

JUNIOR LEAGUE GUIDELINESS - PARENT INVOLVEMENT/ PACE OF PLAY

*** This must be signed and turned into your coach prior to the first match**

PARENT & VOLUNTEER INVOLVEMENT

PGA Junior League Golf, like many other recreational youth sports, was designed to have parents and other volunteers assisting Captains in the administration of their teams. Below are a few ways in which you might involve parents:

- Parents can serve in an official capacity as Coaches – with the consent of the Team’s Captain
- Team parents can volunteer and will be asked to be scorekeepers during matches
- Parents are encouraged to attend matches, cheer and be supportive of all PGA Junior League Golf teams •
- **Parents and spectators are not permitted to coach or give advice**
- Parents and spectators must stay near the cart path and never step onto the green – Only Scorekeepers are allowed on the green and will assist with pace of play/ who is to play next and announce results after each hole.
 - PTC League will allow parents who are transporting their team/juniors to drive up to the team’s selected shot – BUT not to go onto the green - Please respect the cart rules and not drive up to the edge of the greens... keep the carts on the path around tees & greens. **Also** – we ask that if you have your own cart, please bring and use it for our matches. PTC has a very large junior league and we do our best to supply all carts without a charge (parents & spectators), and your help is appreciated.
 - ** 2017 - 16 U league - Club owned Golf Carts for parents or spectators are NOT included - a 9 hole cart fee will be charged if you would like to use one of our carts... Please check in and pay for the cart in the Flat Creek Golf Shop - and a receipt will be supplied to show **the attendant** for a key. Members may use their own cart without a charge - Players may be transported in between holes, but must walk and carry their own bag or use a pull cart.
- Violations of the above guidelines should incur a warning and then a loss of point for that parent's team if circumstances escalate. Each team Captain has full authority over visitors to their facility.

CODE OF CONDUCT

For Parents and Spectators

- Spectators acknowledge that the goal of PGA Junior League Golf is for players to have fun with friends. • Spectators agree to refrain from participating in players’ strategic decisions.
- Spectators agree to defer the enforcement of rules to players and team leaders.
- Spectators agree to abstain from coaching the players.
- Spectators agree to abstain from caddying.
- Spectators are encouraged to cheer, have fun and be supportive of ALL players.
- Spectators agree to demonstrate sportsmanship, respect and a positive attitude.

For Players

- Players acknowledge that the purpose of PGA Junior League Golf is to have fun with friends.
- Players agree to demonstrate sportsmanship, teamwork and a positive attitude.
- Players agree to be respectful of fellow players, spectators, coaches, and facility staff.
- Players agree to care for the golf facility and leave it in better condition than they found it.

PACE OF PLAY

A PGA Junior League Golf game should never take more than 2.5 hours. Teams may be subtracted Points for Slow play. One of the key lessons to pass along to juniors, especially to the recreational players, is the importance of pace of play.

PGA Junior League Golf is recreational match-play in a scramble format, so searching for lost balls, continuing play on a hole that should be conceded or even spending considerable time deciding which shot to select are time consuming factors that should be discouraged by the team Captain and Coaches.

Not all matches will have an alternate player, but those that do should move even more quickly! The alternate is an important teammate even when he or she isn't hitting the shots. For example, the ball not chosen needs to be retrieved, the flag needs tending, and the bunker needs to be raked. All of these are important activities and all can be easily accomplished by any alternate. An alternate, however, should not be coached to retrieve the opposing team's ball unless asked to do so by that team.

Abiding by the double bogey maximum is another way to help with pace of play. No hole in PGA Junior League Golf can be won with a double bogey, so encourage your players to pick-up if they haven't holed out after their bogey putts or shots.

As PGA Junior League Golf is a fun, recreational scramble-format, please encourage your players to concede short putts. It will help your pace of play by 5 to 10 minutes per match!

The reality of PGA Junior League Golf is that the players are young and often inexperienced. Use the above tips and your best judgment to assist pace-of-play. ** PTC allows golf carts to transport players – See above cart rules.

PLAY READY GOLF & limit practice swings

LET's PLAY GOLF and Have a FUN!

I have read and understand the guidelines set forth by the PGA Junior League & JUNIORGOLF365 - PTC

Parent Name - Print/ Sign

Date

PGA Junior League Participant - Print

FYI – At the completion of our Spring Junior League, an ALL Star Team will be selected to represent PTC in the pursuit of a National Junior League Championship – ALL Star Team announcements will be made the Final Regular Season event and Additional Fee will be required.