



## 2020 COVID-19 Tournament Guidelines

**The Junior Golf Association of Arizona is looking forward to resuming the 2020 tournament schedule, with new 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.
- Sanitizer will be available at starting tees and scoring areas.
- Scores will be posted online only. There will be no physical scoreboards.
- There will be no awards ceremonies. Awards will be mailed after events or given at the next event.
- Players and spectators are requested to leave the golf course immediately after the round to avoid gatherings.
- 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.
- 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, possibly 15 minutes per player depending on the event and golf course.
- Practice green is only available to players 10-20 minutes before each tee time.
- Spectators will not be allowed on the driving range or practice putting green.

### **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.
- There will be no playoffs. If there is a tie for 1<sup>st</sup> place, there will be co-champions.

### **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.

### **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 \*\****

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