



2020 Junior PGA Section Championship
Bedford Valley Golf Club
June 18-19, 2020

Play is governed by the USGA Rules of Golf and Decisions, PGA Hard Card/Automotive Golf Car Rules, PGA Pace of Play & Non-metal Spike Policy, and the following local rules:

NON-METAL SPIKE POLICY - As a condition of this competition, all participants shall wear spikeless/non-metal spike golf shoes. In consideration of participation, contestant hereby releases Section and holds Section harmless from any and all claims for loss or damage whether or not caused by participant's use of spikeless/non-metal spike golf shoes. Penalty for non-conformance by any participant is Disqualification.

Format: Ages 13-15 and 16-18 play 36 holes. 12 & under play 18 holes on day 1 only. All players must walk and carry/push their own bag.

PACE OF PLAY: 4:17

Tees: Boys 13-15 and 16-18 – **Green** tees.
Girls 13-15 and 16-18 – **White** tees.
Boys 12 & Under – **Gold** Tees
Girls 12 & Under – **Red** Tees

COVID-19 RULES These rules will be strictly enforced. Please understand that these rules are the only thing allowing us to play.

Sanitizers & Masks/facial covering

- We will have hand sanitizer at the tee box, player check in and scoring
- We encourage players to bring their own hand sanitizer
- Masks will be required for all staff on property
- **Players are highly encouraged to have and wear a mask/ facial covering**

Player Check-in

- You may **ONLY** check in 35 minutes before your tee time. If you arrive earlier, you must wait in your car
- Only 1 player may check in at a time. If you are waiting to check-in, please wait 6' apart

Spectators

- **ONLY 2** Spectators per player- we do ask you spectators are immediate family only.
- Only 2 parents/spectators on property at a time, if you bring additional spectators, we will ask them to wait in their vehicles
- Spectator carts will **ONLY** be given if you have a doctor's note or handicap placard. One Person per cart, no exceptions. A player may never be in the spectator's cart. In the event of inclement weather, the spectator may **ONLY** bring in their child. Staff will handle bringing in any additional players

Practice

- You may use the driving range 30 minutes before your tee time. You must be spaced out at a least 6' from the next player
- Player may use the practice green when their group is on-deck. **ONLY 3** people on the green at a time. You must putt/chip to different targets & stay 6' apart

Score cards

- Score cards will be handed directly to the marker. ONLY the marker will touch the score card. At the end of the round you will verbally confirm your scores

Food & Beverage

- There will be NO on course water, please bring your own water. We will have a cooler on the back of the Rules officials' cart. ONLY that official will be allowed to open/close the cooler
- You will be provided lunch, ONE player at a time may enter the club house, pick up their lunch and exit the club house.
- Lunch is ONLY available AFTER your round is completed.

Access to the clubhouse & Restrooms

- ONLY the outside restrooms will be open. They will be cleaned by the facility periodically throughout the day
- You will not have access inside the facility except to pick up your lunch or purchase a spectator cart. Spectator carts MUST have a doctor's note or handicap placard to purchase

During Play

- Social distancing, make it a priority to keep at least 6 feet away from anyone before, during and after the round
- Do not shake hands
- Refrain from touching any other golf ball besides your own
- Golf bags must remain in the golfer's possession at all times. After play, no staff member/other golfer should handle the bag

Scoring

- The group who recently finished is the only group allowed in the scoring area, have chairs or stand at scoring 6' apart
- Staff will sanitize at scoring area and before you leave
- **Don't give scorecard back to owner, marker verbally reads the scores to the owner, once the owner verbally confirms and the player leaves the area, that score is official**
- **Once you are finished you must leave the scoring area. You may NOT stay and wait for scores to come in. We will not have a scoreboard. All results can be found online**
- [Boys Results](#)
- [Girls Results](#)

Inclement Weather Policy

- We will stop play if lightning is within a 15-mile radius
- Once off the course players will be asked to wait in their vehicles. Communications about resuming play will be made via email
- If you cannot wait in your vehicle you may wait inside the clubhouse, but you MUST have a face mask on at all times. You must also stay 6' away from other people

Stopping Play; Resuming Play

- During Immediate Suspensions (such as when there is imminent danger from lightning), shuttles can be utilized to retrieve players from the course. We will prioritize the safety from imminent danger over the recommended social distancing guidelines
- During Normal Suspensions (such as for darkness or unplayable course), all players must walk back into the clubhouse while maintaining social distance
- All players will walk back out to their positions on the course to resume play. No shuttles will be utilized for resumption

Awards

- We will be awarding the following for both Boys & Girls
- Champion & Runner up for the 16-18, 13-15, 12 & Under & overall 13-18 division
- While waiting for the awards please stay 6' apart
- We will take individual photos. There will be NO group photos
- Awards will be on a table for the player to directly pick up themselves
- ONLY family, staff, and players will be allowed at the Awards ceremony. 1 family member per player. We will do the awards by gender & age division. If your group is not being awarded, please wait outside of the covered patio

Bunkers: When a ball is in any bunker, Model Local Rule E-3 is in effect. The player may lift, clean, and place the original ball or another ball in the bunker, within one club-length of the original spot of the ball, no closer to the hole. The relief area must not be smoothed before placing. Penalty for breach of this local rule: General Penalty.

Flagsticks: Rule 13.2 is modified in this way: Players are prohibited from moving the flagstick at any time. Penalty for breach of this local rule: Warning for first breach, General Penalty for any subsequent breach. The player is not penalized under this local rule for accidentally touching the flagstick while removing the ball from the hole.

Holing Out: The definition of Holed is modified in this way: A ball is considered holed if it is resting on an object in place to prevent the ball from falling to the bottom of the cup even if the ball is not completely resting below the surface of the ground. A ball is also considered holed if it hits or touched an exposed hole liner that is raised with the intent to not allow a ball to fall into the cup.

Out of Bounds: In addition to white stakes and lines, Out of Bounds is defined as follows: Hole #1 - inside edge of the entrance drive to the left. Holes #2 and #3 – inside edge of the split rail fence.

Dropping Zone for Immovable Obstruction: (Hole #9, 18).

If a player is entitled to relief from interference from the cart path, clubhouse, flower beds and paved areas around the clubhouse behind #9 and #18 green, then the player may proceed under Rule 16-1 or the player may drop the ball, without penalty, in the closest Dropping Zone.

Red Penalty Area - Hole #13: The opposite margin of the red penalty area to the left extends to infinity.

Integral Part of the Course: The rocks surrounding the trees to the left of No. 4 are considered an integral part of the golf course.

Ground Under Repair: All dirt areas where trees have been removed are ground under repair even if not marked. All deep ruts made by tractors and maintenance equipment are ground under repair, even if not marked. Players should proceed under Rule 16-1.

Drain Cover on Green: The small drain cover on the front right of #13 green is considered an immovable obstruction. You may take relief from the drain under rule 16-1. As stated in rule 16-1, if the ball lies on the putting green, interference also occurs if an immovable obstruction on the putting green intervenes with the line of putt. Otherwise intervention on the line of play is not, of itself, interference under this rule.

Playoff Procedure: In the event of a tie in the overall division, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff beginning immediately following the completion of play, starting on a hole chosen by the committee, and will continue until a winner is determined. We will conduct a playoff for the following position in the Overall category: Champion, Runner Up.

In the event of a tie in one of the age divisions, there will be a hole-by-hole playoff beginning immediately following the completion of play, starting on a hole chosen by the committee, and will continue until a Champion & Runner Up are determined.

Ties for 3rd place in an age division will be broken by a scorecard playoff. The scorecard playoff will be determined by the total score for holes 1-9. If the tying players have the same score for holes 1-9, the winner will be determined on the basis of the last six holes (4-9), then the last three holes (7-9), and finally the 9th hole.

Pace of Play: Please refer to the local pace of play rule. Pace of Play for the round is 4:17.

Doubt as to procedure: If you are uncertain how to proceed, you may play a “second ball” under Rule 20.1c(3). Report to a committee person prior to returning your card.

Spectators: Spectators are allowed but may not communicate with the players in any fashion. Spectators must remain a minimum of 30 yards from the player. ONLY 2 Spectators per player- we do ask you spectators are immediate family only.

****First violation=Warning****

****Second violation=Two stroke penalty****

****Additional violation=Disqualification****