

2023 GPJGA SUMMER TOUR RULES FOR JUNIOR MASTERS



FOR ALL 36-HOLE PLAYERS

Format: Individual Stroke Play Under the USGA Rules of Golf

The Rules of Golf issued by The USGA and R&A (effective January 2023) shall govern all play along with any Local Rules and Terms of Competition adopted by the Committee for the particular competition or course. The player is responsible for knowing and applying the Rules and Terms of Competition to themselves. If there are uncertainties on the course during the competition, the player can flag a Tournament Official for a ruling. If that cannot be done in a timely manner, a player may complete the hole with two balls without penalty, until a ruling can be made; but the player may not delay play. Asking advice from spectators or other players is not allowed and <u>caddies are not permitted</u>.

After the Round:

Proceed <u>immediately</u> to the scoring table, verify scores hole by hole, and sign scorecard. A player should raise any rules issues with the Committee before signing his or her scorecard. Changing a score without the Marker's approval or failing to include a known penalty either by the player or his or her partner may result in a disqualification(s). If a player signs for a lower score than actual score, player is disqualified; if a player signs for a higher score than actual score, player must accept that score.

Awards: A 1st Place, Overall trophy will be given to both, the boys and girls division each week. Overall 1st place ties will be determined by an on course, sudden death playoff. 2nd and 3rd place medals will also be handed out each week. 2nd and 3rd place ties will stand with following place being eliminated (If a week has a 1st place winner and 2 players tied for 2nd, no 3rd place medal will be given as the next place would be 4th) Overall, Summer Tour Champions are recognized at the Awards Banquet on July 20. Players must compete in at least three tournaments to be eligible for end-of-season awards.

The Cut:

Players must make a "Cut" to compete in this Division. On the player's first attempt, he or she must score a 54 or better on their front nine in order to proceed to the back nine. If they do not score at least a 54, they must end their round. They will be allowed to re-attempt the following week. If the player does not make the Cut within two attempts, the player will be placed in the 9-hole Future Masters Division and receive a partial refund. Opportunities to attempt the Cut are only offered on round 1 of tournament weeks.

Tee Assignments: *Yardages and tee assignments vary per Course. Please verify player's tee assignment at the starting tee box.



	IEES	APPROX. YARDAGES
BOYS 15 & Under and BOYS 16-18	Typically Blue	18 holes (6,000-6,500)
GIRLS 15 & Under and GIRLS 16-18	Typically Red	18 holes (5.000-5.500)

Bags and Push/Pull Carts:



Players must walk while playing their entire round—no riding in carts.

A player can carry their bag or use a push cart. No riding between holes, add one stroke penalty per hole of violation.

Rangefinders:



Distance measuring devices are permitted under USGA rules—please show courtesy and share distances with other players when possible. Devices that measure wind or slope are not allowed.

Pace-of-Play Policy:



Players should arrive at their assigned first tee at least 10 minutes before their tee time and play without delay.

Each group should maintain pace within one hole of the group in front of them. Being "out of position" may result in stroke penalties depending on number of breaches. If a group is more than one hole behind, a warning will be issued to pick up the pace. If the pace is not picked up, the Committee may assess penalties in this order: one stroke per hole, two strokes per hole, DQ. <u>Three minutes</u> is the maximum time to search for a ball. <u>40 seconds</u> is the recommended allotted time to make a stroke once the ball is reached. "Ready golf" (playing out of turn in a safe, reasonable manner) is encouraged. <u>If a player is late for their tee time</u>, stroke penalties or DQ may occur.

Weather Policy:

One long siren or horn blast signals suspension of play. Immediately stop play and seek shelter.



If play is suspended due to weather or any other issue, the player must immediately stop play and seek shelter. If you're near your ball, quickly mark its position with a tee. When play is suspended, practice areas are also closed. Penalties will be assessed for violation. The Committee will determine length of delay or cancellation.

Spectator Policy:



Spectators may watch players by walking or renting carts, but all spectators must remain on the cart path or in the rough, slightly behind the players.

Cart fees are set by the golf course and availability of carts is not guaranteed. A valid driver's license is required to rent/drive a cart. Spectators must stay on the cart path. Spectators may quietly encourage all players but may not give players advice or act as scorekeepers or caddies during the round.

Other Important Policies:

The following policies are enforced in this order: Warning; +2 penalty strokes; DQ; Removal from Tour

Dress Code: All players and spectators should wear generally accepted golf attire that follows the host course dress code: e.g., no metal spikes, tank tops, or denim.

Electronic Devices: Cell phone use during tournament play is prohibited except for emergency. Headphones, AirPods, etc., are not allowed during play and are discouraged in practice areas and the clubhouse.

Tobacco and Alcohol Use: Not permitted by players and discouraged of spectators.

Code of Conduct: Players and spectators should all always display the highest manner of etiquette. GPJGA reserves the right to remove any player or spectator at any time for any reason during an event.