

2020 Pasadena City Golf Championship COVID-19 Protocols

The Pasadena City Golf Championship Organizing Committee (“The Committee”) is committed to conducting the 2020 Pasadena City Golf Championship as safely as we can given the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. As such, we are requesting that players adhere to the following protocols at all times.

General

- If you’re not feeling well, please stay home. Upon notification to The Committee, a full refund will be provided
- Wash your hands frequently, use hand sanitizer, and avoid touching your face.
- Players must not touch, handle, or share each other’s equipment.
- Refrain from shaking hands or coming into contact with others on-site.
- Face masks are required to be worn in common areas and where social distancing is not possible including the clubhouse, restaurant, golf shop, restrooms, driving range and all patios.
- Caddies and spectators are prohibited.
- The Committee asks that regardless of their position on the golf course, that players maintain six (6) feet of distance between themselves and other players. This includes when they are preparing for a shot, walking down the fairway/rough, on the teeing ground, on the putting green, and all other locations.
- Participants will not be allowed to congregate anywhere on the property before or after the round including parking lots.
- Blatant disregard for COVID-19 related guidelines will be considered a violation of the USGA’s Code of Conduct. Any player who deliberately ignores this code of conduct policy will be considered guilty of Serious Misconduct (see Rule 1.2b), the penalty for which is Disqualification.

Communication and Preparation Prior to The Event

- *Three days prior to the event*, pairings, the Notice to Players, Hole Locations and group-specific scorecards will be emailed to players. Players are strongly encouraged to print these documents at home as printed copies will not be provided by The Committee.
- *By the evening prior to the event*, players will receive a text message with their Golf Genius ID (GGID) – a unique code that will enable players to enter scores digitally into the USGA Tournament Management mobile app (free to download).
- In addition to the documents listed above, players must bring their own tees, pencils, ball marking pens, hand sanitizer, mask and drinking water as these items will not be provided.

Facilities, Food and Beverage

- John Wells Golf Shop will be open from 9am – 4pm each day

- The Brookside Restaurant is open for outdoor patio dining from 6am – 6pm daily. In addition, they will provide a limited “grab & go” food menu. The on course snack shops will be closed. However, the restaurant will provide a beverage and snack cart on the course during play. All purchases are credit or debit only; cash will not be accepted.
- Robin’s BBQ will be available on the South Patio starting at 9:30a.
- Outdoor dining tables are restricted to a maximum of six people.
- Restrooms on course and in the clubhouse are open.
- On course ball washers, bunker rakes, benches, trashcans, sand buckets, water coolers and drinking fountains have been removed and/or are unavailable for use.

Golf Carts

- Single rider carts will be permitted based on availability. ADA carts will be reserved at all times for first priority. Players are encouraged to walk when feasible.

Driving Range, Practice Putting Greens and Short Game Area

- The driving range will be open at 6am each day. Players are asked to limit their warm up session to no more than 15 minutes to allow time for all players to practice before starting their round. A complimentary “warm-up” bucket of range balls will be provided to each player when requested at check-in.
- Practice putting greens are closed
- Practice Short Game Area is closed

Arrival

- Players are not allowed to access the golf course more than 45 minutes prior to their starting time. If you arrive at the facility prior to this time, you must stay in your vehicle.
- All Participants will check-in at the Brookside Starter’s Window.
- One small snack bag will be available for pick up at the restaurant’s Grab & Go station for each player prior to the beginning of play.
- Tee Prizes will be available in the John Wells Golf Shop for pick up before or after play
- Arrive at the first tee no sooner than 5 minutes before your starting time

Groupings and Starting a Round

- Groups will tee off at 10 minute intervals
- Starters will not distribute materials, nor will any supplies be available on the starting tee
- While maintaining social distancing, the Starter will address pertinent topics with players, including instruction as to who each player will serve as a marker for.
- Players will be required to serve as a marker for another player by keeping score on:
 - The group scorecard emailed the day prior.
 - Players may also keep score on the USGA TM mobile app but will still be required to keep a paper scorecard as a backup.

On The Course

- Groups are required to maintain social distancing from other groups, whether on the starting tee or any other place on the course.
- Restrooms on the course and in the clubhouse are open.
- On course ball washers, bunker rakes, benches, trashcans, sand buckets, water coolers and drinking fountains have been removed and/or are unavailable for use.
- On course snack and beverage shops will be closed. However, the restaurant will be providing snack and beverage cart from which players may purchase available items via credit or debit card; cash is not accepted.
- Due to the absence of bunker rakes and inconsistent bunker conditions, if a player's ball comes to rest in a bunker, he or she may:
 - Take free relief once by placing the original ball or another ball:
 - » Within one club-length of the original spot;
 - » Not nearer the hole;
 - » In the same bunker.
 - Smooth the sand with his or her feet, or a club, *after hitting their ball out of the bunker.*
- As a stroke play competition, each player must hole out on each hole.
- Holes have been adjusted with pool noodles inserted into the cup. The ball must remain in the hole and below the surface of the cup for it to be considered holed.
- Players must not remove the flagstick.

After the Round, Scoring and Awards

- Immediately after the round, players will go to the scoring area while maintaining social distancing to review scores with a member of tournament committee.
- The player, his or her marker, and tournament committee member will verbally verify hole-by-hole scores and the player will attest the results.
- Scorecards will not be physically exchanged, signed, or handed over to the committee.
- Once the results have been attested and the player exits the scoring area, the scorecard is considered returned under the Rules of Golf.
- After completing the scoring process, players will be encouraged to leave the premises.
- All ties will be broken using the USGA suggested method of matching scorecards unless otherwise noted.
- There will not be a public scoreboard with results. All results will be visible on the tournament website as well as on the restaurant televisions for those that desire food and beverage.
- Winner's trophies and scrip will be provided following the completion of play where practical and where not practical will be mailed or made available for pick-up at Brookside.