible for postseason honors.