2021 COVID-19 Tournament Guidelines

The Junior Golf Association of Arizona is looking forward to the 2021 tournament schedule. We will continue with our health and safety guidelines in place as a requirement for participation. We ask everyone to follow these guidelines for the health and safety of all.

General Safety and Sanitization Guidelines for Participating in JGAA events

- Players must practice social distancing at all times while on property i.e. maintain a six-foot distance from others (except household members). This includes the driving range, practice putting green, teeing area, etc.
- Masks will be required when going inside any facility (clubhouse, bathrooms, golf shop, etc).
- Sanitizer will be available at registration, starting tees and scoring areas.
- Scores will be posted online only. There will be no physical scoreboards.
- When possible we will conduct an awards ceremony by the scoring area/ tent.
- When possible there will be a play-off if there is a tie for 1st place after the final round
- Players should not participate in traditional handshakes or hugs, prior to, during or after the round.

Bunkers/Rakes

- Bunker rakes will be removed from the golf course, when applicable. If bunkers are on the course we request players not to use them.
- Preferred lies in the bunker: Player may place a ball in the same bunker, within 1 club-length of the original spot, not nearer the hole. The ball must remain in the bunker.
- Players are encouraged to smooth sand with their feet or club before they leave the bunker.

Flagstick/Hole

- Players must not touch or remove the flagstick at any time. Touching or removing the flagstick is a violation of our updated code of conduct and may result in penalty.

Warm-Up/Before the Round

- Players should arrive 45-60 minutes before their tee times. Range time per player will be limited, 15-20 minutes per player depending on the event and golf course.
- Spectators will not be allowed on the driving range or practice putting green. The driving range when possible will be roped off.
Starting Tee / Scoring

- Each player will keep their own score and the score of another player in the group. Do not swap scorecards at scoring.
- Players will verbally verify each other’s scores before handing in their scorecard.
- Only scorecards, notice to players and hole location documents will be given at the starting tee.
- Players should bring their own tees, sunscreen, marking pens, as these items will not be available on the starting tee.

Spectator Guidelines:

- Spectators must practice social distancing by remaining at least six feet away from others while at the golf course.
- Spectator carts must be preapproved per JGAA policy. Only one person may ride in the cart at any time (unless the approved person cannot drive a golf cart, then two people would be allowed).
- Spectators will not be allowed on the driving range or practice putting green.
- Additional Spectators guidelines might be required by each host facility; If so they will be emailed to the players/ spectators before the event.

Food and Beverage / Water

- JGAA staff and volunteers will be equipped with coolers filled with bottled waters located on their golf carts for on-course distribution to players only.
- Players must be prepared to start the round with their own water.
- Golf course food available for purchase may be limited depending on the facility.

**Guidelines are subject to change at any time **