



## NOTICE TO PLAYERS & PARENTS for (U13-19)

### SPECTATOR POLICY 2024

The NJGT strives to provide the best competitive environment for junior golfers, not only to develop their skills as players, but also to develop as young adults. As a result, the NJGT has developed a Spectator Policy to allow junior golfers to develop their own personal decision-making skills without interference from parents or spectators.

The **NJGT** reserve the right to implement a **NO SPECTATOR POLICY**

**Interference and Influence:** Spectators, including parents, are to have no influence on play. Any direction, interference, discipline, scolding, influence, or advice is a violation of the Spectator Policy and/or Code of Conduct. Any of these incidents or similar incidents may result in disqualification of the player. Spectators or parents violating this rule will be asked to leave the course and the property. Incidents will be reviewed by the NJGT Disciplinary Committee to determine any further action. Serious violations may result in not being allowed to participate in future tournaments.

Player Spectator Option: If a player is at all uncomfortable with the presence of a spectator, he/she has the right to have all spectators removed from the area.

**Minimum Distances and Prohibited Areas:** A minimum distance of 11-30 yards must be maintained between the player and spectators in ALL circumstances with the following exceptions:

- Once all players have reached the green, spectators must remain 10 yards from the green where possible.
- Once all players are on the tee, spectators must remain 10 yards from the tee and on the cart path where possible.

- When cart paths are provided, spectators **MUST** stay on those paths. When no cart paths are available, spectators must walk in the outside rough.

Spectators are prohibited from the following areas:

- Tees, Greens and most fairways when cart paths are provided;
- Scoring and Starting areas; and,
- Rules Situations.

**Communication: NO** communication (verbal or non-verbal) is to take place with the players during a stipulated round.

Exceptions:

- I. Cheers and words of encouragement, without disrupting the playing partners
- II. Asking or giving the player food, drink, umbrella or the like;
- III. Need to deal with a medical situation.
- IV. Asking them question relating to water intake, how they are feeling – sun stroke precautions.

**Lost Golf Balls:** The NJGT requests that spectators assist with pace of play by observing when and where golf balls stray. **It is permissible to point to the area where the ball travelled but spectators are not authorized to assist the player in searching for the ball unless asked by the player, official or course Marshall.**

**Equipment and Clothing:** Spectators are permitted to carry items for players (e.g. a rain gear, umbrella, food, and drink). However, once a spectator has given the item to the player they are not to retrieve the item at any time during the round.

**Dress Code:** Each course has its own particular dress code policy. Spectators who do not meet the standard established by the host club and/or the NJGT, will be refused admittance to both the golf course and/or clubhouse. Please contact the Golf Club for more information on a suggested Dress Code for spectators.

**Cell Phones/Smartphones:** Competitors must not be on their phone during the round. Breach of this rule may result in penalties. All mobile devices must be set to the “vibrate” only or “silent” mode or turned off. Many golf clubs have policies that prohibit the use of mobile phones on the golf course and/or in the clubhouse. It is the responsibility of the spectator to follow the policy of our host facility. Exceptions include Tour volunteers and Officials for tournament efficiencies.

**Golf Carts: Spectators may not use golf carts. A no Golf Cart rental policy for spectators is in effect. Exceptions may be granted for medical reasons by contacting tour organizer in advance of the tournament.**

## **PENALTIES**

Based on a breach of the Spectator Policy, any or all of the following penalties could be levied:

- Verbal warning to the spectator and/or the player.
- Two-stroke penalty to the player being followed.
- Disqualification from the tournament of the player being followed.
- Spectator banned from the golf course and or property for the round.
- Spectator banned from the tournament.
- Spectator banned from future NJGT events.

## **OTHER GUIDELINES**

**Alcohol Consumption:** We ask all spectators wishing to consume alcoholic beverages that they do so in the confines of the clubhouse and then only in areas licensed and designed for that purpose. Despite the fact that, some clubs offer this service from “the beverage cart”, we ask that you respect our wishes in our request that the consumption of alcoholic beverages does not take place in the view of our underage participants.

**Smoking on Golf Course:** For those spectators who smoke or use other tobacco products including but not limited to vaping products, we would appreciate you do so out of the players view.



## **AGE DIVISION POLICY**

A player's age will be determined as of August 1<sup>st</sup> of the calendar year for all categories. A player will compete in the same age division all season long.

Example: A 14-year-old junior that will turn 15 years old on or after August 1 of the current calendar year, will compete in the Bantam (U15) division during the entire season. Although the junior will be 15 before the season is complete, they were 14 as of August 1 of the calendar year.

### **North Eastern Junior Golf Tour**

<b>Gender</b>	<b>Division Name</b>	<b>Ages</b>
<b>Girls</b>	<b>U13</b>	<b>10,11,12</b>
<b>Boys</b>	<b>U13</b>	<b>10,11,12</b>
<b>Girls</b>	<b>U15</b>	<b>13-14</b>
<b>Boys</b>	<b>U15</b>	<b>13-14</b>
<b>Girls</b>	<b>U17</b>	<b>15-16</b>
<b>Boys</b>	<b>U17</b>	<b>15-16</b>
<b>Girls</b>	<b>U19</b>	<b>17-18</b>
<b>Boys</b>	<b>U19</b>	<b>17-18</b>



## *North Eastern Junior Golf Tour Weather Policy*

- The only time golf tournaments are stopped for Weather is if, conditions become unplayable or dangerous. Athletes are encouraged to be prepared for adverse weather conditions.
- Conditions can be come unplayable if the course or greens become so wet that the integrity of play is damaged. For example, if there's so much water on the greens that putting becomes nothing more than smacking the ball through puddles, the tournament Directors / Officials could make the determination that the course is unplayable and call a halt to play.
- Dangerous conditions can involve lightning or tornado warnings. With today's weather forecasting ability, golf course weather monitoring teams typically have a weather notification system whereby golfers are called into shelter due to approaching thunderstorms. The NJGT tour may in rare cases, abbreviate the tournament round or temporarily delay play when necessary.
- Ultimately it's rare for tournaments to be canceled due to weather, but it does happen occasionally. It takes more than cold and rain. Rain and windy conditions will not trigger a cancellation of play.
- Cancellation usually involves dangerous weather systems, or torrential downpours that overwhelm a course.



NORTH EASTERN JUNIOR GOLF TOUR

## General Guidelines

- All tournament registrations are to be made in advance through the website' on-line pay process. The NJGT is a Not-For-Profit Corporation, and as such, walk-ons, cash payments are strictly prohibited. On-Line registrations will be open until 1 week from the tournament date.
- If you should need to cancel your athlete's registration, please do so prior to 7 days from the tournament date for a full refund.
- All inquiries should be made to [NJGT@Bell.net](mailto:NJGT@Bell.net).
- Follow the golf course guidelines for arrival times and general procedures associated with the flow of athletes from arrival to departure.
- Rules Officials, course marshals, and tournament representatives are tasked with ensuring that everyone is adhering to the rules of golf, the course' procedural guidelines and all pertinent government restrictions if applicable.
- Pairings and tee-times will be posted on the website 48 hours prior to the tournament. Where possible groupings of 3 players will be made to assist with pace of play.
- The U13 Division will be held to a double par maximum stroke scoring rule.
- Players will be reminded to verbally validate each others scores often throughout the round, as to limit lengthy scoring table discussions towards agreement.

Submitting Scores at the designated scoring table:

- Players will position themselves standing in the designated area at the scoring table.
- Spectators are reminded to stay away from the scoring table.
- Hole by Hole scores can be communicated and confirmed verbally by the marker and player to the Committee in the scoring area.
- Verbal confirmation of a player's hole scores by the marker will be substituted for a signature.



**NORTHEASTERN JUNIOR GOLF TOUR  
TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE 2024**  
**Schedule will be issued By April 1<sup>st</sup>**

**ON LINE REGISTRATION OPENS April 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2024**

**<https://www.NorthEasternJuniorGolfTour.ca/>**

**GOLF TOURNAMENT BOYS: U13, U15, U17, U19**

**GOLF TOURNAMENT GIRLS: U13, U15, U19**

**SPRING / SUMMER SERIES:**

- **TOUR #1 Sunday June 2<sup>nd</sup>**
- **TOUR #2 Sunday June 16<sup>th</sup>**
- **TOUR #3 Sunday June 30<sup>th</sup>**
- **TOUR #4 Early to Mid July**
- **TOUR #5 third week July**
- **Ontario Summer Games August – August 1 to the 4<sup>th</sup>**
- **TOUR #6 Mid August**
- **TOUR #7 Championship 2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> week of August**





The North Eastern Junior Golf Tour has a 6 round spring summer series of tournaments that make up the NJGT 2023 Order of Merit. The last event of the NJGT Order of Merit Series is at the Parry Sound Golf & Country Club on August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

The North Eastern Junior Golf Tour is also offering a stand-alone 1 day golf tournament Championship at the Lively Golf & Country Club

<b>Season Order of Merit (Tournament 1-6)</b>		
	<b>Placing by Division</b>	<b>Points allocated</b>
	<b>1</b>	<b>100</b>
	<b>2</b>	<b>80</b>
	<b>3</b>	<b>75</b>
	<b>4</b>	<b>70</b>
	<b>5</b>	<b>65</b>
	<b>6</b>	<b>60</b>
	<b>7</b>	<b>57.5</b>
	<b>8</b>	<b>55</b>
	<b>9</b>	<b>52.5</b>
	<b>10</b>	<b>50</b>
	<b>11</b>	<b>47.5</b>
	<b>12</b>	<b>45</b>
	<b>13</b>	<b>42.5</b>
	<b>14</b>	<b>40</b>
	<b>15</b>	<b>37.5</b>
	<b>16</b>	<b>35</b>
	<b>17</b>	<b>32.5</b>
	<b>18</b>	<b>30</b>
	<b>19</b>	<b>27.5</b>
	<b>20</b>	<b>25</b>

