

GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE INFORMATION

AS THE 2018 GOLF SEASON BEGINS, THE GOLF ADVISORY COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO REMIND ALL GOLFERS OF THE FOLLOWING:

BASIC GOLF ETIQUETTE

Having looked at the rules of play there are many things to be aware of when playing a round of golf. Good golf etiquette can go a long way to endear you to your fellow golfers and neighbors. Here are some simple tips to follow:

- Always be early for your tee off time.
- Managing your golf cart with your playing partner is tremendously important in terms of playing speed or pace of play. Drop your partner off at their ball and drive on to where your ball lies. Do not wait for them to play their shot and get back in the cart before driving to your ball.
- While others are putting, take this time to judge the read of your own putt. If everyone waited until it was their turn to putt before looking at it, the golf course would quickly become blocked with players.
- Always repair the ground you play on, including greens, fairways and bunkers. If you rake a bunker, do it properly instead of just going through the motions. As you walk away, look at the bunker and ask yourself if you would be happy if your ball landed in that spot. Remember to place the rake in the bunker.
- Silence your mobile phone. If you must make a call make it quick and out of view and earshot of other golfers.
- Try to always look your best on the golf course. If you look good on the golf course, you will instantly command respect from other players and residents which can go a long way.
- Finally, always pay attention to what is happening around you on the golf course and learn what to do in certain situations. Things like letting faster groups play through, placing the flagstick carefully on the putting surface and always praising your playing partners when they hit good shots are all examples of simple etiquette that can make the golf experience at Greenbriar Oceanaire a pleasant one

SPEED OF PLAY

- Be ready to hit when it is your turn. Don't wait for someone to say "you are away".
- Think about your next shot as you are walking to your ball. Think about club selection before you arrive at your ball.
- While someone else is hitting, size up your own shot or putt; have the club you want ready. Take your practice swing and be ready to hit.

- If the player with the Honor is not ready on the tee box, go ahead and hit. Protocol is nice, but speed of play should take precedence. With the exception of tournament play, play “ready” golf
- Move on to the next tee box before you mark your scores.
- When it is Cart Path Only, take several cubs with you to your shot.

RANGERS

- It is the ranger’s job to assist the pro shop in maintaining speed of play and to ensure members are following course rules. Rangers are authorized to regulate play and to maintain an acceptable pace of play. If a golfer fails to heed the advice of a ranger (i.e. increase pace play), the ranger or pro shop staff have the authority to remove the member(s) from the course.
- Obscene, profane, or abusive language towards a ranger or pro shop staff will not be tolerated! Such actions are addressed in the Violations section of the Rules and Regulations of the Greenbriar Oceanaire Golf Course.

OTHER

- Care should be taken when removing and replacing the flag stick. The putter head should not be used as a retriever to extract golf balls from the hole.
- Course maintenance personnel have the right of way at all times. For their safety, do not hit until they wave you up to readily acknowledge your presence.

LET’S ALL HAVE A GREAT 2018 GOLF SEASON

The Golf Advisory Committee