



SCPGA Jr. Tour COVID-19 Policies & Best Practices

The SCPGA Junior Tour has implemented the following guidelines in response to the precautionary measures related to COVID-19. This document of best practices has been produced with the reference of the "Back2Golf Operations Playbook", which has been reviewed by the CDC, along with the guidelines and recommendations outlined by the CDC, State and County Health officials. These guidelines are subject to change.

The SCPGA Junior Tour is dedicated to providing its members and families with safe and responsible tournament programming, and we thank you for your cooperation by adhering to the outlined policies and best practices.

- We kindly ask that all players remain in their cars until registration check in is allowed. We will only allow the player to check in and use the practice facilities no more than 45 minutes prior to their assigned tee time.
 - If the course doesn't have a driving range or it's unavailable for our event, the registration window to check in will be no more than 30 minutes prior to the official tee time. This will ensure that we can limit the amount of people on the property and practice proper social distancing.
- Please practice social distancing which is defined by at least eight feet of physical distance between all people. This MUST be practiced at all times during an event.
- Players must be responsible for bringing their own face coverings and wearing it while at the facility until their opening tee shot.
 - Players can remove their face coverings once it is their turn to hit their opening tee shot on the first hole of play.
 - All players will be required to wear their face coverings again after they complete their final hole prior to approaching the scoring area.
 - If the player declines to wear a face covering, they will be withdrawn from the event.
- SCPGA Junior Tour staff and rules officials will be required to wear a face covering at all times.
- Sanitary gloves will be worn by our staff when handling items that others may come into contact with. This will also take place during administrative preparation prior to the tournament day.
- For the time being there will only be one spectator allowed per player. We have to ensure social distancing requirements are met and exceeded at each facility, and therefore it is imperative that we limit the total amount of people at each event.

- In an effort to eliminate as many touch points as possible, the SCPGA Junior Tour will send links for the official scorecard so players can print in advance.
 - For multi-day events in the Players Tour and Toyota Tour Cup, the notice to competitors and hole locations will also be sent to all players via email so they can print in advance of the tournament. These materials (scorecards, hole locations, notices) will still be on site for any player that does not bring their own. They will be able to receive a copy at either the registration table or with the starter.

- We will no longer provide the following items: pencils, tees, ball markers, divot repair tools, sharpies, and sunscreen. Players are responsible for bringing their own equipment.

- All bunker rakes will be removed from the golf course. Players are allowed to lift, clean, and place their ball within one club length of its original position.
 - The ball must not come to rest nearer the hole and must remain in that same bunker.
 - We encourage all players to smooth the sand with their shoe or club when exiting the bunker.

- Players must not touch or remove the flagstick at any time. Removing the flagstick is a violation of the SCPGA Junior Tour's policies and may result in a penalty.
 - If a stroke is made without the flagstick in the hole, a one-stroke penalty will be assessed to the player for breach of this local rule. There is a maximum of one-stroke penalty per hole.
 - If the flagstick is removed inadvertently and then replaced before a stroke is made, there will be no penalty assessed.

- Scoring will take place in a manner where social distancing can be implemented appropriately.
 - We will have players stand a minimum of 8 feet apart and verbally attest to their scores.
 - There will be no exchanging of scorecards between players and no signatures required.

- Scoreboards and BlueGolf TV will be eliminated for the near future to reduce the possibility of any gatherings in one confined area. Players and parents are encouraged to get the SCPGA Junior Tour application for IOS and Android so they can view the results after the completion of play.

- In an effort to reduce sizeable gatherings, award ceremonies will be eliminated for the near future. When players finish at scoring, they are required to leave the property.
 - If a player is in the running for a trophy or medal, they can wait in their car until play has completed for their age division. At that time either the player or one parent can come back to our scoring area to receive the medal or trophy.

- Walk-on's will be allowed to check in at registration but will not be allowed to use the practice facility unless they are given a spot in the event. We will ask for the player's cell phone number so we can contact them if a spot becomes available. Walk-on's are required to wait in their car until the tournament director confirms that a spot is available.

- Sanitizing stations will be displayed at the starting hole and the scoring area. Players are also encouraged to bring their own sanitizer for personal use during the event.
- The SCPGA Junior Tour may ask players a series of health related questions prior to the event.
- If a player is experiencing a fever, cough, or other symptoms related to COVID-19, we ask that they please stay home.
- Please avoid touching your mouth, nose, lips, and eyes during the event.
- Wash your hands frequently or use sanitizer if washing is not an available option.
- Players are asked to refrain from the traditional handshake or hug prior to and after the round.
- Familiarize yourself and follow best practices issued by the [Center for Disease Control](#) (CDC), [World Health Organization](#) (WHO), and state/local governments