



GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS:

1. The USGA Rules of Golf will govern play at all times. The Conditions of Competition and Local Rules on the SCPGA Junior Tour Hard Card are also in effect.
2. All members are required to take and pass a Rules Exam before entering any SCPGA Junior Tour event. There are Rules Exams for the JDT, Players Tour and Toyota Tour Cup that are required prior to participation at that level.
3. Players and parents should always conduct themselves as ladies and gentlemen while at a tournament site. Remember, we are the guests of the host facilities, and the SCPGA needs the courses more than the courses need the SCPGA Junior Tour.
4. Slow play will not be tolerated. Always be ready to play when it is your turn and be sure that your group maintains its position with the group in front of yours. Please refer to the Tour Hard Card and Pace of Play policy in this Handbook on page 12. Groups that fall behind will be subject to penalty under the Rules of Golf.
5. All players must check in at registration at least 30 minutes prior to their starting time. Failure to arrive at the tee ready to play at your designated starting time may result in a penalty or disqualification under the Rules of Golf (Rule 6-3).
6. Do not leave your clubs unattended. The SCPGA and the host facilities are NOT responsible for any lost or stolen items.
7. Caddies are not permitted.
8. Junior Tour Members are forbidden to ride in golf carts in all Junior Tour events, unless being shuttled by an official SCPGA Staff member or a designated shuttle. Players (all age divisions) may use pull carts if they are permitted at the host course. Motorized carts of any kind are prohibited.
9. Distance measuring devices will be allowed in competitions. The use of cell phones, iPods, etc. during competition is forbidden and will result in a general penalty and /or disqualification. Spectators are asked to NOT use cell phones during competition, and to keep ringers in the "off" or "vibrate" mode.
10. Golf etiquette is an essential part of the game. Members and parents are expected to behave in accordance with the Rules of Golf. Players must be careful not to damage greens when putting down golf bags, the flagstick, or with shoes or clubs. Players are responsible for replacing divots, repairing ball marks and raking bunkers. Not adhering to this guideline could result in a serious breach of etiquette (Rule 33-7) and result in disqualification.

11. Any misconduct or unbecoming behavior by the Junior Member or their parent/guardian may result in the immediate disqualification of the player from the event, or the removal of the parent/guardian from the facility. Examples of misconduct include, but are not limited to, throwing clubs, use of vulgar or obscene language, smoking, drinking, use of tobacco, littering, abuse of SCPGA Staff, volunteers, or PGA Members. If you witness any unbecoming behavior, please report it immediately to the SCPGA Staff on-site. Excessive and continued abuse of SCPGA Rules and Regulations by a Junior Member or Parent will result in a hearing with the SCPGA Advisory Committee and /or suspension or expulsion from the SCPGA Junior Tour. If a junior or a parent is suspended, the suspension may last throughout the end of the calendar year. The Junior/Parent may reapply for Membership/reinstatement the following year, and may appeal the Advisory Committee's decision. Notification of any suspension or expulsion will be forwarded to the AJGA & USGA.