



Northern Ohio Section

Junior Tour

Spectator Information Sheet

We, at the Northern Ohio PGA Junior Tours appreciate your attendance at our events. Should you have any questions during the course of play please do not hesitate to contact a Tournament Official or the Host Professional.

We remind you, as a spectator, that our tournaments exist for the sole-benefit of the contestant.

Failure to follow the spectator guidelines may result in one or more spectators being asked to leave the premises of the current event and/or all remaining events of that season.

10.2 Advice and Other Help

Purpose of Rule: A fundamental challenge for the player is deciding the strategy and tactics for his or her play. So there are limits to the advice and other help the player may get during a round.

a. Advice

During a *round*, a player must not:

- Give *advice* to anyone in the competition who is playing on the *course*,
- Ask anyone for *advice*, other than the player's *caddie*, or
- Touch another player's *equipment* to learn information that would be *advice* if given by or asked of the other player (such as touching the other player's clubs or bag to see what club is being used).

This does not apply before a *round*, while play is stopped under [Rule 5.7a](#) or between *rounds* in a competition.

b. Other Help

(1) Pointing Out Line of Play for Ball Anywhere Except on Putting Green. A player may have his or her *line of play* pointed out by:

- Having his or her *caddie* or any other person stand on or close to the player's *line of play* to show where it is, **but** that person must move away before the *stroke* is made.
- Having an object (such as a bag or towel) set down on the *course* to show the *line of play*, but the object must be removed before the *stroke* is made.

(2) Pointing Out Line of Play for Ball on Putting Green. Before the *stroke* is made, only the player and his or her *caddie* may point out the player's *line of play*, **but** with these limitations:

- The player or *caddie* may touch the *putting green* with a hand, foot or anything he or she is holding, **but** must not *improve* the *conditions affecting the stroke* in breach of [Rule 8.1a](#), and
- The player or *caddie* must not set an object down anywhere on or off the *putting green* to show the *line of play*. This is not allowed even if that object is removed before the *stroke* is made.

A few reminders for all the spectators regarding the competition:

1. Conversation with contestants should only take place before and after their round (Only contact should be when giving the player food, water, rain gear, etc.)
2. Spectators under the age of 16 should be accompanied by an adult.
3. Caddies may only be used during a 9-hole Futures tour events.
4. All players must carry his/her own clubs or use a push cart during a stipulated round. In the event that a player has a disability, motorized golf carts will be allowed during their round.
5. For safety reasons, spectators should remain on golf car paths. If no paths are available, spectators should remain 15+ yard away from competitors. Spectators are also responsible for their own safety and must spectate at their own risk.
6. Cameras are permitted at all NOPGA Junior events; However, they must not interfere with play during the round.
7. Cell Phones are also permitted at all NOPGA Junior Events; However, they should be set to silent mode. No communication between player and spectator should happen unless an emergency situation arises.
8. In case of inclement weather leading to suspension of play (One long air-horn blast), all players and spectators must immediately take shelter. We ask that if a spectator has a cart and is assisting in bringing players in, please follow safety guidelines for a golf car. We will have many people assisting the clearing of the golf course and our players safety comes first.
9. After the completion of play, only players are allowed inside the scoring area.