

OHSAA Boys Golf District Tournament – Findlay CC

Local Rules Sheet

Local Rules and Conditions of the Competition

The Rules of the United States Golf Association govern play. The “Local Rules and Conditions of Competition USGA” is in effect for this event, as well as OHSAA and additional Local Rules and Conditions noted below.

UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED, THE PENALTY FOR BREACH OF A LOCAL RULE OR CONDITION IS TWO STROKES.

1. **USGA** and OHSAA rules govern play except where superseded by Local Rules.
2. **Format** – 18 Hole Stroke Play
3. **Out of Bounds** – Property line fence and white stakes/paint indicate out of bounds.
4. **Embedded ball** - rule is in effect through the green.
5. **Distance-Measuring Devices** – are allowed. **Electronic (cell phones)** are NOT allowed, Players - First violation – 2 stroke penalty. Second violation – disqualification.
6. **Ground under repair** - marked with white lines
7. **Flower Beds**, considered ground under repair, and **MUST** take relief
8. **Obstructions**: Cart paths and access roads (nearest point stance and swing)
9. **Bunkers** – All bunkers will be played lift, clean, and place within one scorecard no nearer the hole. Ball must stay in bunker.
10. **If you are in doubt** as to procedure or a rules situation, Invoke rule 20.1c (3). Play out your original ball and a second ball taking your relief. Must declare which ball you wish to score with (if rules permit) to your marker before any action is taken. Record both scores and **before signing your card** discuss with the rules committee or at the scoring area, your situation.
11. **Conduct**. A two-stroke penalty shall be assessed for unsporting conduct. Unsporting conduct shall include but not be limited to club throwing, willful acts which damage property or equipment on the course, use of abusive language, profanity, obscenities, and other unsporting conduct as determined by the Golf Rules Committee. Penalties imposed may result in disqualification.
12. **Scoring area** is defined as: Golf Shop area. Player and marker must both sign reviewing their Hole-by-Hole Score. Both the player and marker **MUST** be present when their scorecard turned into their coach. **Be sure to tell the scorer if you have any issues that must be brought to the attention of the committee!** Once you leave the scoring area all scores are final.

The team score shall be determined by totaling the scores of **the 4 players** with the fewest strokes for the match. The team with the fewest number of strokes is the winner.

13. Ties:

Team

- a. Ties in team scoring for awards or at qualifying positions that affect the number of qualifiers shall be resolved by comparing the scores of the 5th team member and the team with the lowest 5th score shall be declared the winner. If one team does not have a 5th score, the team with the 5th score shall be declared the winner.
- b. If teams remain tied after comparing the 5th scores, an aggregate playoff to determine the winner shall be held using the 4 players selected by the coach #1 (1, 2, 7).
- c. Individual for medalist shall be played off from the same holes.

14. Rules Committee: The Rules Committee will consist of USGA Regional Affairs Committee, Member, Club Pro or Owner and Tournament Manager. All Rulings of the Rules Committee will be Final.

Spectators:

- ☒ Are permitted to WALK the course. They are permitted to use golf carts for conference championships but **not** OHSAA State Tournaments.
- ☒ Must stay on cart paths and OFF all fairways.
- ☒ Turn Off Cell phones. People using cell phones will receive one warning, second time phone will be taken!
- ☒ Spectators should stay 20-50 yards from players at all times, should be in front of players.
- ☒ May help search for golf balls.
- ☒ Must have NO conversation with players. They may applaud and / or say good putt or hit.
- ☒ Must stay at least 20 yards from greens and tees.