

# WESTFIELDS GOLF CLUB

## **TOURNAMENT SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES**

Below are the following social distancing guidelines for all Westfields Golf Club events. These guidelines are based on recommendations from the local, state, federal governments, and the Back2Golf phasing. Due to the fluid situation, these guidelines may change, and a final set of guidelines may be created for each event. Any player who blatantly disregards these guidelines may be subject to disqualification and removal from the facility.

### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

The following guidelines should always be followed:

- Do not play if you feel sick or have been in contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 within the last two weeks.
- For players feeling ill after the deadline, but before the first round, a refund will be given.
- Stay at least six (6) feet away from anyone at all times.
- Players should not touch or handle any tournament supplies or equipment that do not belong to them.

### **STAFF GUIDELINES**

Westfields Staff Members:

- Staff members will have a temperature check and COVID screening before each shift
- Staff members are required to wear a face covering in any public areas and inside the Club House
- Staff members are to maintain (6) feet away from other staff and guests as much as possible
- Staff members are required to wash their hands at least once per hour.
- Staff members handling food and beverage are required to wear gloves.

### **BEFORE A PLAYER'S TEE TIME**

Registration

- As much as possible, make payment available online prior to the event. Tournament registration fees, mulligans, raffle tickets, etc. (when applicable) should be available for purchase online to avoid handling of cash/credit cards on site.
- Westfields Golf Club will provide "Sneeze Guard" shields to volunteers at Registration
- Carts will be staged at least six (6) feet apart in the staging area.

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- We encourage players who are comfortable walking and carrying their own clubs to please do so. You can also use the golf cart as a “caddy” to transport your golf bag while you walk to you ball.

## Starting

- Players may come to the 1<sup>st</sup> tee within five minutes of their tee time or once the previous group is off the tee if tee times are delayed.
- For Shotgun Starts – If there is an A&B group on the tee we ask the B group to hang back at least 6 feet from the A Group until they leave the tee. The same practice should be applied throughout the round if there are multiple groups on a tee box at the same time.

## DURING THE ROUND

### Social Distancing on the Course

- Take special precautions on the teeing area and the putting green as players will be in the closest proximity to the other players.

### Golf Course Touchpoint Areas

- Holes on course will have an upside down cup to allow for the golf ball to drop below the lip of the hole without falling all the way down to the cup. Flagsticks will not be touched or removed in any circumstances.
- Bunker rakes have been removed from the bunkers on course. That area should be played as Ground Under Repair and players can move their ball without penalty to get relief from any footprints or divots. **THE RELIEF MUST REMAIN IN THE BUNKER.**
- Water coolers, ball washers, and other convenience items have been removed from the course
- Restroom facilities are open at the Clubhouse, however our on-course restroom has been removed for the time being.

### Severe Weather

- During a stoppage of play, players will drive their golf cart directly to their car in the parking lot (if possible) and get in the car for safety.
- If they do not have a car on the property, we ask players to spread out throughout the clubhouse to maintain social distancing.

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## **FOOD & BEVERAGE**

- Under Phase 3 Guidelines for Northern Virginia our Grill Room will be able to operate at capacity assuming social distancing. Our banquet facility has a capacity of 208 guests.
- We also have an Open Air Pavilion outdoor space that can be utilized for post round meal and awards reception. It also has a capacity of over 200 guests.
- Tables are limited to 6 chairs each and will be spread 6 ft. apart for social distancing.
- Under Phase 2 Buffet will be single sided with a Food & Beverage Attendant serving the selections in a Mask & Gloves. In Phase 3 self-serve Buffets are allowed with a hand sanitizing station at the beginning of the buffet and with utensils being changed hourly. However, we are happy to continue offering staff served buffets through the remainder of 2020 if that is your preference.
- Social Distancing should be practiced throughout any post round awards program.

## **ENHANCED CLEANING**

- Golf Carts are being fully sanitized following each use and again in the morning when they are staged for the day. Staff will have cleaning solution for on the spot cleaning opportunities as well.
- Touch point surfaces in the Club House including restrooms, door handles, dining tables & counters are being disinfected hourly.
- Hand sanitizer and sanitizing stations have been set up around the Club House.