

2023 OHSAA Girls District Rules Sheet

1. **USGA and OHSAA** rules govern play along with all local rules stated below.
2. **Format** - Stroke play from the Yellow Tees.
3. **Out of Bounds** are defined by fences around the perimeter of the golf course property. There is no in course out of bounds.
4. **Distance Measuring devices** are permitted. Cell phones and Apple Watches are not permitted to be used for measuring distance. 1st violation – 2 stroke penalty, 2nd violation – disqualification.
5. **High grass areas** played as Lateral Penalty Areas.
6. **Abnormal Ground Conditions** – Drain lines, areas dug up by animals and tire tracks are considered ground under repair. Free drop at nearest point no nearer the hole.
7. **Mulched/Pine Straw** areas to be played as ground under repair. Free drop at nearest point no nearer the hole. The mulched island plants are considered free relief areas.
8. **All bodies of water** are considered lateral penalty areas. They are not marked with red stakes. Therefore, the edge of the penalty area is defined by where the ground slopes down toward the water. **Drop Areas** are available on holes 12, 13 & 14.
9. **Rules Procedure** – If you are in doubt as to a rules question or procedure, you may play 2 balls. You must declare which ball you prefer to score with in case both situations are allowed.
10. **Rules Committee** – Rob Eckenrode, Tournament Director, Eric Madden, PGA Head Golf Professional, Mike Meneer, Brookledge Outing & Event Coordinator, Scotte Rorabaugh, Head Coach Stow-Munroe Falls HS.
11. **Conduct** – Unsportsmanlike conduct or profanity will not be tolerated! 1st violation – warning, 2nd violation – disqualification.
12. **On Course Coaching** – Only one coach per school is permitted to provide on course coaching. That coach will be designated as the coach wearing the coaching lanyard. Coaches are not permitted to trade the lanyard back and forth so that multiple coaches can converse with players.
13. **Spectators** – are allowed to walk the course on the paths or in the rough only and may **NOT have any interaction with players during their round**. Searching for balls is permitted. Per NEDAB rules, carts will be sold to Disabled Spectators only. Proper medical documentation is required.
14. **Pace of play** – Pace of play for the day is 2 hours 15 minutes for each nine. Remaining groups should maintain a pace within ONE shot of the group in front of you.
15. **Scoring** – Players are responsible for the hole by hole scoring for all players in the group. **Immediately upon completion of play, all players must proceed to the designated scoring areas near the clubhouse scoreboard**. Please make sure hole by hole scores are legible and correct, you do not need to add up scores. Each scorecard must be signed by the player and scorer. All issues should be brought up to the rules committee before both signatures are on the scorecard. Once the card is signed, turned in and you leave the scoring area, all scores are final.
16. **Playoffs** – If necessary, all playoffs will start on hole 1 then hole 9 and repeated until all ties are broken.