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Masonboro Country Club

Rules

Masonboro Country Club, Inc. ("Club Operator") has established the following rules ("Club Rules") to govern the use of the Club Facilities and to promote the health, safety, welfare, and enjoyment of all persons using the Club Facilities. The Club Operator may, in its sole discretion, amend these Club Rules from time to time. Amendments will be effective when posted at the Club or mailed to the members. These Club Rules shall apply to all persons using the Club Facilities, whether a member, designee, other authorized user, or guest. Capitalized terms used in these Club Rules shall be defined as set forth in the Membership Policies for Masonboro Country Club.

1. MEMBERSHIP ADMINISTRATION

1.1. Membership Cards.

The Club Operator may issue membership cards to each member or designee and authorized user, identifying the authorized holder and the sponsoring member, if applicable, the class of membership, and the member's club account number, if any. If issued, membership cards shall be carried at all times while using the Club Facilities. A membership card may be used only by the person to whom it is issued.

In the event that a membership card is lost or stolen, the person to whom it was issued shall immediately notify the Club so that the account may be canceled and a new number and card issued. The member shall be responsible for all charges placed on the account prior to the Club's receipt of notice of the lost or stolen membership card. The Club may charge a card replacement fee in an amount determined by the Club for replacement of each lost or stolen membership card, or for otherwise changing a club account number.

All membership cards are the property of the Club and must be surrendered to the Club upon termination of the membership for which they were issued.

1.2. Club Accounts.

All food, beverage, and other purchases charged to a member's club account will be billed monthly and shall be considered delinquent if not paid by the 15th day of the following month. The Club may charge a service charge on all past due balances in the amount of one and one-half percent (1.5%) per month from the date of the statement until paid in full.

1.3. Notices.

Each member shall give written notice to the Club of the member's mailing address to which the Club should direct all notices and invoices. Failure to notify the Club of an address change shall be considered a waiver of the right to receive notices and other communications from the Club.

2. GENERAL CLUB RULES

2.1. Hours of Operation.

The Club Facilities are available for use only during such operating hours as the Club Operator determines and publishes from time to time. The Club Operator may close portions of the Club Facilities during normal operating hours for scheduled maintenance and repairs and the Club Operator may restrict or reserve the use of portions of the Club Facilities for special events or private parties during normal operating hours from time to time.

2.2. Food and Beverage Services.

Alcoholic beverages will be sold and served and may be consumed on the Club premises only as permitted by North Carolina law and local ordinances. The Club Operator reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to refuse service to any person who appears to be intoxicated. No alcoholic beverages sold on the Club premises may be removed from the premises. Except as the Club Operator may otherwise specifically authorize, all alcoholic beverages consumed on the Club premises must be purchased from the Club.

Outside catering, picnics, and "brown bagging" are not permitted without prior written authorization from the Club Operator. No person shall bring or consume food or beverages on the Club premises, except those furnished by the Club, without prior written authorization from the Club Operator (other than as needed for infants).

Employees may not deliver food or alcoholic beverages to locations away from the immediate area where sold except in the case of catering arranged through the Club Operator.

2.3. Advertisements and Solicitations.

No person shall post or circulate commercial advertisements or petitions on the Club premises or use the Club's membership roster for any purpose other than official Club business without the Club Operator's prior approval.

No person shall give the Club's membership roster to anyone who is not a member or an employee of the Club for any reason other than official Club business.

2.4. Club Personnel and Operations.

No person other than the Club Operator and its designees shall supervise, give direction to, or reprimand Club employees. Verbal or physical abuse or harassment of employees will not be tolerated.

No person shall request special favors or special services from Club employees or send any employee off of the Club premises for any reason without prior permission of the Club Operator. No person shall request use of Club equipment, supplies, or services not normally made available for use by members.

To facilitate the proper management of the Club Facilities, all complaints, criticisms, or suggestions of any kind relating to any Club operations or personnel should be in writing, signed, and addressed and delivered to the Club Operator.

2.5. Children.

The Club Operator may post policies at the Club Facilities prohibiting use by persons under a specified age, or restricting use by children under a specified age unless accompanied and supervised by an adult, which policies shall be observed at all times unless otherwise approved by the Club Operator. Children under the lawful drinking age are not permitted in any bar area unless accompanied and supervised by an adult.

Children under 18 years of age are not allowed to use the Club Facilities after 10:00 p.m. without the express permission of the Club Operator unless accompanied by an adult.

Any person who brings a child onto the Club Facilities is responsible for the child's conduct and safety while on the premises.

2.6. Attire.

All persons using the Club Facilities are expected to dress in a manner consistent with the specific dress policies published or posted by the Club from time to time for particular areas and activities. Members are responsible for advising their guests as to appropriate dress. Tank tops, halter tops, T-shirts, fishnet tops, cutoffs, sweat pants, workout pants, denim, bathing suits, tennis dresses, tennis shorts, athletic shorts, and cutoffs are not permitted in the clubhouse or on the golf course.

For use of the Club's food and beverage facilities, appropriate dress will be announced in the monthly calendar.

Shirts and shoes shall be worn at all times on the Club premises, except in pool areas. No bathing suits are permitted outside of pool areas unless covered with appropriate attire.

Golf shoes must be confined to designated areas when worn inside the clubhouse.

2.7. Animals.

Dogs (other than seeing-eye dogs and other assistance animals) and pets are not permitted on the golf course or any other portion of the Club premises, except under special circumstances when authorized by the Club Operator. Any person who brings an animal onto the Club premises is responsible for any damage caused by the animal.

2.8. Club Property.

No person shall remove any Club property or furniture from the Club premises or the area in which it belongs without permission of the Club Operator.

2.9. Personal Property.

Each member, as a condition of membership, and each designee, authorized user and guest, as a condition of invitation to the Club Facilities, assumes sole responsibility for his or her personal property. The Club Operator shall not be responsible for any loss or damage to any personal property used or stored on the Club premises. Any such personal property which is left in or on the Club facilities for six (6) months or more may be sold by the Club Operator, with or without notice, at a public or private sale, or may be otherwise disposed of, and the proceeds, if any, shall belong to the Club Operator.

2.10. Liability for Use of Club Facilities; Assumption of Risk.

Members of the Club shall be liable for any property damage and/or personal injury at the Club, or at any activity or function operated, organized, arranged, or sponsored by the Club Operator, caused by the Member, its designee, authorized users, or guests. The cost of repairing any such property damage shall be charged to the responsible Member's club account.

Any member, designee, authorized user, or guest who, in any manner, makes use of or accepts the use of any apparatus, equipment, facility, privilege, or service whatsoever owned, leased, or operated by the Club, or who engages in any tournament, game, function, special event, exercise, competition, or other activity operated, organized, arranged, or sponsored by the Club, either on or off the Club's premises, does so at his or her own risk and agrees that the Club Operator shall have no liability for personal injury or damage to personal property occurring in the course of or arising out of such use.

2.11. Parking.

Vehicles shall be parked only in paved areas designated for parking. "No Parking" signs and reserved parking designations must be observed. Violators may be towed at the vehicle owner's expense.

2.12. Smoking.

Smoking is permitted only in designated outdoor areas. Cigarette, cigar and pipe smoking is not permitted in the club house or in any area where food and beverages are served.

2.13. Fireworks.

Absolutely no fireworks are permitted anywhere on the Club premises except as part of a fireworks exhibit organized and conducted by the Club Operator.

2.14. Weapons.

No firearms or other weapons of any kind are permitted on the Club premises at any time except those, if any, that police officers and other public servants and security personnel may be required to carry while on duty.

2.15. Non-Discrimination Policy.

Club employees and members shall not discriminate against any individual because of the individual's race, religion, creed, color, sex, national origin, age, physical disability, sexual orientation, or marital status.

3. SPECIAL EVENTS

3.1. Reservations.

The Club Operator may from time to time require reservations for special events. Reservation requests will be accommodated in the order received, subject to availability.

Notice of changes to or cancellations of reservations must be given at least 48 hours in advance for special events or the Club Operator may charge a no-show fee to the member.

3.2. Meetings and Private Parties.

Members, their designees, and such other persons as the Club Operator may authorize, may reserve portions of the Club Facilities for meetings and private parties, subject to availability, the Club Operator's approval, payment of a rental fee as established by the Club Operator, and such terms and conditions as the Club Operator may establish.

3.3. Performances.

No performance by entertainers of any type will be permitted anywhere on the Club property without the prior permission of the Club Operator.

4. GUEST POLICIES

4.1. Guest Registration and Fees.

Members are responsible for registering their guests, obtaining guest passes, and ensuring payment of applicable guest fees prior to allowing their guests to use the Club Facilities. Unless paid by the guest, all guest fees and charges incurred by a guest shall be charged to the sponsoring member's club account and the member shall be responsible for timely payment thereof.

4.2. Guests.

There are currently no limitations on the number of times a member may have a guest. A member may have no more than four guests use the Club Facilities at any one time without the prior written approval of the Club Operator. However, such policy is subject to change at any time in the Club Operator's sole discretion. The Club Operator reserves the right to limit the number of guest passes which it issues during busy periods and peak hours of use. A properly registered guest may use the Club Facilities, in accordance with the sponsoring member's class of membership, only on the specific date for which the guest is registered. Golfing guests must be accompanied by either the member or any of his or her authorized users. Club Operator may, in its sole discretion, permit Members to sponsor unaccompanied guests, subject to such limitations imposed by the Membership Policies and such rules as Club Operator may adopt, including the right to terminate such privilege. The Club Operator may charge a different guest fee, depending on whether such guest is accompanied or unaccompanied by the member.

4.3. Identification.

Guests shall carry their guest passes at all times when using the Club Facilities. The Club Operator reserves the right to request picture identification from guests at any time while on the Club premises.

4.4. Conduct.

All guests are expected to comply with these Club Rules and all other policies established by the Club Operator. The sponsoring member or designee is responsible for the conduct of his or her guests while on the Club premises. Any guest who, in the reasonable determination of the Club Operator, is not in compliance, or whose conduct is disruptive, abusive, or otherwise inconsistent with the standard of conduct expected from members, may be asked to surrender his or her guest pass and leave the Club premises immediately.

5. GOLF RULES

5.1. Hours of Play.

The hours of play shall be posted in the golf shop. The golf course and practice range may be closed for general weekly maintenance on such day and during such times as the Club Operator may determine. The Club Operator shall determine when the golf course is open ready for play.

5.2. Tournaments.

The Club Operator may from time to time sponsor golf activities and tournaments for members, authorized users, and guests. Notices of such activities will be posted in the golf shop or otherwise communicated to those eligible to participate. The course may be closed to regular play during the hours of such activities. Closing dates and times will be announced in advance.

5.3. Tee Times.

The Club Operator shall determine and may change, in its discretion, the number of days in advance that members and non-members may reserve tee times, consistent with the priority assigned to each class of membership under the Membership Policies. The Club Operator may accept reservations for tee times from non-members on a daily fee basis in accordance with the provisions of the Membership Policies.

All players must have a tee time reserved through the golf shop and all players' names are required for tee time reservations. In an effort to allocate tee times fairly, the golf shop staff may assign tee times on the basis of availability and priority as determined pursuant to a tee time management system instituted by the Club Operator.

Tee times may be reserved in accordance with the reservation system instituted by Club Operator.

Tee time changes must be approved by the golf shop.

Any person with a reserved tee time should notify the golf shop of any cancellation as soon as possible. Players who fail to cancel their tee time at least twenty-four hours prior to the reserved time may be charged a fee for the unused rounds as the Club Operator may determine.

Twosomes may play at the discretion of the golf shop staff. Twosomes should not expect to play through foursomes and should not exert any pressure on the groups ahead of them on the golf course. Twosomes and singles will be grouped with other players, if available, with starting times to be determined at the golf shop, if necessary. Singles may not reserve tee times except with the prior permission of Club Operator or its designee.

Groups of more than four players shall not be permitted on the golf course at any time except with the prior approval of the Club Operator.

5.4. Registration.

All players must check in and register in the golf shop before beginning play. All members and authorized users must present their membership cards upon registration.

Failure to check in and register at least 10 minutes prior to a reserved tee time may result in re-assignment or cancellation of the tee time, at the discretion of the starter.

UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES ARE PLAYERS PERMITTED TO START PLAY FROM RESIDENCES.

5.5. Golf Attire.

Appropriate golf attire is required for all players on the golf course and practice range, as follows:

Men: Shirts with collars and sleeves, slacks or golf shorts are considered appropriate attire. Tank tops, T-shirts, fishnet tops, cutoffs, sweat pants, workout pants, denim, jeans or work pants, bathing suits, tennis shorts, or other athletic shorts are not permitted.

Women: Dresses, skirts, slacks, or golf shorts and shirts or blouses are considered appropriate attire. Halter tops, fishnet tops, bathing suits, sweat pants, workout pants, denim, jeans or work pants, tennis dresses, athletic shorts, or cutoffs are not permitted.

All golfers shall wear golf shoes or other approved shoes on the golf course. Golf shoes with metal spikes are prohibited. Athletic shoes, large rubber spikes, and field shoes are not permitted.

This dress code is mandatory for all players. Improperly dressed golfers may be required to change before playing.

5.6. Discontinued Play Policy.

When weather causes termination of play rain checks may be issued in the discretion of the Club Operator. It will be the sole responsibility of the player to request a rain check from the golf shop.

5.7. Practice Range.

Range balls are for use on the practice range only. Range balls may not be used on the golf course. Each player using the practice range must use the range balls provided by the golf shop. Violation of this rule may result in loss of playing privileges.

Range balls must be hit from designated areas only. No hitting is permitted from the rough or sides of the range.

Retrieving and replaying balls after they have been hit is not permitted.

5.8. Lessons.

Lessons by unauthorized professionals are prohibited on the golf course and the practice range.

5.9. Rules of Play.

The Rules of Golf as adopted by the USGA together with the Rules of Etiquette as adopted by the USGA shall be the rules of the Club, except when modified by local rules or by any of the rules herein.

"Cutting-in" is not permitted at any time.

Practice is not allowed on the golf course. The practice range, the practice putting green and the practice short game area should be used for all practice.

Speed of play will be strictly enforced. If a player or group fails to keep its place on the course and falls behind the preceding group by more than one hole, the player or group may be asked to skip a hole to get back into position. The same request may be made when a member of the group stops to search for a lost ball. No more than five minutes should be used to search for lost balls. If a player is repeatedly warned for slow play, the Club Operator or its designees may take such action as it deems appropriate, including without limitation, restricting the person's use of the golf course during certain times of the day.

All players who stop for any reason after playing nine holes must occupy the next tee before the following group arrives at the next tee or they shall lose their position on the golf course and must get permission from the starter to resume play.

Each player must have his or her own golf bag and set of golf clubs.

All players shall enter and leave bunkers at the nearest level point to the green and smooth sand over with a rake upon leaving.

Players shall repair all ball marks on the green.

Players are asked to repair all divots with sand from sand bottles on carts.

No person shall remove golf balls from water hazards or roughs without prior authorization from the golf professional except that a player may, during the course of play, retrieve or play a golf ball that the player has just hit.

Golf play may begin only from the first (1st) or tenth (10th) tees, except during tournaments and special events, as directed by the golf shop staff.

If lightning is in the area, all play shall cease. **Players are responsible for their own safety.**

Proper golf etiquette shall be observed at all times.

No beverage coolers are permitted on the course unless provided by the Club.

Players shall be liable for any damage caused by their errant golf balls. Under no circumstances shall Club Operator or Club Owner, or any of their members, officers, directors, managers, members, or partners of any of the foregoing, be held liable for any damage or injury resulting from any errant golf balls.

Players shall observe all local rules and obey the directions of the course superintendent, PGA professional, golf ranger and golf starter with reference to order of play, practicing and behavior on the grounds.

5.10. Golf Course Etiquette.

Players should anticipate the club or clubs they may need and be ready to play when it is their turn. If delayed in making a shot, a player should indicate to another player to proceed (which shall not be considered playing out of turn).

Players should study and clear the line of their putt while others are doing the same so as to be ready to putt when it is their turn.

When approaching a green, players should park their golf cars on the cart path on the best direct line to the next tee, rather than in front of the green.

When play of a hole is completed, players should leave the green promptly and proceed to the next tee without delay, scoring for the completed hole while others in the group are playing from the next tee.

Players should be aware of and maintain proper pace of play. If unable to maintain the pace of play, the players behind should be allowed to play through.

5.11. Handicaps.

Handicaps will be computed under the supervision of the golf shop in accordance with the current USGA Handicap System. The Club may require a USGA approved handicap to participate in Club tournaments. The golf professional may review any handicaps submitted.

Members and authorized users are responsible for keeping accurate records of their scores and turning in their scores for all rounds played on a daily basis. Failing to turn in a score shall result in the posting of a score equal to the lowest score on record for such individual. The golf shop shall assist anyone needing help with the posting procedures.

5.12. Operation of Golf Cars.

No person shall use the Club's golf cars without prior assignment by and registration in the golf shop.

Each operator of a golf car must be at least 16 years of age and have a valid automobile driver's license.

Golf cars provided by the Club are not to be used off the golf course, except by such Club personnel as the Club Operator or its designee may authorize.

No more than two golfers and no more than two sets of clubs are permitted per golf car.

Golf car operators shall observe all pavement markings, traffic signs, and other basic rules of the road.

Each golf car operator must adhere to current golf car traffic rules and signs as determined and posted by the Club Operator or its designee. Golf car traffic rules and signs are subject to change due to golf course conditions.

Each person riding in a golf car provided by the Club will be charged the prevailing golf car rental fee.

Golf cars shall be driven on the golf course only during the day when the course is open for play. Golf car traffic on the golf course is restricted to 9-hole and 18-hole rounds of play. Starting times must be scheduled as provided in Section 5.3.

Golf car operation is restricted to the designated areas of the golf course, designated golf car paths, and designated road crossings in the Community. Golf cars are not permitted on any tee area of the practice range. Parking of golf cars is allowed in designated areas only. At no time shall the operator of a golf car traverse private property, sensitive landscaping, or pedestrian sidewalks.

Golf cars shall be driven in a safe manner. Where possible, do not follow other golf car tracks and avoid soft spots in the turf.

Violation of the rules for golf cars set forth in this Section may result in the revocation of golf car privileges and playing privileges, in addition to such other sanctions as are authorized under the Membership Policies.

Operation of a golf car is at the risk of the operator. Cost of repair to a golf car which is damaged by a member or authorized user shall be charged to the member or designee's Club account, or in the case of damage by a guest, to the sponsoring member or designee's account.

All persons using golf cars on the Club premises shall, upon the Club Operator's request, sign a release of liability which holds the Club Operator, its affiliates, and their respective officers, directors, employees, and agents, harmless as a result of any injury, loss or damage relating to the operation of the golf car.

5.13. Walking and Other Activities.

Members and accompanied guests may be permitted to walk the golf course during play at such times as the golf professional may determine from time to time. Non-members and unaccompanied guests are not permitted to walk the golf course.

All players walking the golf course must keep up with the pace of play so as not to delay players behind them.

All players walking the golf course must carry their own clubs. Pull carts may be used subject to the rules implemented by the Club. The Club does not currently have a caddy program. One may be implemented in the future.

Recreational walking (*i.e.*, by persons who are not playing golf), jogging, bicycling, rollerblading, fishing and other non-golf related activities are not permitted on the golf course at any time.

6. TENNIS RULES

Club Operator reserves the right to establish and implement such tennis rules as it deems appropriate, in its sole discretion.

7. POOL RULES

Club Operator reserves the right to establish and implement such pool rules as it deems appropriate, in its sole discretion.