

THE TORONTO GOLF CLUB GENERAL INFORMATION

COLT COURSE INFORMATION

PLAYING HOURS FOR MEN

Life, Resident, Restricted Play, Non-Resident, Resident Intermediate, Restricted Play Resident Intermediate, Intermediate Associate and Restricted Play Intermediate Associate Players may play at any time, except Tuesday mornings at the discretion of the starter.

PLAYING HOURS FOR WOMEN

Life, Resident, Restricted Play, Non-Resident, Resident Intermediate, Restricted Play Resident Intermediate, Intermediate Associate and Restricted Play Intermediate Associate Players may play at any time on weekdays. On Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, play may begin at 10:30 a.m. (Three-ball and four-ball games are preferred. All groups are expected to maintain the pace of the field). Women (Full Privileges) categories may play at any time.

On special days when tournament activity will limit Women's completion of their golf round, they will be allowed to tee off beginning at 9:00 a.m. These dates change yearly, please refer to your information booklet for details.

NON-RESIDENT PLAYERS (WOMEN & MEN)

Non-Resident players are limited to seven rounds a year on the Colt course. Unlimited play on the Watson course. These seven rounds include Club matches and tournaments.

RESTRICTED PLAYERS (WOMEN & MEN)

Restricted players are limited to ten rounds a year on the Colt course. Unlimited play on the Watson course. These ten rounds include Club matches and tournaments.

INTERMEDIATE PLAYERS

Resident Intermediate, Restricted Play Resident Intermediate, Intermediate Associate and Restricted Play Intermediate Associate players follow the rules as set out above.

TWO BALL MATCHES

On Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays, April through September inclusive, two ball matches are not permitted to commence play between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Club tournaments are excluded from this rule.

FOUR BALL MATCHES

During May, June and July, Monday to Friday inclusive, four ball matches must be on the tee before 3:30 p.m.

During August and September, Monday to Friday inclusive, four ball matches must be on the tee before 3:00 p.m.

Four ball matches are not permitted to play before 8:00 a.m. on Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

WATSON COURSE INFORMATION

PLAYING HOURS FOR MEN

All players may play the 9 Hole Course at any time EXCEPT Tuesdays when play may NOT begin before 11:00 a.m.

PLAYING HOURS FOR WOMEN

All players may play at any time.

PLAYING HOURS FOR JUNIOR AND JUVENILE ASSOCIATES

Junior and Juvenile Associates may play the 9 Hole Course at any time EXCEPT Tuesdays when play may NOT begin before 11:00 a.m.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS

COLT COURSE

During the season, a player may introduce up to three guests at any time throughout the week; however, a player with three guests shall tee off prior to 2:00 p.m. On weekends and holidays, a player may introduce one guest prior to noon and up to three guests thereafter. Players must play with the guests introduced. Players are reminded that the same individual may not be introduced as a guest on the Colt (and/or Watson and practice facility) course more than a total of six times in any one year regardless of who introduces that particular individual.

The playing privileges of guests over the age of 18 are tied to the playing privileges of the player hosting the guest, regardless of the gender of either; except that male guests cannot play Tuesday mornings (before 11:00 a.m.) or at the discretion of the Starter. For example, subject to the paragraph above, a (Full Privileges) Resident Woman Player may host male or female guests over the age of 18 at any time, except male guests cannot play on Tuesday mornings (before 11:00 a.m.); and a Resident Man Player may host male or female guests over the age of 18 at any time, except Tuesday mornings (before 11:00 a.m.).

The playing privileges of guests under the age of 19 are defined by the playing privileges of Junior Associates.

All pairings with three guests shall tee-off from the first tee. It is the responsibility of the player to assure that any group he/she brings with guests maintains its position on the course.

WATSON COURSE

A player may introduce up to three guests to play on the Watson course (9 Hole Course) at any time. Players are reminded that the same individual may not be introduced as a guest on the Watson (and/or Colt) course and practice facility more than a total of six times in any one year regardless of who introduces that particular individual. The lowest age limit for children on the Watson course is five however, children under the age of 10 must be accompanied at all times by an adult member. Players must play with guests introduced.

MINI TOURNAMENTS

The definition of a Mini Tournament is a match/tournament arranged by a player which consists of 13 or more golfers. A written request to hold such a tournament must be submitted to the General Manager & C.O.O. for a decision at least one month in advance. The request must include the purpose, date and time. If guests are included, there must be a player in each foursome. Furthermore, the organizing player will be responsible for any guest expenses (green fees, power cart fees, etc.), dress code compliance and will ensure that the Club's Rules of Golf Etiquette are observed.

JUNIOR ASSOCIATES

All Junior Associate 'A' players may play the Colt course at any time EXCEPT Tuesdays, Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays before 11:00 a.m.

The playing privileges of guests of Junior Associates are tied to the playing privileges of the Junior Associate hosting the guest, regardless of the gender of either. For example, Junior Associate 'A' players may host male or female guests over the age of 12 on the Colt course during the times set out in the paragraph above, and on the Watson course at any time except Tuesdays before 11:00 a.m.

Junior Associate 'B' players may host male or female guests over the age of 10 on the Watson course at any time except Tuesdays before 11:00 a.m.

All Junior Associate players are classed as 'B' players until they qualify to play the 18 Hole course and become an 'A' player. To become an 'A' player, the following requirements must be met:

Play 18 holes on the 9-Hole course with someone who has qualified to play the 18-Hole course or a Resident player of the Club. Juniors must notify the Pro Shop in advance of attempting a qualifying round and then return the attested scorecard to the Pro Shop upon completion of the round.

Girls – to qualify, three attested scores of 105 or less, over 18 continuous holes of golf on the 9-Hole course from the red markers are required.

Boys – to qualify, three attested scores of 90 or less, over 18 continuous holes of golf on the 9-Hole course from the blue markers are required.

All scores must be achieved within one playing season.

JUVENILE ASSOCIATES

Children, step-children, grand-children and step-grandchildren of members ages five to nine are eligible to become Juvenile Associate Players. They must be accompanied by an adult member at all times and will have unlimited use of the Watson course. Juvenile Associate Players will have no privileges on the Colt course until they become Junior Associates. They may be involved in golf clinics and camps as available.

SPEED OF PLAY

The Toronto Golf Club has a reputation for prompt play. It is essential that this reputation be maintained. It should be possible for a four-ball match to complete an 18-hole round in under four hours. Observance of the Club's Rules of Golf Etiquette, listed below, will ensure that this aim is achieved.

RULES OF GOLF ETIQUETTE

Rule 1 No player should play until the golfers in front are out of range.

Rule 2 Play without delay on the fairway and particularly on the green.

While your partner or opponent is playing, study your own shot and be ready to play your turn. This procedure will speed up play for all.

Everyone is encouraged to play when ready and not necessarily in order of play.

Rule 3 Players searching for a ball should allow other players coming up to play through and should not continue play until those players have passed out of range.

Rule 4 When the result of a hole has been determined, players should immediately leave the putting green and proceed to the next tee where score can be noted. Player with honour should tee off before recording score.

Rule 5 A faster group should be invited to play through a slower group at any point on the golf course and irrespective of the number of players in each match. A single player has no standing on the course.

REMEMBER: It is not enough to stay ahead of the group behind you, but instead be immediately behind the group ahead of you.

Rule 6 All players are reminded to rake bunkers and to repair all ball marks and divots.

LIGHTNING WARNING POLICY

Lightning is a severe hazard that must be viewed seriously. The Thor Guard Lightning System will be activated if there is a threat of cloud to ground lightning (the most dangerous to golfers) within the area. Players will be warned of a red alert by the following: The system will sound one prolonged blast (15 seconds) signaling suspension of play. Also, strobe lights will flash above the horn clusters. The horn clusters and strobe lights are located to the right of the 16th tee, between the 10th & 11th fairway and to the south side of the Tee House (practice facility). Additional horn clusters (without strobe lights) are located on the Clubhouse roof and at the Maintenance facility. For your safety, lightning protection has been installed at the washroom at the 7th tee and the rain shelter on #16.

All players MUST adhere to the Club's policy of immediately stopping play and seeking shelter when the System is activated and not recommencing play until the System or the Pro Shop has advised that they may do so. The System will sound 3 blasts of 5 seconds each to signify all clear.

This policy applies to the Colt and Watson courses as well as the Practice Tee areas.

In the interest of safety, staff are not permitted to drive golfers to the Clubhouse during a red alert.

THE GOLF CANADA HANDICAP SYSTEM

The purpose of the Golf Canada Handicap System is to make golf more enjoyable by enabling golfers of differing abilities to compete on an equitable basis. It also allows you to measure your golf ability and performance relative to others.

golfers need to understand their responsibilities in order for the Handicap System to be effective. These responsibilities are as follows:

- Always carry a Golf Canada Membership Card with your current Golf Canada Handicap Factor certified by a club official on the reverse.
- Know your Golf Canada Handicap Factor so you can convert it to a Course Handicap before playing.
- Know the number of handicap strokes you are entitled to for the course and tees played.
- Legibly record your hole-by-hole scores on the scorecard.
- Properly adjust your score for Equitable Stroke Control before posting.
- Post a score for every acceptable round as soon as possible after completion of the round so your Golf Canada Handicap Factor is current.
- Contact the Pro Shop or a member of the Golf Committee if you have any questions or problems.

Fair Handicapping is only possible when players submit full and accurate scoring information for all rounds played. Golfers should post the following scores for handicap purposes:

- Scores from 9 and 18-hole rounds, or when 13 or more holes (7 holes for 9-hole rounds) are played.
- Scores made in an area during its 'active season'. Most provinces in Canada have an active season running from April to October.
- Scores from all forms of competition including Stroke and Match Play.
- Scores made at home, away, or out-of-country on courses with a valid Course and Slope rating.
- Scores made under the rules of Golf.

If you start but do not finish a hole (e.g. you picked up, were given a putt or were conceded a hole), record the score you would most likely have made. This is the likely number of strokes, including penalty strokes, it would have taken to finish the hole.

If you don't play a hole (e.g. you stop playing after 13 or more holes), record par plus any handicap strokes to which you are entitled for the remaining holes (based on your Course Handicap). An "X" should precede the score on the scorecard for unfinished holes or holes not played.

For more information on the Golf Canada Handicap System, contact the Pro Shop or any member of the Golf Committee or visit the Golf Canada website at www.golfcanada.ca. Copies of the detailed Golf Canada Handicap System manual, including handicap decisions, are available by calling Golf Canada at 1-800-263-0009.

CLUBHOUSE INFORMATION/DRESS CODE

GUESTS

A member is responsible for any damage or debt incurred by any guests he or she brings to the Club. A guest is governed by the same golf rules and attire standards which a Player is governed.

DRESS CODE

1. The Purpose of the Dress Code is to ensure that sensible, reasonable and appropriate standards are maintained at all times on Club premises.
2. Golf attire should be neat, tailored and consistent with the standards of the Club and tradition of the game of golf.
3. It is unfair to the Directors, Golf Committee, Club staff, Pro Shop and Watson and Colt course starters, to be forced to deal with infractions even though they are authorized to do so.
4. It is the responsibility of every player to ensure that their family members and guests comply with the Dress Code at all times.
5. The Pro Shop is well stocked with suitable clothing and any inadvertent errors may be easily corrected.

DRESS CODE - MEN & JUNIOR BOYS

1. Golf shirts must have a collar or must be a recognized golf shirt design, e.g. mock turtle or turtleneck.
2. Shirts must be tucked into trousers.
3. Tailored trousers or shorts are required. The following are not permitted:
 - a) Rugby pants
 - b) Sweat pants
 - c) Cargo pants or shorts
 - d) Blue jeans or denim pants or shorts

4. Golf shorts are permitted provided that they are tailored and knee length (Bermuda length). Jamaica length and tennis shorts are not permitted.
5. With shorts, only the following socks are permitted and are available in the Pro Shop:
 - a) Proper knee length Bermuda socks with a turned down cuff
 - b) Ankle socks or sockettes
6. Closed toed sandals or deck shoes may be worn on the lawn with or without socks. Socks are required in the formal areas of the Clubhouse.
7. Hats must be worn with the peak facing frontward. Hats are not to be worn in the Clubhouse.
8. Any logos or advertising must be golf related.
9. Metal spiked golf shoes and golf sandals are not permitted.

Players and guests are required to change into golf attire in the Locker Room or Tee House.

DRESS CODE - WOMEN & JUNIOR GIRLS

1. Sleeveless tops are permitted provided they have a collar and conversely, any top worn without a collar must have sleeves. Tank, tube, crop and halter tops are not permitted.
2. Tops must be tucked in except those with banded bottoms.
3. Conservative tailored golf skirts, shorts or pants (including Capri-length) are appropriate. Short skirts or shorts (e.g. tennis length) are not permitted.
4. Jeans, cargo, rugby, sweat and spandex pants/shorts are not permitted.
5. Golf socks must be worn.
6. Caps and visors are not to be worn backwards.
7. Any logos or advertising must be golf related.
8. Metal spiked golf shoes and golf sandals are not permitted.

CLUBHOUSE ATTIRE

1. Golf attire may not be worn in the formal areas of the Club (Drawing Room, Dining Room and Trophy Room) after 6:00 p.m.
2. For private parties in the Dining Room and Trophy Room, men are required to wear a jacket.
3. All players are requested to inform their guests of the Club Dress Code.