



LAKEWOOD NATIONAL
Golf Club
AT LAKEWOOD RANCH

GOLF CLUB
RULES AND REGULATIONS

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GENERAL INFORMATION

The following Rules and Regulations (the “Rules”) have been adopted by the Lakewood National Golf Club Board of Directors. It is the intent of these Rules to create policies to ensure the Members have the maximum use and enjoyment of the amenities and common areas. Enforcement of these Rules will be vested with the General Manager and his/her designated staff. It is the responsibility of all Members to review and understand these Rules, and to comply and cooperate with staff in the enforcement of these Rules.

The Rules of Lakewood National Golf Club (the “Club”) are designed to protect the rights and privileges of the Members of the Club as well as to protect the Club’s assets and property. The Rules have been formulated to acquaint the Members of the Club with the proper conduct on, and utilization of, the amenities and common grounds. The Rules included herein should not be interpreted as a standalone document; instead, they should be interpreted in conjunction with the appropriate covenant(s) in the Declaration.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership shall be deemed to include one or two natural persons each of whom shall customarily reside and live together and otherwise hold themselves out as a single housekeeping unit. Additionally, membership shall extend to dependent children under the age of 21 as set forth in the Declaration.

ACCESS CREDENTIALS

Members 16 years of age and older are entitled to receive a Member ID (access card) for access to the amenities. Member IDs shall contain, at minimum, the name of the Member and their photo.

Vehicles registered to a Member shall be entitled to receive a gate access device (barcode, RFID, etc.). In no instance shall a household have more than 4 active gate devices without the written permission from the Association.

TRANSFER OF MEMBERSHIP

Members in good standing with the Club may transfer their membership to their tenant. Membership transfers must be for a minimum period of 30 days, or one month, whichever is less. Membership cannot be transferred more than 12 times within a 12-month period. Membership transfer forms and a copy of the lease agreement must be submitted to the Club 15 days prior to the start of the transfer period. The Club will also charge an administrative fee to process the transfer in an amount set by the Board from time to time.

During the transfer period the owner’s access to the Club shall be suspended.

CLUB STAFF AND VENDORS

All Members, Transfer Members, and Guests are to be respectful of the Club's staff and vendors. In no manner shall any Member, Transfer Member, and/or Guest interfere with the management of the Club. Serious complaints regarding Club staff or vendors shall be made in writing to the General Manager.

USE OF THE CLUB

1. Members, Transfer Members, and Guests shall, at all times, conduct themselves in an orderly fashion.
2. Proper attire is to be worn at all times in accordance with the acceptable practice for the particular area of the Club.
3. Subscriptions, petitions, and/or notices shall not be distributed or posted on any Club property without prior written consent of the Club.
4. Parents are responsible for the conduct of their children at all times.
5. The cost of repairing or replacing any property of the Club that is broken, damaged, and/or removed by a Member, Transfer Member, and/or Guest shall be charged to offending individual.
6. No food or beverage shall be brought into the Clubhouse or consumed on Club premises unless purchased from the Club.
7. Pets are not permitted within the Club.
8. Personal property shall not be left unattended on the Club's property. The Club is not responsible for damaged or stolen property.
9. Smoking, including the use of E-cigarette and Vape devices, is prohibited within 50 feet of all buildings.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

1. Practice balls will be organized in pyramid fashion at the full swing practice facility during normal business hours.
2. Members who have full swing practice facility usage rights may request shag bags of practice balls for use on the short game greens.
3. Members may use their own balls on the short game practice facility after checking in at the Golf Shop.
4. The Club reserves the right to close the practice facilities for maintenance or due to weather conditions.

GOLF COURSE RULES

In setting these rules for the use of the Golf Course, the management is in no way attempting to restrict the enjoyment obtained from playing the course. It is however, necessary to follow certain procedures to ensure maximum enjoyment and safety to all golfers. It is hoped that pride in our Club, together with the thoughtfulness and consideration we afford our fellow golfers, will make enforcement of any rules unnecessary.

1. The rules of golf from the United States Golf Club (USGA) govern play.

2. The use of the Golf Course is supervised by the General Manager and Head Golf Professional.
3. Without exception all players must register at the Golf Shop before playing the Golf Course.
4. The Head Golf Professional and Golf Course Superintendent shall determine when the course conditions prohibit play.
5. All play must start on designated Number 1 tee unless otherwise directed by Club staff.
6. No more than four players per group are permitted unless authorized by Club staff.
7. Practice golf activities shall be limited to those areas of the golf course designated for such activities. Practice is prohibited to, or on, regular greens and fairways of the golf course.
8. The Head Golf Professional may establish certain days and times during which the course shall be reserved for men's and women's golf days and special events.
9. All paper, bottles, cans and other trash should be placed in a trash receptacle.
10. Each player must have a set of clubs and a golf bag when playing the course.
11. No coolers are allowed on the Golf Course unless supplied by the Club.
12. Ball hawking is not permitted at any time.
13. Damage to any private property, outside the boundaries of the golf course, caused purposely or by accident, shall be the responsibility of the person causing the damage.

GOLF CART OPERATION

1. Individuals operating carts must have a valid driver's license.
2. Carts are restricted to two riders and two bags.
3. During normal operating conditions, the 90-degree rule is always in effect. Carts are to remain on cart paths until reaching a point adjacent to where the ball lies. At that point, carts may be driven across fairway directly to the ball and should return to the cart path on the same line after the shot has been played.
4. The Golf Professional and Golf Course Superintendent shall determine when golf cart operation is prohibited or restricted to paths only.
5. No personal golf carts are permitted on the golf course at any time.
6. Carts must remain on the cart path on par 3s at all times.
7. The driver of the cart always assumes responsibility for returning the cart in the same condition.
8. The driver is also responsible for any damage that occurs through operation of the vehicle.
9. Carts are never permitted on the shoulder or surface of any tee, green or bunker. The roped areas indicate the superintendent restricted areas for cart traffic. Exception: When handicap flag policy is in effect.

HANDICAP FLAG POLICY

The Club offers the use of Handicap Flags for golf carts for those individuals who, for medical reason, will benefit from their use. A golfer who submits a valid handicap parking permit from any government agency may be extended this privilege. Handicap Flag privileges may be suspended or revoked, with or without warning, for abusers of this policy.

1. The Handicap Golf Cart may be driven up to the green or tee.
2. AT NO TIME should a Handicap Golf Cart be parked or driven on the green or tee.

3. NO CARTS are allowed beyond the boundary of the course which is defined by out-of-bounds stakes.
4. In case of inclement weather or certain golf course conditions, carts may be restricted to the cart paths. NO HANDICAP PRIVILEGE will be extended for that time. If cart path only is limited to select holes, Handicap Privilege will NOT be extended for those holes so designated.
5. Handicap flag privileges are extended only to the person who has submitted valid documentation and has been approved for its use. This privilege does NOT extend to an additional cart rider or spouse that is not registered within the Handicap Flag Program.
6. The Course Ambassador has absolute authority for all traffic control. If a player refuses to abide by the rules of the day (as stated above), his/her Handicap Flag Privileges may be suspended after review by the Golf Professional.

GOLF CLUB DRESS CODE

1. Golfers must wear proper golf attire at all times.
2. Men cannot wear jeans, bathing attire, T-shirts, shirts without collars, gym shorts, tank tops, mesh shirts, cut-offs, tennis shorts and shorts that are not more than 17-inches long on the out seam.
3. Ladies cannot wear jeans, bathing attire, T-shirts, gym shorts, tank tops, tube or halter tops, mesh shirts, cut-offs, tennis skirts or shorts that are not 17-inches long on the out seam. Dress shirts without collars are permitted; however, shirts must have a collar if they do not have sleeves.
4. Juniors — normal junior sportswear, which means shirts with a collar, decent length slacks or skirts. No cut-offs or jeans.

Anyone not conforming to the dress code outlined above will be asked to change before he or she will be allowed to play golf or use the practice facility.

TEE TIME POLICIES

The following policies are not meant to limit or restrict the enjoyment of the Golf Course, but to provide an enjoyable opportunity for golf.

1. All tee times will be made by membership I.D. number.
2. Members and transferees may make tee time requests up to 14 days in advance. The Club uses a tee time lottery system that will assign tee times to Members 7 days in advanced based on current points.
3. Notice of cancellation should be given at least twenty-four hours prior to tee time. Anyone found not giving adequate notice of cancellation may have their golfing privileges suspended.
4. Players must be ready to commence play at the time established by their starting time or lose their starting time. In the event of such loss, the players may not commence play until authorized by the golf shop staff.
5. The Club has the right to reserve tee times for internal or external marketing and sales purposes. Club reserved tee times that are not filled will become available to members 24 hours prior to the tee time.

WALKING

1. Walking will be permitted following booked tee times (riding) for that day of play. Specific start times and availability will be determined by the Club from time to time based on levels of play.
2. The Club reserves the right to impose a fee for walking.

JUNIOR PLAY

1. Children, 18 through 21 years of age, who reside with their parents are entitled to the same privileges as their parents.
2. Juniors, under 18 years of age, are not allowed to start before 2:30pm unless accompanied by an adult golfing member.
3. The Head Golf Professional may waive restrictions for juniors provided they are able to assure the Golf Professional that they have adequate knowledge of golf rules and golf etiquette.

GOLF COURTESY AND ETIQUETTE

Golf is a game where courtesy and etiquette should always be observed. The following policies should be strictly adhered to for the maximum enjoyment of everyone using the golf course.

1. Please repair ball marks on greens and sand divots in fairways.
2. Please rake your tracks leaving a sand bunker.
3. After finishing a hole, place the flag in the hole and leave the green area immediately. Proceed to the next tee, do not remain parked along the side of the green; mark your scores at the next tee.
4. Please be respectful of private property surrounding the golf course. Under no circumstances shall electric carts be driven on, or any shot played from, other than golf course property.
5. Slow Play — Players are required to maintain a pace of play that keeps them up with the group in front of them. Rangers and/or Golf Shop Staff consistently monitor the speed of play and are required to enforce the following policy for the pleasure and enjoyment of the entire field:
 - First Offense: The group has fallen behind the group in front of them and has fallen behind the allotted time limit for their position on the course. The ranger will indicate your group is out of position and that you need to catch up to the group in front.
 - Second Offense: The group has not improved their position. The ranger will approach the group and inform them of their second warning and that the next offense will require them to skip an entire hole
 - Third Offense: The group has been warned properly and has not improved their position. The ranger will escort the group to the next hole.
6. Inexperienced golfers are asked to refrain from playing during peak times of the day.

GOLF HANDICAPS

A golf handicap service is provided for members and transferees for a yearly fee to be determined by the head Golf Professional.

1. To establish an accurate and legitimate handicap, players are requested to post scores after each complete round of golf.
2. To be eligible for tournament play, an authorized USGA handicap may be required as deemed necessary by the Head Golf Professional.

FITNESS CENTER RULES

1. Open hours: 24 hours 7 days a week.
2. Use equipment at your own risk.
3. The Association is not responsible for any injuries or accidents.
4. No food or beverages allowed other than water. No glass allowed.
5. No children under 12 years of age allowed in the fitness center. Children between the ages of 12 and 16 may use the facility if accompanied and supervised by a parent or guardian.
6. Proper attire must be worn including shirts and sneakers.
7. No wet bathing suits or bare feet.
8. No pets permitted in the fitness center.
9. Report damaged or dangerous equipment to the Fitness Director immediately.
10. Use equipment properly and follow directions carefully.
11. Do not use weights while on cardio equipment.
12. Wipe down equipment before and after use.
13. Return weight plates and dumbbells to their designated places.
14. Do not slam or drop weight on the floor.
15. If unfamiliar with equipment do not use, or please seek guidance from the Fitness Director.
16. Do not lean on mirrors.
17. Limit cardio equipment use to 30 minutes if others are waiting.
18. Outside personal trainers are not permitted unless approved in writing by the Fitness Director.

RACQUET SPORTS RULES

1. The United States Tennis Association code shall govern play.
2. Guests must be accompanied by a member.
3. Proper tennis attire is required. Smooth-soled shoes are required. No hard-sole shoes are permitted.
4. The Association shall utilize a court reservation system and may periodically close courts for lessons, leagues, and/or match play.
5. Due to the noise associated with Pickleball, play is only permissible from dawn to dusk.

POOL AND SPA RULES

1. Open hours: Dawn to Dusk.
2. No lifeguard on duty. Swim at your own risk.
3. Use of the pool, spa, and deck area is restricted to Members, Transfer Members, and guests accompanied by the Member. Members are limited to a maximum of 6 guests.
4. Shower before entering.
5. No glass or pets in the fenced pool area.
6. No food or beverages in pool, spa, and/or on the wet deck (5' from the water).
7. Do not swallow the water, it is recirculated.
8. Do not use pool or spa if you are ill with diarrhea.
9. Smoking, including the use of E-cigarette and Vape devices, is prohibited.
10. No running, pushing, or other dangerous horseplay.
11. Children under 12 and non-swimmers must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult supervisor.
12. No floatation devices, except water wings, swimming vests, and pool noodles.
13. No diving.
14. The maximum water temperature of the spa is 104°. Pregnant woman, small children, people with health problems and people using alcohol, narcotics or other drugs that can cause drowsiness should not use spa without first consulting a doctor.
15. Maximum use of the spa is 15 minutes.

PRIVATE GOLF CART USE

No unregistered motorized vehicles of any type shall be operated within the community. This includes but is not limited to go-karts, minibikes, and ATVs. Private golf carts shall be permitted once duly registered with the Association. Golf carts shall be subject to the rules below:

1. Operators shall be 14 years of age or older per State law.
2. Proof of liability insurance shall be provided to the Association at the time of registration.
3. All Golf Carts shall be registered with the Association and display the appropriate Association registration number at all times.

SPEED LIMIT

The speed limit within the community shall be 25 MPH unless otherwise posted.

REFUSE AND TRASH

Containers may not be placed out for collection sooner than 8:00pm the night before collection and must be removed by 8:00pm the day of collection. Containers must be stored in the garage on non-collection days.

PARKING

1. Overnight street parking shall be prohibited. Overnight parking is deemed to be any time between the hours of 1 AM and 6 AM.
2. It shall be prohibited for any vehicle to stand, stop, and/or park in such a way that it is on, over, across, or restricting clear access of any sidewalk.
3. Vehicles may not park parallel to the road while on the driveway.
4. Commercial trucks or other commercial vehicles, any boat, trailer, semi-trailer, recreational vehicle, motorcycle, house trailer, mobile home, motor home, bus, tractor or any such vehicle, shall not be parked, stored, or kept unless enclosed in a garage. Additionally, no motor vehicle may be parked, stored, or kept on grassed or landscaped areas or any place outside a paver driveway, garage or any other designated parking area.

SIGNS

No sign, banner, advertisement or poster (including “open house”, “for sale” or “for rent” signs) shall be exhibited, displayed, inscribed, painted or affixed, in on or upon any part of the Properties without prior approval of the ARC.

OPEN HOUSE POLICY

Open houses shall be permitted on Sunday between 1 pm and 4 pm only. Only a Florida Licensed Realtor or a Homeowner may hold an open House. The Association must be notified no later than 5 pm on Wednesday prior to the open house. A list of open houses will be placed at the gate house. Only one (1) approved open house sign may be placed on the lawn of the home during the hours of 1 PM to 4 PM on Sunday. Directions, signs, balloons, and/or flyers are prohibited. Signs placed in violation will be removed and disposed of without prior notice.

PRIVACY POLICY

Members may not engage in any activity that disrupts the privacy or quiet enjoyment of another Member’s home. The following list shall be activities deemed to breach the Privacy Policy. The Board shall have the sole and absolute authority to determine if any other activity is deemed to disrupt the privacy of others.

1. Engaging in any activity behind or adjacent to another Members property; unless, the activity is totally contained to your own property.
2. Use of aerial photography or video equipment (such as drones) outside of one’s own property without the prior written consent of the property owner.

HOLIDAY DECORATIONS

Exterior holiday decorations may be installed up to one month prior to the holiday and must be removed not later than two weeks after the holiday. In no manner shall exterior decorations interfere with the routine landscape maintenance performed by the Association.

PETS

Owners may house up to three (3) animals, which may only be domestic birds, cats and/or dogs, unless such animals are of a breed prohibited by County or any other ordinance. Pit Bull and Pit Bull Mix dogs or other recognized aggressive breeds of dogs shall be prohibited regardless of size or weight. No pets shall be left unattended, even if the area has been enclosed. Pets shall remain on a non-retractable leash no longer than six (6) feet long while on common property. The owner of any pet shall, at all times, be responsible for cleanup and disposal of waste.

WILDLIFE

Do not disturb, feed, or touch the wildlife. Birdfeeders and any other device used to feed the wildlife are prohibited.

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Any non-conformance to these rules will be deemed a violation. Violations will be handled in accordance with the Association's Uniform Policy for Covenant Enforcement. Violations may result in fines and suspension of access privileges.

FORCE MAJEURE

The Board may be required to permanently or temporarily amend these Rules and/or limit or restriction operations of the Club in response to a Force Majeure. A Force Majeure includes, but is not limited to, civil unrest, acts of war or terrorism, and public health crises.

These rules will not reflect modifications made in response to a Force Majeure. Review email communications sent by the Club for current information relating to Club operations.

The Rules may be amended from time to time by the Board.