DIVISION 1 BOYS SECTIONAL TOURNAMENT

Hosted By: Windmill Lakes Golf Course Monday October 2, 2023

NOTICE TO COMPETITORS

Summer Rule is in effect.

The 2023 U.S.G.A. Rules of Golf shall govern play and the following local rules will apply.

TEEING GROUND: ALL PLAYERS WILL PLAY BLUE TEES

<u>CELL PHONES:</u> Cell phones and other electronic communication devices are permitted for live scoring only. These devices may not be used as distance measuring devices per OHSAA Rules.

LIVE SCORING: Scoring will be completed live using OHSAA GOIF App. EACH PLAYER IS RESPONSIBLE FOR DOWNLOADING AND KEEPING SCORE ON THE APP, CONFIRMING ALL SCORES BEFORE TEEING OFF THE NEXT HOLE. Players should also keep a scorecard to attest scores at the end of the round at the scoring table. Coaches are not to collect scores prior to checking in at the scoring table.

RANGE FINDERS: Range finders are permitted.

COACHING RULE: New regulation permits the school board approved coach/designee assigned to that event to speak with his/her players without delay of play at any time provided regulation procedures are followed.

STROKE LIMIT: There is a new 12 stroke limit rule this year. Once you have reached the stroke limit, pick up your ball and move onto the next hole.

FRENCH DRAINS: These drains with gravel found throughout the course will be played as ground under repair.

CONDUCT: A two-stroke penalty shall be assessed for conduct unbecoming players. Such conduct shall include, but not limited to club throwing, defined as releasing the club in a manner to cause harm to any person or the course; use of abusive language; willful acts which damage property or equipment of the course; other unbecoming conduct as determined by the games committee.

FLOWERBEDS: If a ball comes to rest within a flower bed, the player may take free relief, no closer to the hole. Mulched areas under trees throughout the course are NOT considered flowerbeds. (Our flower beds are defined as mulched areas with plants and/or flowers in them.)

<u>POWER LINES</u>: If a ball strikes a power line, the player must disregard that stroke, abandon the ball, and play another ball as near as possible to the spot from which the original ball was played in accordance to Rule 20-5. Relief will not be given from the tower poles for stance, swing, or sight.

DRIVEWAY ENTRANCE: The boundary lines on each side of the driveway, between #11 and #12 are NOT out-of-bounds.

PACE OF PLAY: The pace of play for today's tournament will be 4 hours and 30 minutes. If your group falls out of position, you will first be given a warning and then put on the clock. You will then have 45 seconds from the time you begin your pre-shot routine to the hitting of the ball. You will continue to be on the clock until you get back in position time wise with the other groups. Failure to hit your shot in under 45 seconds after warning is issued will result in a two-stroke penalty. A third violation of this penalty results in disqualification.

PLAYERS NOTE: The left side of Hole #7 is no longer out-of-bounds, it is now a lateral hazard and is marked red.

RULES COMMITTEE (USGA RULES): Michael Maxwell, Dan Dauk, Ann Ciavarella and Herb Page.

MARSHALLS: Denny Ginther, Mike Lacivita, Lou Higgins, Ziggy Wieclaw

*NOTE: MARSHALLS ON THE TEE AND ON THE COURSE ARE NOT MEMBERS OF THE RULES COMMITTEE AND SHALL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO MAKE RULES DECISIONS ON THE COURSE

IF A PLAYER HAS ANY QUESTION ABOUT A RULING, HE SHOULD PLAY 2 BALLS AND CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE RULES COMMITTEE FOLLOWING HIS/HER ROUND.