



CHICAGO WOMEN'S DISTRICT GOLF ASSOCIATION

COVID – 19 General Policies

All members and participants should understand the CWDGA is committed to strict compliance with all applicable government and health organization orders to keep the safety and well-being of all constituents. These procedures were created on the guidance of international, national, and local health organizations and administrations, as well as the Golf Operational Restrictions set by the State of Illinois and Back2Golf. All procedures and policies set forth in conducting our events shall be subject to change should restrictions be lifted or modified.

GUIDELINES:

It is expected that all participants adhere to the guidelines in place at each event. The CWDGA will monitor compliance. **Failure to comply with guidelines may result in Disqualification and removal from the event.**

- All participants and CWDGA volunteers must maintain social distancing. This means, regardless of a player's position on the golf course, players maintain 6 feet of distance between themselves and other players. This includes when they are preparing for a shot, walking down the fairway/rough, standing on the teeing area, standing on the putting green, and all other areas of the golf course.
- All players must refrain from touching other participants in any way, unless they are from the same household, including shaking hands prior to and following the round.
- Players must not touch, handle, or share each other's equipment.
- **Bunkers** – All rakes will be removed from the golf course. Reference CWDGA'S Rules Sheet for proper relief procedures. Players should smooth the sand using their feet or club when exiting the bunker.
- **Flagstick** – Players must not touch or remove the flagstick. Attending the flagstick as outlined in the Rules of Golf is suspended until further notice. Reference CWDGA's Rules Sheet for penalty statement.
- **Holing Out** – To allow players to remove the ball without touching the hole, a hole insert might be used. Reference CWDGA's Rules Sheet for the event.
- **Spectators** – No spectators are allowed.
- Players are encouraged to wear a mask when not able to maintain social distancing. Masks **must** be worn at all times inside the clubhouse.
- Players should wash hands frequently and bring hand sanitizer to use during the round.
- CWDGA staff will have hand sanitizer and disinfectant for scoring and starting areas.

ILLNESS OR COVID-19 RELATED

- If a player is feeling ill or has been exposed to someone that has tested positive for COVID-19 within 14 days of the event start date, the partners should work together to find replacement players or play by themselves.
- Partner changes will be accepted up to three days prior to the tournament date. The CWDGA will not find replacements.
- If a participant tests positive with COVID-19 shortly after an event, they should inform the CWDGA.
- If a CWDGA staff member tests positive for COVID-19, it could result in a suspension of the event schedule until we can guarantee that fellow staff members are in good health and can be onsite at future events.

WITHDRAWALS/REFUNDS

- We understand that circumstances and safety concerns may change at the last moment. For 2020 events, all players who withdraw will receive a full refund as long as notification is sent via email prior to the player's tee time. Withdrawals must be sent via email to our Tournament Chair, Diane Mazurczak, dilmazu0cwdga@aol.com.