



PGA of Ontario Code of Conduct

Competitor Code of Conduct of the PGA of Ontario

The policy of the Code of Conduct governs all PGA of Ontario Championships including Team events and Pro-Am's, and all competitors representing the PGA of Ontario. The philosophy of this Code of Conduct is to respect the game, maintain golf's culture and represent the PGA of Ontario in a manner befitting of a golf professional.

Complaints may be made in writing to the offices of the PGA of Ontario or in-person to a PGA of Ontario tournament committee member or the PGA of Ontario staff present at an official PGA of Ontario event.

General

All competitors must conduct themselves both on and off the golf course in a way befitting of the PGA of Ontario as per the PGA of Ontario Code of Professional Practice and PGA of Ontario Rules as agreed upon by signing the championship entry form. The use of alcohol or contraband is strictly prohibited prior and during all rounds, including Pro-Am's and practice rounds.

Dress Code

All competitors are required to present a neat appearance, in both clothing and personal grooming, and are required at all times to maintain an acceptable standard of dress both on the course and in the precinct of the clubhouse. Competitors must adhere to the PGA of Ontario Dress code at all times while on-site at any PGA of Ontario event.

Pro-Am's

Any competitors participating in a Pro-Am must conduct themselves according to the provisions listed above, plus any additional regulations presented by the sponsor conducting the Pro-Am. Participating professionals must attend the dinner reception following play unless otherwise noted in writing.

Disciplinary Committee

All entrants who have been assessed penalties by the Disciplinary Committee must remit payment before being permitted to play in any competition.

Penalties

All penalties must be paid or an appeal must be made before play will be allowed in the next round of the championship or in the next championship.

Action

- No-show without notification – Tournament/Pro-Am
 - First Offence – Written Warning Letter
 - Second Offence - \$250 Fine
- Withdrawing during a round without notifying a PGA of Ontario official
 - First Offence – Written Warning Letter
 - Second Offence - \$250 Fine
- Conduct/Language likely to injure the reputation of the PGA of Ontario, Club or Sponsor
 - First Offence – \$500 Fine
 - Second Offence – \$500 Fine and suspension
- Not returning official scorecard
 - \$100 Fine
- Not following Dress Code
 - First offence – Written Warning Letter
 - Second offence - \$250 Fine
- Violation of Code of Conduct - \$500 fine and reported to [Safe Sport](#) to determine further disciplinary action.
- Violation of the Liquor Law - \$500 fine and reported to [Safe Sport](#) to determine further disciplinary action.

A third offence may lead to expulsion from competing in future PGA of Ontario Championships

Penalties other than monetary value may also be imposed by the Committee for infractions not listed above.

Appeals

Appeals must be made to the Tournament Captain within 14 days from the date of the offence letter to be considered by the PGA of Ontario Appeals Committee.

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