

The Rail Player and Spectator Notes

Participating in a Prep Tour event is **ULTIMATELY** the choice and **FULL** responsibility of each family. We would love to have you participate, but this is entirely up to each family to decide.



If a player or spectator is displaying symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home!

- Players are **required** to watch The Prep Tour Video Hard Card and The Prep Tour Conditions of Competition video **before** the event.
- Players should **not** arrive at the golf course earlier than 50 minutes before their scheduled tee time.
- Players are limited to a **maximum** of 2 Spectators. **No more than 2 spectators per registrant will be allowed on the course.**
- Dress for the weather. The Prep Tour will play through rain, but not lightning.
- Junior High Boys may have a caddie for this event, The caddie must reside in the same household and the caddie counts as 1 of the player's 2 allowed spectators.
- Approved caddies **must read** The Prep Tour Caddie Rules for 2020.
- Continuous putting is **MANDATORY** for all players.
- Players (and their Caddies) are **required** to maintain social distance from all other competitors even within their playing group.
- The Rail reserves the right to limit spectator carts for their general public. Therefore, carts will be limited. **The Rail will not hold or reserve a spectator's cart.**
- Players may not utilize the driving range or the practice green except during your scheduled times.

- “**I didn’t know**” will not mitigate a player and/or spectator from the responsibility of following all 2020 Updated Prep Tour Rules for a safe and socially responsible event.

Driving Range / Practice Area:

Players will be assigned range times from **40 minutes to 20 minutes prior to his/her tee time**. Players are **not** allowed on the range prior to their scheduled tee time. As 3 players leave the range, 3 new players may take their spots. There will be a maximum of 9 players and 1 Prep Tour Staff Member on the range at any time. Players will be required to space appropriately on the range to maintain social distance. **Spectators are not allowed on the range at any time.**

Practice Green:

Players will be allowed on the practice green from **30 minutes to 10 minutes prior to the players tee time**. There will be a maximum of 9 players and 1 Prep Tour Staff Member on the practice green at any time. As 3 players leave the practice green, 3 new players may take their spots. Players will be required to space appropriately on the practice green to maintain social distance. **Spectators are not allowed on the practice green at any time.**

Playing The Round:

Players will compete in 3 somes on 10 minute centers. Each player will only be allowed a maximum of 2 spectators (the host venue reserves the right to reduce spectators even further). There will not be more than 9 people moving as a group with each tee time.

- Players must report to the 1st tee **10 minutes prior** to their tee time maintaining social distance.
- Players will be **required** to walk at accepted social distance guidelines (at least **6 feet apart**).
- Players will “**continuously putt**” to help with spacing. This is **MANDATORY**.
- The 1st player “holing” a putt will be **required** to immediately walk to the next teeing ground.
- Players (and their caddies) will leave the flagstick **in** to putt. Do not touch the flagstick.
- Players will be allowed to **lift, clean, foot rake** and **place** in sand bunkers.
- Players will **not** be allowed to ride in motorized carts nor shuttled between holes.
- Players will **replace** handshakes with a socially accepted acknowledgement.

- **Players are still required to meet published Prep Tour Pace of Play standards.**

Scoring:

Players will **not** exchange scorecards. Each player will keep all 3 scores and then report scores verbally to the Prep Tour staff. Player scorecards will be **verbally attested**.

The scoring area will be outside away from the clubhouse. All scores will be electronic and posted online. There will not be a posted scoreboard for people to congregate at.

Spectators:

The health and safety of The Prep Tour players, The Prep Tour staff, and the host venue's staff requires stringent Spectator Rules for events in 2020.

- Players are limited to a **maximum** of 2 spectators (this includes the junior high player's caddie, if applicable)
- Spectators are **encouraged** to wear protective face coverings/masks.
- Spectators are **not** allowed on the **driving range**.
- Spectators are **not** allowed on the **practice green**.
- Spectators are **not** allowed near the **scoring area**
- Spectators may **not** stand behind **teeing grounds**.
- Spectators may NEVER walk in the fairways and will walk **even or ahead** of the group they are following and **NOT** behind the group.
- Spectators are **required** to maintain social distancing at all times from ALL competitors, other spectators, Prep Tour staff, and host venue staff.
- The host venue has the option whether or not to rent spectator carts (**no player shuttles allowed**).

It is essential for Players and Spectators to review and understand all the Prep Tour Policies, Guidelines and videos. The Prep Tour will enforce all of these for the sake of the golf course, competitors, spectators and families involved. No exceptions will be made!

