

GSGA Junior Tour Spectator Guidelines

Spectators are welcome to attend GSGA Junior Tour events and do so at their own risk. In order to secure the spirit of the game and to ensure respect for players, other spectators, GSGA staff and host facilities, we ask spectators to please adhere to the following guidelines:

Conduct/Attire: Spectators are required to be courteous and adhere to the same Code of Conduct as players. Please review the Code of Conduct by [CLICKING HERE](#).

General: Spectators **MUST** stay on cart paths and, generally, try to remain one shot ahead of the group they are following to assist with errant shots. In the absence of cart paths, we ask that spectators stay in the rough. Please stay off fairways, tees and greens. The only two exceptions to this are:

- To help search for a golf ball
- If view of the putting green is obstructed from cart path

In these circumstances, spectators must return to the cart path as soon as the ball is located or the group has putted out, respectively.

Spectator Carts: While not guaranteed at every event, spectator carts may be rented based on availability. The rental fee is determined by each individual host facility. Please note that requests for spectator carts may be limited or denied in some circumstances (poor weather conditions, lack of available carts at host facility, etc.) and use of a cart is subject to final approval by the host facility. All spectator carts **MUST** remain on the cart path. All players and spectators are not permitted to ride on the back of a golf cart at any time during GSGA competitions. When helping players search for a golf ball, please park the cart on the path and proceed to search on foot. **Spectators not abiding by this policy will have their spectator cart privileges removed with no refund.**

Advice: The Rules of Golf (Rule 10.2) define “advice” as any verbal comment or action that is intended to influence a player in choosing a club, making a stroke, or deciding how to play during a hole or round. Any extended conversation between player/spectator may be construed as advice. This includes any extended conversation between player/spectator in their native language. Penalty for breach of this Rule is two strokes in stroke play. Players are responsible for the actions of their family members and spectators regarding this Rule.

Family members and spectators **CAN** carry food, drinks, medicine, umbrellas, etc. and provide them to players during the round.

Cell Phones: Please silence cell phones when at GSGA competitions. When making a call, spectators must ensure players are not distracted. Some host facilities do not allow the use of cell phones on property and this policy would take precedence.

Rulings: Spectators should not give rulings. Please seek a GSGA staff member or contact the GSGA Junior Tour office by phone at (770) 850-9040. Incorrect rulings given by spectators will not be remedied in the scoring area, as players are ultimately responsible for knowing the Rules.

The GSGA staff has the authority to remove any family member or spectator who is not abiding by these guidelines and suspend/revoke the associated player’s membership.