



**MIDWEST**  
*Junior Tour*

**2025**  
**PLAYERS Manual**

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## **FOUNDING PARTNERS**

The Midwest Junior Tour (MWJT), formerly known as the Southwest Missouri Junior Golf Association (SMJGA), was founded in 2002 by Alan Cummins at Horton Smith Golf Course, Springfield, MO. The SMJGA operated successfully for over twenty years before it merged with the Midwest PGA in 2025 to form the Midwest PGA Junior Tour.

MWPGAJT now serves as an umbrella organization for all junior programs managed by the Midwest PGA and PGA REACH Midwest. PGA REACH Midwest, the 501(c)(3) charitable foundation of the Midwest PGA, is dedicated to positively impacting youth, military personnel, and diverse communities by expanding access to the Midwest PGA, its professionals, and the game of golf.

### **Showing Appreciation of Support**

The Midwest Junior Tour wouldn't be possible without the generous contributions of sponsors and courses, and our extensive schedule of programs and events would not be possible without them.

All juniors are encouraged to take a moment at each event and personally thank the host professionals for their support. Many individuals also give freely of their time to assist with all Midwest Junior Tour events; a simple thank you reminds them how much they are appreciated.

### **Membership Criteria/Dues**

Midwest Junior Tour membership is open to boys and girls beginning at age 7 and extends through the summer following the golfer's graduation from secondary school. There is one Midwest Junior Tour Membership option for all juniors, regardless of age.

#### **Midwest Junior Tour Membership (\$55.00 yearly fee)**

- Access to area Jr. Tournament Schedule and registration
- Access to Two-Day Championship Tournament with a reduced entry fee
- Access to yearly participation and point total leader contests
- Select events with Tee Gifts
- Player profile and statistics through the BlueGolf console for the Midwest Junior Tour
  - Members have access to the Midwest Junior Tour app (free on our app store)
- Awards for all divisions: Top 3 places

**\*\*** Any junior golfer has the option to play up an age division but never down a division. One must remain in that older division and can only be awarded points for the division in which they compete for that event. After the completion of the event, you may return to your age division for the next event.

**All dues** are paid annually and are non-refundable. You must be a registered and paying member before registering for tournaments or events.

# GENERAL GUIDELINES AND POLICIES

## Eligibility

The Midwest PGA Junior Tour is open to all Boys and Girls ages 7-19 who are not currently attending college. Players who have graduated from high school may play the summer before they begin college in the fall. The Midwest PGA Junior Tour is open to all junior golfers, and is NOT limited to local residents only.

The age group you will compete in is determined by your age as of September 1 for the calendar year.

## Golf Course Set-Up

<b>Age</b>	<b>Gender</b>	<b>Yardage</b>	<b>Holes</b>
<b>9U years</b>	Male & Female	1,400 – 1,700 yards	6 holes
<b>10-12 years</b>	Female	2,200 – 2,500 yards	9 holes
<b>10-12 years</b>	Male	2,200 – 2,500 yards	9 holes
<b>13-15 years</b>	Female	Around 5,000 yards	18 holes
<b>13-15 years</b>	Male	6,000 - 6,400 yards	18 holes
<b>16+ years</b>	Female	5,000 – 5,900 yards	18 holes
<b>16+ years</b>	Male	Around 6,400+ yards	18 holes

\*\* The teeing area for each age group should be appropriately identified.

## Practice Rounds

Not offered by Midwest Junior Tour; practice rounds are available at the host facility's discretion.

## Practice Facility

Practice facilities generally open 30 min-1 hour before tee times start. Please don't arrive to the facility more than one hour before your tee time. Practice facilities along with their fees vary from course to course.

## Spectator Carts

It is at the discretion of the host facility to allow spectator carts at all. Some facilities may require handicap or medical documentation. Rates may vary by facility.

Based on feedback from host facilities, spectator cart fees are approximately \$20-\$30 for 18-holes and \$15-\$20 for 9-holes.

## Event Deadlines

The deadline is 11:59 pm CST on the deadline date (6-7 days prior to the event). The reason for this amount of time is to communicate with the host facility and the participants so they know the tee times well in advance. To remain PCI compliant, Midwest Junior Tour is not able to accept registrations by phone or email and **no late registrations will be accepted.**

\*\*Please see the PCI compliance sheet at the end of the manual.

## **Tournament Acceptance Notice**

Players will be notified by Midwest Junior Tour of their tournament status (secured a spot in the starting field or on the waiting list) no later than five (5) days before the start of the tournament. It is the player's responsibility to log on to the Midwest Junior Tour website to check the starting field and write down their starting time and/or tee. Registration for all events closes at 11:59 pm CST on the deadline date (6-7 days prior to the event).

## **Pairings**

Registration for each event closes 6-7 days prior to the event at 11:59 pm and pairings will be completed, posted on the Midwest Junior Tour website and emailed to the participants no later than 2 days after the tournament entry deadline. **NOTE: pairings are sent to the email the juniors signed up with in their player profile.**

## **Alternates**

In the event of the competition being oversubscribed, the order of alternate players will be determined on a first-come, first-served basis. This will be done immediately after the closing date for entries. All successful entrants will be notified without delay. Any unsuccessful entrants may be given an opportunity to compete if withdrawals subsequently occur or if there are any openings. Midwest Junior Tour has the authority to make any entry decisions. Entry fees will not be charged to those entrants on the waiting list who do not make it into the tournament.

## **Refunds**

If you contact Midwest Junior Tour prior to an event deadline, you are eligible for a refund. Following a deadline, the fee will be refunded in the case of injury (Dr. note required), illness (Dr. note required), death of a family member (or any specific instances approved by Midwest Junior Tour) if requested prior to the event. No refunds will be given for any reason after the start of an event. Prior to a deadline, your fee may be applied to another event. After a deadline, fees are not transferable. A small service charge will be deducted from **all** refunds.

## **Credits**

To avoid transaction fees, you may request a credit to your BlueGolf account. These credits must be used by the end of the calendar year, after which any unused balance will be reinvested into the Midwest PGA Junior Tour.

Credits earned through the SMJGA will remain valid until December 1, 2026. Any remaining balance after this date will also be reinvested into the Midwest PGA Junior Tour.

## **Rules of Golf & Etiquette**

Copies of the tournament rules and conditions of competitions, known as the "Hard Card", is available on [midwest.pga.com](http://midwest.pga.com).

Staff and/or volunteers, which may include parents (see Midwest Junior Tour Spectator Policy, Appendix), may be assigned to monitor play for 9u-12 year olds. Midwest Junior Tour staff or the site director will assist to help with questions and keep the pace-of-play consistent

throughout the course.

The USGA Rules and Interpretations of the rules will be used at each event. Rules officials and staff members will be on site to help teach and enforce the rules in attempts to protect the field. Parents, please help your child understand the basic rules and etiquette of the game. When a player is uncertain of a rule, he/she shall proceed under USGA Rule 20.1c. (Playing Two Balls).

### **Player Code of Conduct**

Rule 1.2b, covering the code of conduct, is modified in this way: Any player that engages in conduct detrimental to the integrity and image of the game of golf and/or public confidence in the Midwest Junior Tour is subject to penalty. Such conduct may include, but is not limited to, intentional damage to the golf course or the player's equipment; club throwing; verbal or physical abuse of spectators, officials, volunteers, or staff; blatant or excessive profanity; disorderly behavior; failure to abide by club rules; leaving the course during a competitive round without permission from the host professional or a Midwest Junior Tour official; or any other unbecoming conduct.

#### ***Penalty for Breach of Code of Conduct:***

- First breach - **Warning**
- Second breach - **General Penalty** for the hole during which the breach occurs. If the breach occurs between the play of two holes, it applies to the next hole.
- Third breach or any serious misconduct – **Disqualification**

\*\*\*Please notify the Midwest Junior Tour Site Director and or Midwest Junior Tour Director if any of the above actions take place.

### **No Show Policy**

Players who fail to show up for an event without notifying the Midwest PGA Junior Tour office in advance will be automatically withdrawn from their next event and charged the full entry fee. A second no-show will result in withdrawal from all remaining events without a refund.

Exceptions to this policy may be granted in special circumstances at the discretion of the Midwest PGA Junior Tour office.

This policy is in place to ensure fairness for dedicated players. Many tournaments have waiting lists, and no-shows prevent other players from having the opportunity to compete.

### **Suspension of Play, Evacuation, Cancellation**

An evacuation plan will be readily available set forth by the host facility. If suspension of play occurs, the club procedure should be followed with information provided from the host facility concerning the plan of action.

The Midwest Junior Tournament director or the head professional has the authority to call an event and pull competitors off the golf course in case of inclement weather. The Midwest

Junior Tour Director will work with the head professional in evacuating the course and determining when play should continue. In the event of lightning or other dangerous situations, play will be suspended until conditions are safe.

If play is unable to resume after a weather delay, the event may be reduced to a certain amount of holes if every player had the opportunity to play the same holes (see below). If no player has begun to play and an event is canceled, all players will receive a full tournament refund. There will be no refunds if a player can't play in a delayed tee time due to scheduling conflicts. All players have the ability to transfer funds to another event or the same event if rescheduled. If the tournament is canceled during play, the Midwest Junior Tour reserves the right to retain a full entry fee.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY:** For 18-Hole competitors, if every player within a division does not complete all 18 holes in either round 1 or 2, scores will revert to the first 9 holes. If less than 9 holes are completed, the round does not count.

For 9-Hole competitors, if every player within a division does not complete all 9 holes in either round 1 or 2, the round does not count.

Please check emails for messages prior to the event in the case of inclement weather. Midwest Junior Tour staff will contact the host facility and email players if there is a change or cancellation of an event.

### **Player Check-In**

Generally speaking, registration will be held at the tournament site starting approximately 60 minutes prior to the first tee time. Participants must register at the designated registration area prior to the first round. Players must then report to their starting tee 10 minutes prior to their starting time.

### **Check-In Table**

#### **What to expect at the Registration Table**

- All players and guests will be welcomed
- Players will be directed to the practice area
- Competitors and guest will be provided with starting time/hole
  - Note: Arrive to the first tee 10 minutes prior to your tee time
- Players be provided with general information such as Food & Beverage options, restroom location and more
- Shotgun Event:
  - Competitors will be informed when and where opening announcements will take place

### **Time of Starting**

It is recommended that players always double-check their tee time. The penalty for failure to show up on time is two-strokes or possible disqualification. (Please refer to [Rule 5.3a](#) for more information.)

## **Caddies**

### **18-Hole Participants (NOT ALLOWED)**

Caddies (parents/family members/friends/spectators serving as caddies or giving advice) are prohibited and all contestants must walk but pull/push carts are permitted.

### **9-Hole Participants (ALLOWED)**

Players are allowed to have a caddie in tournament play. We invite parents, relatives or instructors the opportunity to teach, bond and enjoy the game with their junior golfer. All contestants must walk and may either carry their bag, or have their caddie carry it for them (Golf bags may NOT be transported on golf carts). This program also serves to teach our beginners the rules and etiquette on the golf course while helping us maintain a safe and fun tournament. The use of caddies for our younger junior golfers helps with pace of play and provides the opportunity to help educate the golfers as they are making their transition into tournament golf.

Caddies CAN NOT:

- Stand behind the player while he or she makes a stroke
- Give advice to other players
- Be overbearing or cause distractions to the other players/caddies

Caddies are allowed and recommended to:

- Help your player hit their shot within a reasonable amount of time
- Beat your player to their ball and help quickly prepare them for the upcoming stroke
- Have the player's club and yardage ready before the player reaches their ball
- Help maintain the upkeep of the course (replacing divots, fixing ball marks, etc.)
- Help keep things fun for ALL competitors

**\*\* Please do not over-coach or over-assist the player. Caddies are allowed for the sole purpose of helping the junior golfer learn to play and enjoy their own game! \*\***

## **Transportation & Rangefinders**

ALL junior golfers must walk during their round. Participants may ONLY accept a ride when warranted by a tournament official. Nobody is ever allowed on the back of a golf cart (including parents). Golf bags may NOT be transported on golf carts. If an emergency arises, please call the rules phone number. Devices measuring distance only are permitted. Features used to gauge other factors such as slope, wind, temperature, etc. must be disabled.

## **Golf Carts**

Motorized carts are not allowed at any Midwest Junior Tour event for use by participants without preapproved medical documentation. Contact Midwest Junior Tour beforehand if this pertains. Pull/push carts may be used by participants unless otherwise directed by the facility.

## **Pace of Play**

The Midwest Junior Tour Timing Pace of Play Policy will be in effect. As a recommendation to improve each group's pace of play, the following guidelines as laid out by the Midwest Junior Tour will be implemented.

1. Play ready golf safely throughout your entire round.
2. Must, Must, May...
  - **Must** - The first player to finish playing a hole **MUST** immediately grab their bag and start making their way to the next tee. In doing this, the player walking ahead is expected to be quiet and courteous to his/her fellow competitors. The player should periodically look back to watch the other players' shots.
  - **Must** - This player **MUST** be the first person to play from the next teeing ground. This player must be getting their yardage and determining club selection while the other players are finishing the previous hole and walking to the tee.
  - **May** - This player **MAY** tee off if he/she chooses to. All players must confirm scores on the previous hole prior to leaving the tee.
3. When spotters, officials or parents are available to help search for a lost ball, other players in the group will go forward to play their next shot in an attempt to maintain the group's position on the golf course. After advancing their ball, the entire group may search for the remainder of the three minutes (time allowed to look for a ball).
4. Walk with a purpose between shots and from green to tee.

## **Player Responsibilities During and After the Round**

All players are to protect the field during tournament play. A player or player's scorekeeper (marker) must not sign a scorecard that he/she believes is incorrect.

A player shall not permit any score to be posted that he/she has evidence is incorrect. Players shall not leave the scoring area until, as a group, they reconcile, sign and attest all scorecards. Both the player and the marker may be subject to disqualification if they knowingly sign an incorrect scorecard.

Please remember it is the responsibility of the players, not the parents or spectators to verify scorecards. If players have difficulty confronting fellow competitors directly, please talk to a rules official or tournament director prior to signing scorecards.

- Both the marker and the player must sign the scorecard (two signatures)
- Each player should check his/her score for each hole
- Players must remain in the scoring area until the officials check their scorecards; the Committee (scoring official) is responsible for the addition of scores (Rule 3.3b(4))
- Address the scoring official if you have any rules questions
- Only Midwest Junior Tour officials and the players for each group are allowed in the scoring area; parents, friends, family, etc., must stay out of the scoring area
- A scorecard is considered officially "returned" when the player has left the scoring area



## **Player Expectations**

### **Etiquette**

- Be respectful and courteous to the host course, fellow competitors and tournament staff
- Stand still and be quiet when someone is playing
- Be ready to play
- Replace divots and repair ball marks
- Watch errant golf shots and help search when time allows
- Use appropriate language and self-regulation methods after undesirable shots

### **On the Tee**

- Stand to the side when players are swinging
- Use a unique identification mark to identify balls

### **In the Sand**

- Enter and exit bunkers from the low side
- Leave rakes outside of bunkers, parallel with the line of play
- Rake bunkers smooth when you are finished playing

### **On the Green**

- Place your clubs on the side of the green nearest the next tee
- Repair ball marks
- Place a ball marker directly behind your ball
- Walk to your ball and putt without stepping or standing on anyone's line of putt

### **After the Round**

- Thank volunteers and the host course staff

## **Midwest Junior Tour Maximum Score Stroke Policy**

The Midwest Junior Tour wants its golf tournaments to be enjoyable for all involved. Therefore, to maintain a level of competitiveness, a stroke limit has been established for certain divisions in certain events. This policy is not meant to discourage players from competing, but to ensure a high level of competition and reduce the amount of time required to play an event. See Rule 21.2.

Note: Players will be notified if an event does not implement this rule.

Players in **ALL** age divisions are limited to **10 strokes** per hole, including whiffs, unless notified otherwise by the committee before an event.

## **Awards**

There are eight (8) total divisions which will receive awards for 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place. Those divisions are as follows:

<b><i>Boy's Divisions</i></b>	<b><i>Girl's Divisions</i></b>
9U years old	9U years old
10-12 years old	10-12 years old
13-15 years old	13-15 years old
16+ years old	16+ years old

Medals/trophies will be presented by the Midwest Junior Tour Site Director or Midwest Junior Tour staff on the day of the event.

At the completion of play in each division, medals will be presented by the Midwest Junior Tour staff member. Medals are to be awarded as First Place, Second Place and Third Place in the eight separate divisions. Even if there are only one or two participants in each age group, the appropriate place medals will be awarded. This formal recognition is important not only to the players, but also parents and interested observers. An awards ceremony will be staged, complete with announcements, names of the winners and photographs.

## **Tiebreaking & Playoffs**

In the event of a tie in a regular tour stroke play competition, 1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> place ties will be broken by a scorecard playoff for medalizing purposes (even though they may have all tied for first place points wise). The season points will be split depending on how many players tie for that place (See example below).

Ex: If 3 players tie for first in a regular event, they obtain the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish. The points for those finishing places (50, 42, 37) are added up and divided by 3. So, each player would receive 43 points for their 'tied for first place' finish.

## **Midwest Junior Tour Championship/Point System**

Points as of midnight on the day of the last event of the summer season for the 18-hole and 9-hole divisions will determine eligibility. The Midwest Junior Tour's point evaluation system is used to establish objective criteria by which the Midwest Junior Tour and its founding partners can judge the performance of golfers who participate in Midwest Junior Tour competitions. Points will be awarded to each participant in every event and a running total will be kept on [midwest.pga.com](http://midwest.pga.com). The point system is as follows for Midwest Junior Tour events:

## ***Regular Event Points***

Place	Points	Place	Points
1	<b>50</b>	16	<b>16</b>
2	<b>42</b>	17	<b>15</b>
3	<b>37</b>	18	<b>14</b>
4	<b>32</b>	19	<b>13</b>
5	<b>30</b>	20	<b>12</b>
6	<b>28</b>	21	<b>11</b>
7	<b>26</b>	22	<b>10</b>
8	<b>24</b>	23	<b>9</b>
9	<b>23</b>	24	<b>8</b>
10	<b>22</b>	25	<b>7</b>
11	<b>21</b>	26	<b>6</b>
12	<b>20</b>	27	<b>5</b>
13	<b>19</b>	28	<b>4</b>
14	<b>18</b>	29	<b>3</b>
15	<b>17</b>	30	<b>2</b>

- 31<sup>st</sup> place and lower will receive 1 point

## ***2-Day Event Points***

Place	Points	Place	Points
1	<b>75</b>	16	<b>24</b>
2	<b>63</b>	17	<b>22.5</b>
3	<b>55.5</b>	18	<b>21</b>
4	<b>48</b>	19	<b>19.5</b>
5	<b>45</b>	20	<b>18</b>
6	<b>42</b>	21	<b>16.5</b>
7	<b>39</b>	22	<b>15</b>
8	<b>36</b>	23	<b>13.5</b>
9	<b>34.5</b>	24	<b>12</b>
10	<b>33</b>	25	<b>10.5</b>
11	<b>31.5</b>	26	<b>9</b>
12	<b>30</b>	27	<b>7.5</b>
13	<b>28.5</b>	28	<b>6</b>
14	<b>27</b>	29	<b>4.5</b>
15	<b>25.5</b>	30	<b>3</b>

- 31<sup>st</sup> place and lower will receive 1.5 points

## **Midwest Junior Tour Dress Code**

The Midwest Junior Tour takes great pride in the quality of its players and host facilities. To continue to develop and expand the outstanding relationship that the Midwest Junior Tour has developed with its host facilities, Midwest Junior Tour contestants must adhere to the Midwest Junior Tour Dress Code. Please note that the Midwest Junior Tour tournament staff has the right to deem other attire to be improper, even if it does not appear on this list:

- The dress code must be observed by all players.
- Players in violation will not be allowed to tee off.
- Should a host facility have a stricter dress code, its policy will take precedence.
- Questionable attire will be reviewed by the onsite Tournament Committee.
- Proper attire is required at all times at the host facility.

### **Dress Code/Appropriate Attire**

- Hats/visors must be worn with brim forward.
- Males should remove their hats whenever indoors.
- Collared, sleeved shirts must be worn and tucked in at all times. "Mock-turtlenecks" are acceptable.
- Male's shorts must be appropriate length or may wear long pants
- Women's fashion shirts without a collar are acceptable
- Women's tops that are sold as "golf" wardrobe are allowed
- Slacks and shorts must be hemmed at the bottom and NOT frayed
- Women's fashion shirts should not rise above the belt line at any time during the golf swing
- Women's shorts or fashion/golf skorts must be at least finger-tip length when arms are extended straight down one's sides – or knee-length or below shorts, capris or pants
- \*\*Midwest Junior Tour has the authority to make any attire decisions at their discretion

### **Prohibited Attire**

- Tank tops and T-shirts
- Low-cut V-necks
- Shirts with offensive language or pictures
- Shirts, hats or golf bags with any alcohol, tobacco or drug references
- Golf shoes with metal golf spikes
- Slacks or shorts with holes, tears and/or frayed ends
- Denim shorts, short shorts, spandex, cut-off shorts, gym shorts or jeans

\*\*The tournament director has sole discretion regarding participants clothing. If a player is found in violation of the Dress Code at the start of a round or during the round, he/she will be required to conform to the dress code prior to teeing off or continuing play. Failure to comply will result in disqualification and removal from the course. \*\*

## **Cell Phone Policy of Players**

A player may only use devices that do not make audible noise. If a player's phone makes an audible noise (including vibrations which can be heard) during the stipulated round, the player will receive one warning. Subsequent offenses may result in disqualification. Players are encouraged to use their cell phones to contact the tournament director in emergency situations or rulings. The tournament director may assist with rulings over the phone and will be able to quickly respond to on-course issues when made aware via cell phone. Distracting cell phone use during a stipulated round is considered unbecoming conduct and the tournament committee may disqualify a player under Rule 1.2a for a serious misconduct and may reject a player's entry in future events. Spectators who misuse cell phones will be asked to leave the course.

## **Midwest Junior Tour Spectator Policy**

We realize that it is enjoyable for friends and family members to watch junior golfers and the Midwest Junior Tour encourages spectators at all Midwest Junior Tour events. However, to ensure safety and an enjoyable overall tournament experience, and in keeping with the traditional role of a spectator, so as not to interfere with any player on the course, we require all spectators to follow set guidelines. Each spectator attends a Midwest Junior Tour event at his/her own risk. These guidelines should be followed throughout the entire tournament and will be strictly enforced for the welfare of the players.

- Spectators and parents, except those volunteers acting in an official capacity, are not allowed in the scoring area.
- Walk only on the cart paths or in the rough where cart paths are not available. Always be aware of other groups on the course. (i.e. don't hold up the group behind you.)
- Golf carts will only be allowed at the discretion of the host facility.
- All spectators shall stay a reasonable distance away from the junior golfers at all times
  - Do **NOT** walk alongside the junior golfers during play or to the next teeing ground.
  - Do **NOT** talk with the players in a way that may be construed as giving advice, resulting in a penalty for the player.
  - Do **NOT** attempt to give rulings or advice. There are several rules officials on the course to provide the players with assistance if they need it. Spectators may help a player call the rules phone number if needed.
- Spectators are encouraged to look for balls. This should be done with no other interaction with the player.
- Disrespect to tournament officials, volunteers and other players will not be tolerated and could be subject to removal of the event and subject to suspension from future events.
  - Obscene, abusive or vulgar language will not be tolerated.
  - Interfering with discussions on rulings and scores will not be permitted.
  - Distracting play by loud talking with other spectators and use of camera, cellular phones, radios, or beepers during competition is strictly prohibited. Cameras and/or video cameras may be used if they do not cause a distraction to the players.
- Spectators are asked to encourage all participants with polite clapping.

### **Advice and Communication with Players**

At no time during the event shall advice be given to a competitor during his/her tournament rounds. Quoting from the Rules of Golf, "Any verbal comment or action that is intended to influence a player." **The general penalty for a breach of Rule 10.2 is two strokes in Stroke Play.** Please be aware of this rule and avoid talking to players as much as possible as it may be perceived as giving the player advice. Spectators who need to talk with a player should do so in front of other spectators and/or players. Spectators are allowed to carry medicine, umbrellas, jackets, water, towels and food for the players and provide them when necessary. However, at no point can a spectator carry a player's golf bag or clubs while on the course.

**\*\*Parental or spectator interference may result in disqualification of the related participant. Warnings might not be issued. This policy has been adopted to protect the players and the field. Any continued non-compliance with these policies will result in being asked to leave the course and possibly a loss of future spectating privileges. \*\***

### **Spectator Dress Code**

All spectators must wear appropriate attire. Please be aware of and adhere to the host facility's dress code.

### **Cell Phone Policy for Spectators**

Please turn all cell phones off or to a silent/vibrate-only setting. Please be aware of and adhere to the host facility's cell phone policy. All calls should be made in an area where play will not be disturbed.

### **Watching Golf**

Spectators are encouraged to stay AHEAD of the group you are accompanying. This will aid in ball searches and speed up play as spectators are encouraged to search for lost balls. Stay on cart paths at all times. If cart paths are unavailable, stay well off in the rough. A spectator should never be observing from the fairway. Please pay attention to other groups on neighboring holes. Always be aware of your surroundings and the possibility that a ball might land in your vicinity.

## **PCI Compliance Policy**

Dear Midwest Junior Tour Families,

Cyber security has become headline news lately with a number of industries taking credit card information being hacked with card information being stolen. In order to ensure your credit card information is secure the PGA of America along with its' partner organizations (Midwest Junior Tour) utilized Presidio Cyber Security to conduct a PCI (Payment Card Industry) compliance evaluation.

To protect your financial information and privacy, we need to make some changes to the way we interact with your credit card information. At this time, the Midwest Junior Tour is establishing information handling standards related to our member and guest information, including a strict prohibition against accessing or interacting with your credit card information in any form or medium. To reduce the risk of unauthorized disclosure or loss, all credit card information must now be processed only through our event service provider –BlueGolf.

### **How does this affect you?**

\*We will no longer be able to accept credit/debit cards onsite, over the phone, or via email for any Section tournament or event.

\*All credit/debit card transactions will need to be done through BlueGolf.

We know there will be a learning curve for all of us and we are happy to answer any questions that you might have on this issue. We will still be available to offer assistance in getting you registered for any tournament. Once our review and training process is complete, we will communicate any additional information to you as needed.

Thank you for your patience during this transition and continued support of the Midwest Junior Tour.

*Adam Greeno*

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