



Player & Spectator Social Distancing Guidelines

Please adhere to the following guidelines in order to keep our tournaments safe for players, volunteers and families. We ask that all players and spectators review these guidelines before attending Optimist events.

All guidelines are subject to change as restrictions are lifted.

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- If you have a fever, cough or other symptoms of COVID-19, please stay home.
 - Avoid touching your mouth, nose, lips and eyes.
 - Wash your hands frequently. If you are unable to wash your hands, use hand sanitizer.
 - Please bring your own water, as water coolers will not be supplied by the course.
 - Facial masks are recommended in close proximity of others, but is not required. Please be respectful to your fellow golfers, volunteers and staff. (i.e. weather evacuation shuttles and indoor sheltering).
 - Social Distancing -- defined by at least six feet of physical distance between all people, must always be practiced this includes parking lot, putting green, practice area, on the course, scoring area, restrooms, clubhouse and golf shop.
 - At this time, we are allowing only player and two (2) spectators to attend. Spectators must refrain from congregating before and after the round.
 - Players must refrain from arriving at the course more than 45 minutes prior to your tee time.
 - Spectator carts (limited to one person per cart unless there are two from the same household) will be available for rental. Personnel will sanitize each cart before and after each rental.

- During your warm-up on the putting green, chipping green and driving range make sure you continue to practice social distancing guidelines.
- Hand sanitizer will be provided in starting and scoring areas
- Players will not exchange scorecards, but they will keep the score of an opponent (as if they had exchanged) on the bottom portion of their card. Players should verify their scorecards after each hole.
- No tournament paperwork will be printed on-site. Hole Locations and Notice to Players will be posted to the tournament webpage; a link to these documents will be texted and e-mailed to the field.
- Players must not touch, or remove, the flagstick at any time.
- If tournaments are played without bunker rakes, in all bunkers a player may: Lift the ball, smooth the area, and place it within club length, no closer to the hole. Players are encouraged to smooth the sand with their shoe or club when exiting the bunker.
- Staff will sanitize tournament gifts prior to registration.
- Players are asked to refrain from the traditional handshake, high five or hug prior to, and after, all rounds.
- A large scoring area will be provided and a chance to verify your scores, players will not exchange scorecards but will submit cards to staff. Your scores will be reviewed with you and initialed by Optimist.
- Should play be suspended for inclement weather, players are encouraged to seek shelter in their cars. If clubhouse is open, players without a car can seek shelter inside the clubhouse while still maintaining social distancing. If necessary, instructions to resume play will be done via text and email notifications.
- There will be no physical scoreboard. All scores will be posted online.
- Tournament winners will be announced as normal, winners to accept their trophies. No handshakes will be exchanged.
- Please familiarize yourself and follow best practices as published by the [Center for Disease Control](#) (CDC), [World Health Organization](#) (WHO) and state / local governments.