



RULES AND REGULATIONS

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General Rules and Regulations on the Use of Facilities

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I. GENERAL

(1) **Authority:** The “Rules and Regulations” of THE OAKMONT GOLF CLUB, (OGC), (the Club), have been adopted by the Board of Directors. They may be amended from time to time, at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors.

(2) **Purpose:** The “Rules and Regulations” are established to promote the effective, safe and enjoyable use of Club property, to protect the interests of those using the facilities and to assure that Club assets are not abused.

(3) **Violations:** Violations of these “Rules and Regulations” may result in a warning, reprimand, suspension of facility use privileges, or other appropriate action established by the Board of Directors.

(4) **Equal Rights:** OGC is an equal rights organization. Discrimination on the basis of gender, race, religion, color, ancestry or national origin, either as to membership or use of facilities, is prohibited.

II GOLF COURSE PLAY CONDITIONS

Player conduct shall be under the direction and control of the Director of Golf, the Golf Shop staff and the Player Assistant. For maximum player enjoyment, cooperation by members and guests is required.

- (1) All golfers must **REGISTER** at the Golf Shop to receive play approval by the employee in charge. Daily fee players, upon payment of the appropriate fees, will receive a cash register receipt from the employee. While on the course golfers may be requested by Golf Shop Staff and/or Player Assistants to show their cash register receipt to verify payment of such fees.
- (2) **COMMENCING PLAY** from other than your assigned tee is only permitted after checking with the Golf Shop and under the following conditions:
 - (a) Player has paid annual green fees.
 - (b) Player must obtain permission from the Golf Shop Staff and indicate desired starting location, to avoid maintenance, shot gun starts and other player interference.
- (3) All players, including sanctioned “shotgun” starts and daily fee players must pay the prevailing daily fee before proceeding to the assigned tee.
- (4) Proprietary member **HOUSE GUESTS** are welcome upon payment of the applicable guest green fee. Other guests of members, who live outside Oakmont, but within 25 miles, may play at the applicable guest rate once a month. Fees must be charged to account of the member sponsoring the guest to receive this rate. Additional monthly guest play shall be at the non-resident rate.
- (5) **TOURNAMENT PLAY** for Resident/Non-Resident – organized weekly play and tournaments for the Saturday Men and Tuesday Ladies groups shall be approved and coordinated through the Director of Golf and the OGC Golf Committee. Resident events will be scheduled for the following year by September 30.

OUTSIDE TOURNAMENTS may be scheduled by the Director of Golf after giving priority consideration to all Oakmont Golf Club (OGC) tournaments. Outside tournament reservations will require a signed contract and a non-refundable deposit. The Director of Golf will and the Golf Committee may monitor such tournaments.

- (6) **POWERED GOLF CARTS** (see also Golf Shop Operating Policies)

- (a) To reduce wear on the courses and to speed play, only **TWO CARTS** per foursome are permitted.
 - i. All Power Carts must observe posted Golf Cart **RULES OF THE DAY** determined by the Golf Course Superintendent and posted in the golf shops, as well as on the 1st and 10th tees of each course.
 - ii. Power carts shall be kept in the **MIDDLE OF THE PATHS**. Wheels should not go off the pavement and “dog ear” path edges and turf. Only passing carts may go off the path but then must immediately return to the path. When parked, powered golf carts should be completely on the cart paths
 - iii. Carts will proceed to first ball in fairway and proceed in fairway to second ball.
 - iv. Carts will remain on fairway until 30 yards from green and then exit.
 - (b) Players are asked to follow Cart Path rule of the day: When restricted to Cart Path, please stay on Cart Path at all times. When carts are permitted to go off Cart Path, please be aware of where you drive. Avoid wet, grassless or bad spots when possible.
 - (c) Golf Carts must remain on the card paths around Greens & Tees and on ALL par 3’s.
 - (d) OGC maintains the right to require all power carts be kept in safe and environmentally sound condition. OGC also reserves the right to determine which types of power carts are permitted or not permitted on the courses.
- (7) Each player must have his or her own set of clubs.

PRACTICING is not permitted on greens, tees, fairways, bunkers or rough on the courses at any time. **RENTAL RANGE BALLS** may only be used on the driving range, and are not allowed to be removed from the practice range area.

(11) **GROUPS LARGER THAN FOURSOMES** may be allowed on the courses at the discretion of the Director of Golf, or his representative. If there is no group ahead, the pace of play (see 12) below) shall be maintained. In fivesome play, the first player to hole-out must proceed to the next tee and begin play. **SIXSOMES** are not allowed, except for events that sanction such play, such as Mixers, Twilighters and Scrambles.

(12) **SLOW PLAY** is discouraged. A pace of four (4) hours or less on the West Course and three (3) and ½ hours or less on the East Course is recommended. All players are

expected to keep up with the group in front of them. Play “READY GOLF” when safe to do so.

When a group has a complete hole open in front of them, the Director of Golf or his representative is authorized to require the group to let the following group play through, or advance through the open hole without playing hole. The Golf Shop staff and Player Assistant are authorized to monitor “slow play” or “improper conduct” on the golf courses. Golfers who fail to follow instructions may be asked to leave the course and may be denied future playing privileges.

(13) Proper golfing **ETIQUETTE** is expected of all players.

(14) The following are **PROHIBITED** on the course property:

- a. Pets.
- b. Fishing, swimming or wading in the creeks and ponds.
- c. Bicycles, mopeds and skateboards.
- d. Jogging and non-golfing walkers.
- e. Motorized vehicles except licensed golf carts and maintenance equipment.
- f. Abusive language, horseplay and intoxication.
- g. Fishing for golf balls, other than the one in play
- h. All non-authorized persons shall not be on the course.

(15) **JUNIOR GOLFERS** (under 17 years) may play under the following guidelines:

- a. May not operate a powered golf cart, even if accompanied by an adult.
- b. Will be expected to adhere to all Club rules, including proper attire and courtesy.

(16) **24 HOUR CANCELLATION POLICY** – All members **MUST** notify the golf shop staff no later than 24 hours in advance of any cancellation of starting times. The individual making the starting time(s) is responsible for all parties in that starting time. Any “no show” or last minute cancellation without due cause, will be put on notice after the first offense and will be charged a green fee for that time period for any offense thereafter.

(17) **VIOLATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS** will result in the following procedure in a 12-month period.

First Violation- Player will receive a verbal warning from the Director of Golf or Player Assistant and that warning will be recorded in the Marshal Log book.

Second Violation – Player will receive a letter from the Director of Golf with an explanation of violation.

Third Violation – Player will receive a letter from the Board of Directors informing him/her they are now on notice and next violation will result in suspension of play.

Fourth Violation – Player will be suspended from play according to article 4.12 of the OGC By-Laws.

III OAKMONT GOLF CLUB - LOCAL RULES

PREFERRED LIES: Through the Green, a ball may be lifted, cleaned, and placed without penalty within one club length of where it originally lay not nearer the hole. "Through the Green" is defined as the whole area of the course except:

- (a) Teeing ground and putting green of the hole being played.
- (b) All hazards on the golf course.

STAKED TREES OR CAGED TREES: When a staked **or caged** tree interferes with the player's stance or area of intended swing, the ball must be dropped at the nearest point, where relief from the PERIMETER of the tree branches is obtained, no nearer the hole: NO PENALTY.

TREE WELLS WITH ROCKS: Pertains only to "Fairway Oaks" with wells. If your ball lies in the well, or you have to stand in the well to take your normal stance, THEN AND ONLY THEN, the ball may be dropped within one club length of the nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole: NO PENALTY.

IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS: Utility poles, water fountains, water control boxes, bridges, comfort stations, cart paths, ball washers, and all guide wires, RELIEF: Find the nearest point of relief and drop the ball within ONE club length of that point, no nearer the hole: NO PENALTY.

WATER HAZARDS: Defined by YELLOW stakes, burned lines or water lines.

WEST COURSE: Middle of fairway on #s1, 3, 4 & 10, front of #s 9, 16 & 18 tees. Front of #s 2 & 13 (white and blue tees).

NOTE: Drop area for #13 is marked with RED MARKERS

EAST COURSE: Front of #10, #14.

LATERAL WATER HAZARDS: Defined by RED stakes, burned or painted lines. WEST COURSE: Front of #18 tee while playing #10, Left and Rear of #12, far right on #13, pond on #13 for yellow tees only, left and right #17, left on #1, right on #2, #7, #9 right of tee, rear of #1, #6.

EAST COURSE: left on #9, right of #13, #15, left on #16.

GROUND UNDER REPAIR: Ruts caused by golf carts or maintenance equipment and gravel drains through the green are deemed as ground

under repair, as well as other areas so marked. Drop nearest point of relief, no nearer the hole: NO PENALTY.

OUT OF BOUNDS: Defined by WHITE stakes. STROKE AND DISTANCE PENALTY: No private property relief.

POWER LINES: Ball striking overhead power lines must be replayed: NO PENALTY.

DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE: STROKE PLAY ONLY: If you find it necessary to have a ruling, play your original ball PLUS A SECOND BALL; announce your intention to proceed under this rule, and which ball you wish to score with, if the rules permit. Upon completing the round, you must report the facts to the rules committee before signing your scorecard. If you fail to do so, the penalty is disqualification.

IV GOLF SHOP OPERATING POLICIES

(1) **MERCHANDISE** shall not be removed from the Golf Shops without payment, or a signed authorization.

(2) **GREEN FEES:**

(b) Daily Fee Players:

- i. Members requesting member fees must present picture identification to the Golf Shop personnel.
- ii. Non-member residents requesting resident playing fees must display their OVA membership card to the Golf Shop personnel.
- iii. Must keep their receipt for paid fees in their possession while on the golf course.

(c) Special Rates

- i. Active Military – Resident Non-member rate.
- ii. Clergy – No special daily walk-on rates. Clergy of local churches may make written application for special playing privileges to be approved by the OGC Board of Directors.

(d) Professional Courtesies: An active member of the Professional Golf Association (PGA), Ladies Professional Golf Association (LPGA) Club Members Association of America (CMAA) or the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America (GCSAA) may play complimentary golf rounds, if approved by the Director of Golf or the Golf Course Superintendent.

- (e) Inter-Club Tournament Play: All sections of the OGC may schedule complimentary (free) special guest and Home-and-Home functions with other clubs. Such complimentary play must be approved and coordinated with the Director of Golf and the OGC Golf Committee.
- (f) Golf Leagues: League play shall be restricted to specific days, times and rates, as established by the Board of Directors.

(3) POWERED GOLF CARTS:

- (a) Privately Owned:
 - i. Owners must sign a “Hold Harmless” and OGC cart operating rule agreement. *See example below:*

THE OAKMONT GOLF CLUB, INC.

GOLF CART REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Date: _____

Spouse/Other: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

I/We wish to register a privately owned golf cart for use on the OGC Golf Courses. I/We have received the Rules and Regulations for Privately-Owned golf carts.

In consideration of the Oakmont Golf Club, Inc. (OGC) issuing me/us a permit to operate a privately owned golf cart on the Oakmont Golf Courses, I/we agree to the following:

1. The cart shall be maintained in a safe operating condition at all times.
2. The cart shall be operated on the courses only by me/us or our authorized representative. Repeated usage of carts by other than family and friends shall not be authorized. OGC Board enforcement shall apply.

I/We shall not authorize anyone under the age of 18 to operate the cart at anytime. Any operator shall have a valid Drivers License. *(see CC&R & cart rental agreement?)*

3. I/We are familiar with the use and operation of the golf cart and will at all times operate and maintain it in a manner consistent with the protection of persons and property from injury and damage.
4. I/We waive any claim I/we may have against OGC for damage to property or personal injury arising out of the use of the golf cart. OGC will not be held liable for any claim

made by anyone arising directly or indirectly from the use of my golf cart on the Oakmont Golf Courses.

5. I/We will pay OGC the cost of repairing or replacing any property damage caused by the operation of my golf cart.
6. I/We acknowledge that there are risks inherent in the use of the golf cart, and I/we expressly assume those risks, thereby waiving any claim or right of action against OGC for any injury or damage, however caused, that may occur during the operation of my golf cart on the golf courses. I/We further acknowledge that we have proper liability insurance coverage for the operation of our golf cart.

This document represents the full agreement between the parties hereto. The provisions of this agreement shall continue in full force and effect and shall become provisions included in any renewal or extension of this permit agreement.

MAKE OF CART: _____ YEAR: _____ COLOR: _____

OGC Acct. No: _____ CART PERMIT # _____ ELECT _____ GAS _____

Signature Date

Signature Date

- ii. Must display annual sticker license at the REAR of their cart.
- iii. "Licensed" private carts, which are sold during the "annual license period," will *remain with the licensee*
- iv. All Private carts are required to have Sand and Seed bottles.

(c) Daily Powered Cart Rentals (Club Owned):

- i. Must sign a daily rental contract which includes the "Hold Harmless" clause.
- ii. Must be instructed to follow ""Golf Cart Rules of the day" at all times.

(4) **DRESS CODE:**

- (a) **GENTLEMEN** shall wear a collared shirt or approved golf attire. Golf shoes shall be **soft-spiked** or otherwise approved by the Golf Shop staff.

Shirts and shoes are required at all times on the premises. Tank Tops, short-shorts, cutoffs and bathing suits are not allowed.

- (b) **LADIES** shall wear golfing ensembles, blouses, walking or Jamaica length shorts or slacks. Golf shoes shall be soft-spiked or otherwise

approved by the Golf Shop staff. Halter-tops, tank tops, short-shorts, cutoffs and bathing suits are not permitted.

(5) **STARTING TIME PROCEDURE:**

(a) PROPRIETARY MEMBERS:

All starting times sign up three (3) weeks in advance.
Sections sign up according to club procedures

(b) ALL OTHER PLAYERS sign up two weeks in advance.

PLEASE NOTE: *It is suggested that members call the Director of Golf should they have any questions with reference to available starting times.*

V GOLF CLUBHOUSE POLICIES

The following rules serve to clarify how and when the facility may be reserved for use.

- (1) **Availability** – All facilities are on a space available basis.
- (2) **Reservations** may be made through the Food and Beverage Manager of the Club, or Director of Sales and Marketing at the Quail Inn.
- (3) **Agreement** – Any social use, excepting Club meetings, shall require a BANQUET CONTRACT, listing particulars of the event, the club's beverage policy, the liability and the responsibilities of all parties. A list of applicable charges, which vary depending on the membership status of the sponsor and the participants, is available at the office.
- (4) **Food and Beverages** of any description, other than provided by the Club or approved by the Club, are prohibited on the premises.
- (5) **Facility Care** - To assure proper care, the following rules apply:
 - (a) Pets are not allowed.
 - (b) Host assumes the full responsibility for any damage to the building and equipment while the facility is under his/her leave.

Members Code of Conduct

Members and their guests will be expected to conduct themselves in such a manner considered appropriate to common standards of decency and etiquette with other members, guests and employees of the Club and its staff.

Disciplinary action, as necessary, will be determined by the Board of Directors in accordance with paragraph 4.12, of the Club Bylaws.

Personal Property Responsibility

All personal property (clubs, bags, carts, clothing, etc.) stored or left at the Club is at the risk of each individual. The Club assumes no responsibility for articles stolen, lost or damaged. Generally this is covered on one's homeowner's policy and the Club encourages all members to check with their insurance agent for adequate and specific coverage.

Property and Homeowners Rights

Members and guests must respect the rights, safety and welfare of adjacent property and homeowners. This shall be accomplished by not trespassing, climbing on fences, etc; never driving carts or walking on non-golf course property, and taking care in the aiming of golf shots. Individual members and guests are liable for any damage caused to the property or person of any adjacent property owner.

Addendum Oakmont local rules

The United States Golf Association (USGA) **RULES OF PLAY** shall apply. Local rules (see following) may be established from time to time by the Director of Golf.

Play "READY GOLF" when safe to do so (hit when ready.) The following procedures are recommended:

Continuous putting is recommended.

Upon putting out advance to the next tee and hit if the fairway is clear. Don't wait for the others in your group.

- (a) Be prepared to hit when it is your turn. Think ahead.
- (b) Take several clubs along when walking to the ball.
- (c) Keep a spare ball in your pocket.
- (d) Putt while others are raking the bunker or otherwise delayed.
- (e) Don't do scoring on the green, move to the next tee.
- (f) When putting, bags and carts should be left in line with the next tee. Never leave equipment in front of greens while putting
- (g) When addressing the ball, limit yourself to one practice swing.

Proper golfing ETIQUETTE is expected of all players. This covers such diverse areas as keeping up with players in front and repairing minor damage to the course caused by themselves or others. It is in everyone's best interest that infractions of the course rules and of common courtesy, be called to the attention of fellow golfers, when appropriate. Special attention should be paid to:

- (a) Properly repairing and smoothing ball marks on the green.

- (b) Replacing divots and utilize the sand and seed bottles, even if they are not yours.
- (c) Raking prints and marks in bunkers and leaving rakes inside bunkers aligned parallel to the fairway (to diminish obstruction).
- (d) Tapping spike and scuff marks after putting out, particularly around the pin.