

General Golf Rules

Shenandoah Country Club

1. Golf Course

The golf course is open for play 7 days a week. Play generally starts at 7:00 a.m. but may vary depending on seasonal light conditions and weather conditions. The golf season is defined between May 1st and October 15th. (Golf season is defined for established dress code)

2. Use of the golf course

The area within the confines of the golf course is intended solely for the use of the golfing membership and patrons. Dogs or other pets are not allowed on the golf course at any time. Bicycle riding and jogging is not permitted on the golf course at any time. The golf course is deemed to include all golf cart paths and golf staging areas.

3. Registration

All persons playing golf must register themselves and their group in the golf shop before starting play.

4. Starting Times

Starting times may be made (1) week in advance for threesomes and foursomes. Twosomes are restricted to (3) days in advance and will be paired up whenever possible. The Golf Professional's staff will use good faith and best efforts to accommodate the time requests of groups that ordinarily play at or about the same time.

5. Starting Play

Players must always begin at hole #1 including evening play. The only exception to this rule is that player's may begin on hole # 10 with the permission of the Starter. Player's beginning on hole #10 do not have priority over groups turning through #9.

6. Clothing

All persons using the golf course and practice putting green must wear clothing in keeping with Club and golf attire. Sale of merchandise in the golf shop is not a guarantee that it is acceptable attire for the golf course.

Men: Must wear shirts with collars. Sleeveless shirts, denim jeans, short shorts, cut offs or a variation from traditional golf attire are prohibited.

Women: May wear collarless shirts as long as they are conservatively tailored. Pants, shorts and skirts are permitted as long as they are traditional and meet all other guidelines. Tank tops, denim jeans, cut offs, swimwear, sport jerseys or variations from the traditional golf attire are prohibited.

For both Men and Women: Shorts should be of conservative tailoring. Junior golfers and general patrons must adhere to the same guidelines as all other members. Club management and the professional staff are required to deny privileges to any individual whose attire is not considered appropriate.

7. Carts

It is club policy to permit membership and patrons the privilege of operating golf carts as provided by the Club during the play of a round golf and to transport themselves and their equipment to and from the practice range. Members and patrons are strictly responsible for their riders and their own safe operation of the golf carts as not to interfere with fellow player's enjoyment of the game and at all times guarding against injury to persons or damage to property, especially the playing surfaces of the golf course.

The Golf Course Superintendent (or in his absence the Golf Professional) shall decide whether golf carts will be permitted on the course or off the golf cart paths. The decision is based on potential damage to the golf course and the potential injury to the players. Golf carts shall not be rented to nor operated by individuals under 16 years of age.

The Golf Professional's staff is responsible for assigning golf carts and recording golf cart rental fees. All members and patrons are required to obey all golf cart signs on the golf course and displayed in the golf cart itself. The club reserves the right to refuse or cancel use of a golf cart without refunding any fees to any person not following golf cart rules or policies established by Shenandoah's golf committee.

No more than two players and two golf bags per cart are allowed at any time.

Golf carts are not allowed to be taken from the golf course or be driven into the parking lot.

The use of golf carts for spectators during club events will be at the discretion of the Golf Professional.

Enforcement of the golf cart rules shall be the responsibility of all members, golf patrons and the golf staff at Shenandoah. Violations shall be reported to the Golf Professional who in turn report all violations to the golf committee for appropriate action. Both driver and passenger, if they are members may be sanctioned for violations.

8. Etiquette

Any group that is holding up the group following must, as soon as there is one clear hole ahead, allow the following group to play through (courtesy calls for prompt signaling).

A group that is being held up by the players with one clear hole ahead of them may ask to play through if the courtesy is not promptly volunteered. A slower, preceding group should allow those following to play through upon request.

Fivesomes are not permitted except under unusual circumstances sanctioned by the Golf Committee or Golf Professional.

All members and golfing patrons are required to replace their divots, repair their ball marks and rake their bunkers after walking out.

9. Handicaps

Each member is to turn in or post his or her scorecard every time they play a 18 or 9 hole round. Scores are to be recorded using a USGA equitable stroke control adjustment posted in the golf shop and locker room. Tournaments are played using current handicaps updated by the Golf Association of Michigan. The Golf Professional and Golf Committee are responsible for review of all posted scores.

10. Practice Areas

The practice areas will be open from April to November. Driving range hours will be posted in the golf shop and locker room. No practice range balls may leave the designated practice areas. No practice range balls may be used on the course, kept in lockers or put in your golf bags. Violations to these rules will be addressed by the Golf Professional and the Golf Committee.

11. Junior Golf

Junior golfers under 14 years of age must be accompanied by an adult on the golf course and at the practice facility unless otherwise permitted by the Golf Professional. Junior golfers 14 years of age may use the golf course and practice facilities unaccompanied provided they follow Club rules with course care and dress code.

12. Rain Check Policy

When inclement weather causes termination of play, a credit for the green fee or the cart fee may be granted as determined from time to time by the Golf Professional. Credits will only be issued on the day of play for which play was interrupted. It will be the sole responsibility of the players to apply for a rain check from the golf shop.

In the event that play was terminated, golfers will be issued a rain check based on a percentage off of how much they paid and how many holes were completed.