



Golf Rules

CONTROL OF PLAY

1. All members must register in the Golf Shop before starting play on the course. Each player must have a set of clubs.
2. The Club uses the Golf Professional Staff to monitor the first tee, pace play, and to enforce golf rules. Members may help maintain a reasonable pace of play by:
 - Reporting to tee box 10 minutes prior to tee time.
 - Playing 18 holes in 4 hours or less.
3. Guest privileges.
 - ALL GUESTS MUST REGISTER IN THE GOLF SHOP.
 - A MEMBER MUST BE PRESENT IN EACH PLAYING GROUP and member shall be responsible for the conduct and observance of the course rules by all their guests.
 - A member may be accompanied by four (4) guests any tee time.
 - Guest usage is restricted to "6" times per calendar year to any guest who resides within fifty (50) miles of the club.
4. Players shall start on #1 Tee, unless the Golf Professional staff gives permission to start on another hole. (Players leaving the front 9 have the right-of-way on the #10 Tee. Any player starting on the #10 Tee should give way to such players.)
5. Management shall control closing and re-opening the golf course for play during any period when play might endanger the condition of the course. All players must discontinue play and leave the course whenever they are notified by air horn, or other means used by the Golf Professional that the course is closed.
6. Playing Groups
 - Foursomes and Fivesomes shall have right-of-way on the course over smaller groups.
 - Only Foursomes or Fivesomes will be permitted to tee off during peak periods of play. When necessary smaller groups will be combined by the Starter at the first tee.
 - Twosomes and Threesomes should not expect to play through Foursomes or Fivesomes if the larger group is maintaining a reasonable pace of play.
 - All groups should be cognizant of the group ahead and behind at all times and attempt to maintain a reasonable pace of play.
 - Under no circumstances will more than a Fivesome be allowed in regular play.

RESERVATIONS

- Tee times may be obtained thru the Clubessential Reservation System.
- Reservations can be made up to 7 Days in advance.
- Please confirm names of every player in your group.
- When necessary, groups with less than 4 or 5 players will be filled with additional players. The reservations will provide an orderly and reliable traffic flow on the course.
- Reservations must be cancelled 24 hours in advance.

DEPENDENTS

- Dependents of members are subject to the same rules and regulations as the adult members. The adult member is responsible for the actions of the dependents.
- Dependents under the age of 16 require junior certification.

JUNIOR CERTIFICATION

Please call Head Golf Professional Bo Wertz for junior certification, but to be certified a junior must be able to:

- Play the course in 4 hours or less.
- Maintain a handicap of 40 or lower.
- Play a 9-hole certification round with one of the Club Professionals.
- Pass a written test on golf rules/etiquette.

CERTIFIED JUNIORS age 10 and over are allowed to obtain tee times **48 hours in advance**, and they may not play alone on the 18-hole course with the following exceptions:

- Scheduled Junior golf play days and events;
- During normal open play hours if there is an open tee time.
- During normal open play hours if they are accompanied by an adult;
- Other exceptions deemed appropriate by the Head Golf Professional and his staff.

CHILDREN

- Children under 6 years are not allowed to play on the 18-Hole course before 2 p.m.
- Non-certified juniors must be accompanied by an adult. Children must be using their own bag and clubs when playing on either course.

CARE OF THE COURSE

- When walking onto a green, always repair your ball mark plus one.
- **Repair** your divots on the tees and fairways. The divot should not be replaced, but please tamp around the divot mark with your foot. Please **replace** divots in the rough.
- Rake the sand bunkers after usage and carefully replace the rakes inside the sand bunkers.
- When removing the flag from the hole, please place the flag on the green. You may cause damage to the green if you drop or throw the flag.
- Confine all practice to the designated areas for practice. If your ball comes to rest on the wrong green, you must drop at the nearest point of relief plus one club length. No penalty. Do not hit off a green or fringe area.

DRESS CODE

Men's & Ladies Dress includes traditional golf apparel that represents current trends in the golf industry. All golfers on the course or the practice areas and persons accompanying golfers on the course must wear proper golf attire. Improperly dressed golfers will be asked to change before playing.

Men

- All golf shirts must have a collar (mock acceptable) and should be tucked in.
- Dress pants or Bermuda shorts are to be worn at the waistline.

Ladies

- Ladies are allowed to wear sleeveless and collarless golf shirts.
- Skirts or skorts are allowed but must be golf appropriate.

Shoes

- Golf shoes with soft spikes only.
- Tennis shoes allowed.

Items for exclusion

- Tee shirts, athletic or gym clothing, tank tops, mid-drift shirts, halter tops and pool attire are not permitted at any time. Jeans are only allowed in the off season (November – April).

Children must follow the same rules set forth for adults.

Golf Events

- All club sanctioned events are to use the handicaps established through the Brookridge Golf Shop.
- All members are required to establish and maintain a handicap and having done so, turn in their scores after every round.
- Tournament rules are governed by the USGA (excepting local club rules as outlined). All controversies shall be judged according to USGA regulations.
- All tournaments, special events, matches or golf activities that will restrict normal play on the course must be scheduled in advance and cleared through the Head Golf Professional.
- Tournament matches (Club Championships) shall have right-of-way over other groups on the course.

CART RULES

- Use of golf cart requires prior registration in Golf Shop.
- Operation of the cart is at the risk of the operator.
- Golf Cart drivers are required to be 16 years old with a driver's license with the following exception; Dependents under the age of 16 may operate a golf cart if they are accompanied by a parent or supervised adult.
- On the 18-hole course, all carts must be kept on the path on Par 3's and on all areas of the course if weather conditions so warrant. In any weather, carts should be confined to the cart paths whenever possible.
- When leaving from and returning to the cart path remember we have a 90 degree rule. If you see an area that is getting worn, please enter/exit the fairway a little before/after to and from the cart path.
- Carts must be kept at least 60 feet from all greens and tees.

PLEASE DO NOT DRIVE CARTS IN THE ROUGH

ENFORCEMENT OF RULES

- The following are considered violations of the rights of other members and may be subject to the action of the Management: Improper attire, willfully damaging Club property, conduct unbecoming a member or damaging to the prestige of the Club, driving golf carts between greens and bunkers, driving carts within 60-feet of the bunkers or the greens, careless or improper use of Club equipment, and willful abuse of any Club rule.
- Violations of any of the rules will result in Management action:
 - First Violation - A letter or verbal warning given to the member.
 - Second Violation - Suspension.
 - Third Violation - Subject to expulsion.
- Suspension will occur, if considered appropriate, for violations considered willful and damaging to the prestige of the club, comfort and well-being of other members, or damaging to Club property.

WEATHER POLICY

Members are expected to exercise reasonable prudence and common sense when severe weather, e.g., thunder or lightning, is reported or observed in the area and are requested to leave the golf course and seek appropriate shelter. Golfers expressly assume all risk of injury while on the golf course due to lightning or other adverse weather and should not rely on the accuracy, reliability or adequacy of any storm systems implemented by the Club. The Club may suspend or cancel any tournament or scheduled play, if in the judgement of its Golf Professional or management that weather conditions create a clear and present danger.

BROOKRIDGE WEST 9

All Club policies and procedures applicable to the 18 Hole course apply to the 9 Hole course. All players must register at the main Golf Shop. All players must start at Hole #1. In the event you choose to go around a second time, you must again check in with the starter or place another tee time.