

PARENTS CODE OF CONDUCT

The **British Columbia Golf Association** takes great pride in the caliber of play, player conduct and parental dedication displayed at all of our championships. In order to maintain the fun and professional atmosphere that the British Columbia Golf Association Championships have become known for, and to show respect for the involvement of our host clubs and their volunteers, **We ask that you observe the following Code of Conduct throughout the entire championship.**

British Columbia Golf Association Expectations from Parents

When on the golf Course:

- No advice is to be given to your child during the tournament rounds
- Make sure to avoid all communication, verbal and non-verbal, which may be construed by others (competitors, parents and our Rules Officials) as advice
- Please keep your distance from your child (approx. **25** yards) while following them during play
- Do not walk in the fairways during the tournament rounds
- Help us maintain the pace of play by assisting to spot golf balls for players
- Try to avoid distracting competitors at all times on the golf course
- Please do not use cell phones or radios on the golf course.
- Please feel free to ask your child if they need anything to eat or drink at the turn

Regarding the Rules of Golf:

- Allow BCGA Rules Officials to administer rulings. You will be brought into a situation **ONLY** if the Rules Official asks you
- Encourage your child to familiarize them self with the rules of golf and the supplementary local rules specific to the championship so that they are aware of the options available to them

Respecting the host club and golf etiquette:

- **Familiarize yourself and adhere to the host facility's dress code. Some facilities may not allow blue jeans, T-shirts, etc**
- **If you are going to wear golf shoes as you walk the course, make sure they do not have metal or traditionally designed spikes**

After the championship:

- **Encourage your child to write thank-you notes to those persons who contributed to the success of the respective tournament.**
- We welcome any and all letters of suggestion to the BCGA that will ultimately help us in making these championships even more special for all involved. Feel free to include comments you may have about the British Columbia Golf Association Championships with regards to the development of junior golf in Canada

This information was compiled not because of recurring problems, but rather in order to have a reference for parents for frequently asked questions. The British Columbia Golf Association and our host facilities thank you for your cooperation.

