

RELEASE OF LIABILITY

In view of the ongoing issues, uncertainty and risks arising from the Corona or Covid 19 Virus all members and participants should understand the WPGA, our sponsors and our host facilities are committed to strict compliance with all applicable government orders and, in addition, to adhering to the best health and safety practices as we understand them. However, all members and participants should understand and acknowledge that available information concerning best health and safety practices is uncertain, imperfect and is subject to change as our health officials acquire new or different information regarding the Corona or Covid 19 Virus, and following best practices as we understand them, as laymen, cannot provide any assurance that members and participants will not be infected or affected by the Corona or Covid 19 Virus as a result of participation in a WPGA event. All procedures and policies set forth in conducting WPGA events shall be subject to change based on any future orders issued by any government authority with jurisdiction and any publicly available health recommendations or guidelines. At each WPGA event It is a requirement that all members and participants shall adhere to all applicable government orders and follow all publicly available health recommendations or guidelines. The WPGA, our sponsors and our host facilities will monitor compliance. Failure to comply with applicable government orders and publicly available health recommendations and guidelines can result in disqualification.

The WPGA is attempting to provide events to accommodate the desires of members and amateurs to engage in beneficial outdoor recreation. However, the WPGA, our sponsors, and our host facilities cannot and DO NOT provide any assurance that such events will be free of risk, including risks associated with the Corona or Covid 19 Virus. Each member and participant must make their own personal determination regarding the risks and benefits of participating in any WPGA event. By participating in a WPGA event, each member and participant understands and agrees that the WPGA, our sponsors and our host facilities provide no promise or assurances regarding the health or safety of those participating in or conducting the event. The WPGA, our sponsors and our host facilities disclaim any responsibility or liability for health impacts, personal injury, liability, costs or damages to members and participants in the event. By participating in a WPGA event each member and participant agrees to hold the WPGA, our sponsors and our host facilities harmless from any health impacts, personal injury, liability, costs or damages incurred as a consequence of participating in the event, including health impacts, personal injury, liability, costs or damages arising or resulting from the Corona or Covid 19 virus or similar virus.

ENTRY FEES & WITHDRAWALS – ILL OR COVID-19 RELATED

- If a player is feeling ill, been exposed to someone that has Covid-19 or are diagnosed with Covid-19 they should withdraw. The participant will be provided a full refund.

RULES OF GOLF ADJUSTMENTS

- **HOLED** – Definition of Holed has been expanded
“When the ball is at rest within the circumference of the hole.”
OR the traditional definition
“When the ball is at rest in the hole after your stroke and the entire ball is below the surface of the putting green.”
- **BUNKERS** – Regardless if rakes are on the golf course or not, all qualifiers will use preferred lies in bunkers. The ball must be placed in the bunker within 1 club length not nearer to the hole than that spot. Otherwise players may use the unplayable ball rule to get out of the bunker.

RULES OF GOLF - CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY INSTITUTED UNDER 1.2b.

- **FLAGSTICK** – The flagstick is fixed in the hole and **MUST NOT** be deliberately touched or removed by any player. Pool noodles will be placed in the hole as a precaution. If a player needs to straighten the flagstick they should do so with their club.
- **SOCIAL DISTANCING** – Players should practice social distancing at all times. Any blatant disregard for social distancing will also fall under the code of conduct policy and be subject to penalty.
- **GOLF CARS** – A breach of the golf car rules will fall under the code of conduct policy.
- **ELECTRONIC SCORING** – A refusal to electronic score will fall under the code of conduct policy.

- **MUSIC** – A local rule has been put in place under rule 1.2b to address a violation of playing of music during the round. The policy does not exempt a player from receiving the general penalty under the prohibited actions in rule 4.3a (4).

The following penalty structure has been put in place to address violations under the Code of Conduct.

First Breach – Warning Second Breach – One-Stroke Penalty Third Breach – Disqualification.

All other serious misconduct violations would fall under rule 1.2a.

OTHER IMPORTANT POLICIES & INFORMATION

- **WALKING OR RIDING** – Players may walk or ride in a golf car. If players elect to walk they may carry their own bag, use a caddie or use a push cart (with or without a caddie).
- **Only players will be allowed to ride in the golf cars.** The WPGA will work with the host club and attempt to provide Single rider golf cars if capacity allows. In advance the WPGA will solicit players for their plans to walk or ride and their single rider / double rider preference. Players will then be informed of the riding situation at least 24 hours in advance.
- **NO SPECTATOR GOLF CARS.** If capacity allows, host courses may allow carts for disabled/handicapped individuals at their own discretion, please inquire with the facility a day in advance of the qualifier.
- **\$25 ONSITE FEE** – All players are required to pay a \$25 onsite fee upon arrival to the course. The onsite fee will be paid in the golf shop and includes golf car and range balls. The fee is mandatory whether you walk or ride.
- **CADDIES** – All caddies must agree to our Release of Liability. Players should forward this link to their caddie to agree to the waiver electronically - <https://form.jotform.com/201904724223144>. Any caddie not taking care of it in advance will have to sign a paper form onsite.
- **SPECTATORS** – All spectators **MUST** be immediate family members of the player.
- **SCORING** – Players will be scoring the event electronically via our Wisconsin PGA App. **All players will need a smartphone or mobile device with internet in order to do so.** We ask all players to come prepared and download the App in advance. Players will be provided a paper scorecard as a backup in case of an electronic failure.
- **ENTRY FEES AFTER QUALIFICATION** – If you are included in the players that do qualify and have a credit card on file it will be charged automatically after play is completed. If you do not have a credit card on file you will be emailed a link to complete your payment. Amateurs will pay \$75, PGA Affiliated Players \$115 and Non-PGA Professionals \$190 upon qualification.
- **DRESS CODE – Male Contestants:** Proper attire may consist of Bermuda length shorts or dress trousers, and a golf shirt. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, athletic shorts, cut off shorts, tank tops, tee shirts or anything of that nature **WILL NOT** be permitted.
- **All Caddies:** Proper attire may consist of golf shorts or dress trousers, and a golf shirt. The wearing of jeans, cargo shorts, athletic shorts, cut off shorts, tank tops, tee shirts or anything of that nature **WILL NOT** be permitted.
- **HOLE LOCATIONS & LOCAL RULES** – On the day of the Hole Locations and Local rules will **ONLY** be available via the WPGA App. All players will receive a copy of each document in advance via email.
- **RESULTS** – Players are encouraged to follow along on the WPGA website or App. There will be no physical scoreboard.
- **HAND SANITIZER** – The WPGA encourages players to bring their own hand sanitizer.
- **DRINKING WATER** – The WPGA encourages players to come prepared and bring their own drinking water.

WEATHER DELAYS

- Players will be asked to wait out weather delays in their car. It is recommended that players go directly to their car. If a car is not available they may wait out the delay in the clubhouse in a social distanced area.
- Communication on a restart time will be conveyed via text and email.
- No practice will be allowed before the restart.