RìGA Rhode Island Golf A COVID-19 Local Rules

Rhode Island Golf Association Weekly Program

The following Local Rules will be in effect at all RIGA Weekly events until the Committee deems them unnecessary. These rules are in addition to the information given to players before each event.

GENERAL PLAYER INFORMATION

- Do NOT play if you feel sick or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 14 days.

- Please maintain social distancing.

- Flagsticks are allowed to be removed and bunker rakes should be out on the golf course to use. ***NOTE*** While these restrictions have been lifted, they may change on a club by club basis. Make sure to carefully read the tip sheet that's emailed before each event to know the exact rules for the club you will be playing at.

Arrival – Players are NOT allowed to arrive at the golf course more than **30 minutes** prior to their starting time. If a player arrives to the facility prior to this time, he or she must stay at one's vehicle. The player may use the time to change shoes, stretch and otherwise prepare for the round.

Masks – Should be worn on and around the first tee, any time you set foot into the clubhouse of the host club and when social distancing can't be accomplished. Masks should also be worn when riding in a cart with someone that doesn't live in your household. Please have a mask with you at all times.

Paperwork – All tournament paperwork, including scorecards with handicap allotments, will be provided electronically prior to the tournament. A player is encouraged to **view, read and print** these materials on their own before their round. They **will NOT** be handed out on the first tee.

Scorecards – Group online scoring is mandatory through the use of the USGA Tournament Management app. If a player is unable to online score, the player is encouraged to bring his or her own score-marking materials (i.e., paper and pencil) as *paper scorecards will NOT be given to players. It will be emailed out before the round for the player to print.*

One player in each group is required to enter scores through the app. The group's GGID will be provided to players on the first tee. Players will have until 12 p.m. of the day after the event to have their group's scores entered in the app. Once that deadline passes all scores entered will be considered final.

Food and Beverage: Players should be prepared to bring their own food and drink to events.

Dining or getting drinks in the clubhouse after the round will be on a course-by-course basis and will be communicated prior to each event.

Weather Delays/Course Evacuations

In the event of a suspension of play for a dangerous situation, all players must proceed to their vehicles and take shelter there.

Communication regarding resumption of play and/or further details after the suspension of play will be communicated via text message and email.