

# Essex Kent Junior Golf Hughes Tour Code of Conduct

Soft spike rule in place at all courses we play

Essex Kent Junior Golf Hughes Tour provides a worthwhile activity, which can be pursued throughout life and which helps develop character and good sportsmanship. The following is a Code of Conduct, which is a guideline for junior golfers to follow throughout the tournaments, both on and off the course. The Code of Conduct is intended to help participants understand the consequences of their actions.

### **Essex Kent Junior Golf Hughes Tour**

- 1. USE DECENT AND PROPER LANGUAGE AND BEHAVIOR AT ALL TIMES.
  - a. UNSPORTSMANLIKE CONDUCT EXAMPLES

Cheating, unreported violation of a RCGA Rule of golf, swearing, obscene vulgar language or gestures, throwing clubs, displaying poor attitude, behaviour or conduct.

- b. PROHIBITED TO USE
  - Smoking, or use of tobacco or chewing tobacco, alcohol or drugs (unless with medical authorization).
- 2. RESPECT AND CARE FOR THE PROPERTY OF OTHERS AND OF THE GOLF COURSE
  - a. PROPER EXAMPLES

Replace divots, repair ball marks, rake bunkers and use proper containers for garbage.

- b. IMPROPER EXAMPLES
  - Damaging greens, defacing or destroying club property, littering, leaving divots or ball marks failure to rake bunkers, etc.
- 3. CELL PHONES, IPODS AND MP3 PLAYERS ARE PROHIBITED FOR USE ON THE GOLF COURSE BY PLAYERS.

## **Player Attire**

- 1. GOLF ATTIRE FOR PLAYERS (Volunteers and Walking Scorers are encouraged to follow the tour dress code and to be a role model with regard to their choice of golf course attire).
  - a. PROPER ATTIRE FOR BOYS, GIRLS, and VOLUNTEERS
    - Neat and clean clothing, shoes, sleeves and collars on boys' shirts and collars on girls' shirts. Boys shirts must be tucked in, girls shirts must be worn as the manufacturer intended.
    - Boy's shorts must not be lower than the bottom of the knee.
    - Length of girl's shorts must be no shorter than 6 inches in length from the top of the knee. All hats must be worn bills forward, and all shirts must be tucked in, at all times.
    - No bare midriff showing.

#### b. IMPROPER ATTIRE

Athletic shorts, short shorts, tee shirts, tank tops, jeans (denim of any color), cut-offs, sweats, spandex and halter tops.

#### 2. PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF CODE OF CONDUCT AND PLAYER ATTIRE

If unable or unwilling to abide by Essex Kent Junior Golf Hughes Tour of Conduct (#1 Player Attire) the player will not be able to play that event.

First Infraction Warning

Second Infraction 2 stroke penalty

Third Infraction Disqualification from this and next Southland event for that player

Fourth Infraction Disqualification and cannot play the rest of the year.

Note: Disqualification can pre-empt warning if violation is flagrant. Penalty for unauthorized

practice rounds (i.e. sneaking on the golf course) - DQ from that tournament

## **Players' Rules**

Arrival time: check in at registration desk 30 minutes before tee time.

- Caddies or motorized carts are not permitted Penalty: DISQUALIFICATION. (Pull carts OK)
- R.C.G.A rules apply unless specifically advised by the Tour Director.
- IMPORTANT Withdraw a minimum of 48 hours (48 hours is defined as from the beginning, or first tee time, of the tournament) notice to tournament director (not golf course) of cancellation. Does not affect future tournament play.
- IMPORTANT "NO-SHOW" (failure to give notice) less than 48 hours (48 hours is defined as from the beginning, or first tee time, of the tournament) notification to tournament director (notifying golf course is not acceptable) of withdrawal. Failure to give such notice may result in player being DISQUALIFIED from the next Essex Kent Junior Golf Hughes Tour event in which the player is entered, Pick-up" (Quit) without permission of the Tournament Director, before play is officially ended, the player is DISQUALIFIED and may be suspended from the next event in which the player is entered.
- Any boy who qualifies for the Jamieson Tour cannot participate in the Southland Insurance Junior Tour.
- Players may be penalized for slow play if more than one hole is open ahead or if not completing a set of holes in a time specified by the committee. A player may be subject to penalty as specified in R.C.G.A. Rule, if, when it is their turn to play they are observed to require in excess of 40 seconds for two separate shots. No practice chips or putts are allowed onto or near the green of any hole just completed. Penalty: 2 strokes applied to next hole.
- After players have left the attesting table, cards are considered officially turned in to the Committee and no changes may be made. The definition of the Committee is: "person/persons at the attesting table."

## **Spectator Policy**

- 1. Spectators will be permitted. Players are held responsible for the action of their families, relatives or friends.
  - a. Spectators must keep their distance from players on the course and until players leave the attesting area (Where possible the spectator should remain 25 yards from the players). No Coaching is allowed at any time during tournament play (Does not apply to 9 Hole tournaments).

- b. Abuse (including abuse of cell phone restrictions), harassment or interference with volunteers or officials will not be tolerated.
- c. Spectator carts will be allowed. Players cannot ride in spectator carts during tournament play.
- d. Please use discretion when smoking in front of players and in the clubhouse area.
- 2. Dress Code For Gallery All spectators, family members and others, must observe the dress code of the course being played.

#### **Penalties**

First offense Warning

Second infraction Person asked to leave the course and may be refused future privileges.

If person refuses to leave, the player may be DISQUALIFIED from the Tournament being played or suspended indefinitely from future Essex Kent

Junior Golf Hughes Tour events.

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