

Spectator Guidelines

Spectators and Coaches can observe play but must maintain a 30 yard distance from players during the course of play, except around the greens where spectators must maintain a 10 yd distance from players. Spectators and coaches are discouraged from walking on tee box areas, fairways and putting greens. They are encouraged to walk on paths and in the rough, avoiding interference with play.

Spectators may not communicate with players, unless there is a medical situation. While on course spectators/coaches are not allowed to offer advice to any player during the provincial championship. Advice is defined as any verbal comment or action that is intended to influence a player: in choosing a club; making a stroke, or; deciding how to play during a hole or round. Note: limit all communication, verbal and non-verbal, which may be construed by others (players, tournament officials/organizers and volunteers) as advice.

Spectators and coaches are not to be keeping score of the players in the group or offering advice with any rulings that may arise during the course of play.

Spectators may assist with finding lost golf balls during the course of play if given permission by the golfer who hit the ball. Spectators are not to communicate, coach or speak with players during the search for golf balls. Spectators must wait until players arrive at the area where the ball has strayed to begin searching for balls. This policy has been enacted to assist the pace of play on the course.

Coaches will be granted the use of a golf cart to check on their team during the round provided the host golf course is allowing carts. If a coach chooses to use a cart, they will be expected to sign a waiver form from the golf course with the understanding any damages that are incurred will be paid by them. We will encourage coaches to double up on carts to help limit the number out of the course. However, parents/guardians will not be granted the use of a cart and will be expected to walk if they choose to follow a group.

Failure to follow the above expectations may result in removal from the course or disqualification from the provincial championship.