

# Copper Mill Golf Club CLUB RULES

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# COPPER MILL GOLF CLUB CLUB RULES (these "Club Rules")

#### ARTICLE I OPERATIONS

#### SECTION 1.1 HOURS OF OPERATION

The schedule of operation for the entire Club will be posted on the Club website and in the clubhouse but is subject to change. The schedule of operation is also subject to change due to weather conditions. The entire Club, including the golf course, is closed Christmas Day.

#### SECTION 1.2 CHARGING PRIVILEGES

Purchases of merchandise, food and beverages and other services will be charged to the member's account. Management reserves the right to suspend or place limits upon a member's charging privileges. A member may specify the eligible family members who will be authorized to make charges to the member's account.

#### SECTION 1.3 PROPER CONDUCT

Members are to conduct themselves in a manner which will not interfere with other members' or their guests' enjoyment of the Club. Obnoxious or abusive language and rude or boisterous behavior are prohibited.

# SECTION 1.4 RULES AND ETIQUETTE OF PLAY

Depending upon the activity, members, member's family and guests, as applicable, are required to familiarize themselves with the rules and etiquette of golf, as outlined in the United States Golf Association (USGA) handbook.

#### SECTION 1.5 CELL PHONE USAGE

To preserve the integrity of the Club and out of respect for Members and their guests, the use of cellular phones in any public areas of the Club can be prohibited if the user is not respectful of other Members. Any unreasonable noise from the user, a ringer or from a speaker will be strictly prohibited.

# SECTION 1.6 SUPERVISION OF PLAY

The golf professional and golf shop staff have the responsibility for supervision and control of all matters relating to play on the golf course. Golf course privileges may be refused to anyone who, in the judgment of the applicable Club professional, violates the rules of play, etiquette or dress code.

#### SECTION 1.7 REGISTRATION FOR PLAY

All members and their guests must make a tee time to play golf. Use is only available during appropriate hours of operation which will be posted.

# SECTION 1.8 REPORTING INJURIES

Any injury to persons or damage to property should be reported immediately to the responsible Club employee.

#### SECTION 1.9 CLUB EMPLOYEES

Assignments made to and supervision of Club employees is the sole responsibility of Management. Members or their guests must not reprimand or send Club employees off the property for any reason.

# SECTION 1.10 GOLF INSTRUCTION

Instruction in golf is offered under the supervision of the applicable Club professional for a fee. No charges will be assessed if a scheduled lesson is cancelled twenty-four (24) hours or more in advance. If a lesson is cancelled less than 24 hours in advance, or the member fails to appear for a scheduled lesson, the member will be charged the applicable lesson rate.

# SECTION 1.11 DRESS CODE

General. Attire and grooming will not be such as to offend other members or guests. Members are responsible for seeing that their guests conform to the dress code. A collared shirt is a requirement on the golf course. The Club will use common sense as it relates to children. Management reserves the right to refuse the use of a Club facility to anyone determined to be in violation of the dress code.

SPECIALNOTE: Club employees have been instructed to enforce the Club dress code and to report to Management immediately any person or persons refusing to comply.

#### SECTION 1.12 MEMBER CHARGES AND GRATUITIES

(a) A Member must sign a charge ticket for all services and goods using a legible signature and account number. A Member who signs another's name or number or permits an unauthorized individual to sign his or her name or number, or signs for transactions after having been notified that their privileges have been suspended, shall be subject to disciplinary actions. Gratuities can be added to any Food and Beverage charge and will be included on the member billing statement.

# SECTION 1.13 COMPLAINTS AND RULES VIOLATIONS

(a) Club employees are to be treated in a courteous and considerate manner and shall not be reprimanded by a Member. Any complaints regarding Club employees should be promptly

made to the manager on duty. All complaints will be resolved in an appropriate manner by Management.

(b) Members are requested to report misbehavior or violations of these House Rules committed by employees, other members or guests to Management. All violations will be subject to disciplinary action as deemed necessary by Management.

#### SECTION 1.14 AUTOMOBILE USE

Except as required by valet parking arrangements, automobiles will not be permitted to remain in the entrance of the Clubhouse. Automobiles may not be driven on Club grounds at a speed greater than fifteen (15) miles per hour. It is a violation of these House Rules to disregard parking space markings, to use more than one parking space, to park in an unmarked space, to park in a fire lane or to improperly use parking spaces designated as reserved, including, without limitation, parking spaces designated as reserved for the disabled. Violations are subject to disciplinary action. Parking in the Club's lot is undertaken at the members' own risk.

# **SECTION 1.15 ANIMALS**

Service dogs are permitted. Pets or other animals are not permitted in the Clubhouse or on any of the Club's property at any time.

# SECTION 1.16 USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS

The use of any form of tobacco product is not permitted anywhere within the Club Facilities except the golf course and outdoor patios not intended for food service. Smoking within twenty-five feet of any entrance to the Club, within the pool area, the tennis court area or in any dining terrace area is prohibited.

#### SECTION 1.17 ADVERTISING AND PETITIONS

No subscription paper or petition shall be posted or circulated, nor shall any article be advertised or exposed for sale anywhere on Club premises except as approved by Management.

# SECTION 1.18 REMOVAL OR DAMAGE OF CLUB PROPERTY

No book, newspaper, magazine or any other item that is the property of the Club shall be removed from the Clubhouse. Glassware, crockery, silverware, furniture, or other property of the Club that are broken or damaged by a member or guest will be charged to the responsible member's account. Club towels are not to be kept in member lockers nor removed from the locker rooms or Clubhouse. Towels for use at the pool area and on the golf course will be provided and should be returned following use, in those areas.

# SECTION 1.19 MEMBERSHIP ROSTERS

Use of membership rosters or other Club publications for business or solicitation purposes is strictly prohibited.

#### ARTICLE II GOLF

# SECTION 2.1 GENERAL

Every golfer must have his/her own set of golf clubs and a golf bag with the appropriate bag tag issued by the Club.

#### SECTION 2.2 STARTING

All golfers must check in with the golf shop before beginning play. Play must begin on the starting hole designated by the golf shop.

# SECTION 2.3 TEE RESERVATIONS

Tee time reservations may be obtained by contacting the golf shop or booking online not more than 180 days in advance. Each guest (by name) is limited to a maximum of five (5) golf guest rounds per calendar year, excluding club hosted member-guest. Members have priority over public play when booking tee times. The Club can book tournaments that may from time to time block a member's normal tee time. Club will block the tee sheet every Saturday and Sunday morning from 8:00 AM – 9:00AM for Member times. The 180-day booking window will also allow the Members to book the time they prefer before the public golfers.

#### SECTION 2.4 NON-RESERVATION PLAY

Golfers without a reservation are assigned the first available tee time.

# SECTION 2.5 PRACTICE

When practicing, members are to use the practice range only. Under no circumstances is practice permitted on the golf course tees, greens or fairways.

# SECTION 2.6 PLAYING GROUP

- (a) No more than four players per group are permitted, unless prior approval has been obtained from the golf professional. Five player groups will be allowed if the group agrees to maintain a 4-hour pace of play.
- (b) In the case of a group with fewer than four players, the golf employees, at their discretion, may fill the group with other waiting players.

#### SECTION 2.7 SLOW PLAY

If a group falls one hole behind the group in front, the slow group must invite the group behind to play through. At the request of a course marshal or a golf employee, the slow group must step aside and let the group behind play through. Every group should be aware of their pace of play and be responsible and courteous in maintaining the proper pace. Any group that stops between nines and fails to leave for the next tee, prior to the appearance of the group following, will lose its position on the course. Copper Mill Golf Club will maintain a 4-hour pace of play expectation for all groups at all times.

#### SECTION 2.8 GOLF RULES

Play is governed by USGA Rules, with the exception of any local rules, which take precedence. The golf employees are empowered to enforce all golf rules. Violation of any golf rule may result in disciplinary action by Management.

#### SECTION 2.9 GOLF CARTS

- (a) The use of golf carts is encouraged to facilitate faster play. Golf carts may be operated by anyone sixteen (16) years of age or older, if that person has a valid driver's license and has paid the proper fee.
- (b) Groups of golfers must use the minimum number of carts needed for a group. 2 players in a group will only be allowed 1 cart for the group, 3 players in a group will only be allowed 2 carts for the group, 4 players in a group will only be allowed 2 carts for the group, 5 players in a group will only be allowed 3 carts for the group.

# SECTION 2.10 PRIVATE CARTS, TRAIL FEE & ANNUAL STICKER

- (a) Privately owned golf carts are permitted for Copper Mill residents. The Trail Fee is required for all private cart owners who wish to use their carts to play golf. Any Member or guest riding with a private cart owner must pay the appropriate fee. Private carts are NOT allowed on the golf course without paying a Trail Fee, checking in for golf and having the annual sticker.
- (b) A member is liable for any personal injury or property damage that results from the use of a golf cart rented in their name or from privately owned golf carts. A member is also liable for any loss or damage to golf carts and must pay all repair costs necessitated by the member's misuse.
- (C) The annual sticker is a requirement of management to inspect each private cart wishing to have access to the course through the Trail Fee. Private carts must be in good repair, they must be less than 10 years old, they must not have 4 seats, they must have appropriate tires safe for the golf course, they must be a neutral color and design. Modified or lifted carts, knobby tires, extreme colors, and carts in disrepair will not be able to acquire the annual sticker. The club will communicate each year during January when it is time for the cart inspection.

# SECTION 2.11 GOLF CART OPERATION

- (a) Golf carts are to carry no more than two (2) riders at any time.
- (b) Drivers must adhere to the operating instructions on the golf cart. Golf carts are not to be operated with any apparent or observed mechanical failure.

(c) Golf carts are to be returned to the golf cart staging area. They are not to be left in any other area.

# **SECTION 2.12 GOLF CART ROUTES**

Drivers must observe and obey all signs, stakes, roped-off areas and other markers installed to guide golf carts. Golf carts may be restricted to cart paths only based on course conditions. Golf carts are to be driven at a ninety-degree angle to the golf ball and directly back to the cart path. Golf carts are not to be driven over sprinkler heads or areas that are newly planted, wet, or under repair.

# SECTION 2.13 GOLF COURSE RESTRICTIONS

Use of the cart paths or golf course for walking and jogging will be permitted only when the course is closed or when there are no golfers present on the golf course. Access for these purposes is limited to Members and Community residents. All other activities including but not limited to, biking, boating, swimming, rollerblading, skateboarding, diving for golf balls and riding scooters or vehicles other than golf carts is strictly prohibited.

# SECTION 2.14 JUNIOR PLAY

- (a) In order to play without being accompanied by an adult member, juniors (age 14 or younger) must be certified for golf competency and knowledge of golf etiquette by the golf professional.
- (b) All junior guests accompanied by a member on any of the golf facilities will be charged a junior guest fee.
- (c) Golf member's children and grandchildren that are under the age of ten (10) may accompany the member on the four "family" holes for no charge except a nine-hole cart fee, if a golf cart is rented.
- (d) Juniors' play may be restricted during hours designated for Men's or Ladies' Day, or during times of peak play. Adults have priority over juniors at all times with regard to course availability.

# ARTICLE VI FOOD AND BEVERAGE

#### SECTION 3.1 SERVICE HOURS

Service hours of the food and beverage department will be posted and shown on Copper Mill Golf Club's website.

# SECTION 3.2 MEMBER RESTRICTIONS

(a) Members are not permitted in the kitchens or behind the bars.

(b) No food or beverage is to be consumed on Club premises unless purchased from the Club or otherwise approved in advance by Management.

# SECTION 3.3 ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

Liquor laws will be observed and enforced. It is prohibited for any person: (a) to bring alcoholic beverages onto the Club premises; (b) to remove alcoholic beverages from the Club premises.

# SECTION 3.4 CLUB POLICY WITH RESPECT TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

- a) Club employees are instructed that no alcoholic beverages shall be served to any Member or guest who is obviously intoxicated. Club employees and Management are instructed to use discretion, when dealing with an obviously intoxicated individual and in offering assistance to such individuals.
- b) Club employees are instructed to see proper identification before serving alcoholic beverages to any person, unless such person is known to the Club employee to be of legal drinking age. Legal age for being served alcoholic beverages is twenty-one (21) years of age.
- c) Management requires all Club employees who prepare and/or serve alcoholic beverages to attend a State Certified "Seller Training Program" (in compliance with H.B. 1963).
- d) Any complaints with respect to the above policies shall be directed to, and handled by, the Manager or his/her designated representative.

# ARTICLE VII MISCELLANEOUS

#### SECTION 4.1 RELEASE AND DISCLAIMER

While using Club facilities or participating in Club events, whether on or off the premises, members and their guests are always charged with the responsibility of using proper judgment and caution. Neither the Club nor Management assumes any liability for injuries caused to or incurred by any member, user or guest or for damage to property resulting from the use of any Club facility. Consequently, any member, guest or other person who uses or accepts the use of any Club facility or service, or engages in any athletic contest, exercise or other Club activity, either on or off the premises, does so at their own risk and shall hold the owners of Copper Mill Golf Club, the Management, and their employees and agents harmless from any injury, damage, claim, or liability resulting from such use or engagement.

#### SECTION 4.2 PERSONAL PROPERTY

Each member, family member or guest is responsible for their own personal property. Management is not responsible for lost property or articles stolen from anywhere on the Club premises and specifically disclaims any such responsibility. Property left by any person on the Club premises and not claimed within thirty (30) days may be disposed of by Management without notice. No bailment is intended, nor created by the preceding sentence.

# SECTION 4.3 LIABILITY FOR DAMAGE

- (a) Members are liable for any damage to any Club facility or person caused by the member, their family members, or their guests. Costs for any damages will be charged to the responsible member's account.
- (b) Persons playing on the golf course are expected to respect the rights of persons owning property adjacent to the golf course. Personal injury or property damage caused by a golf ball is the sole responsibility of the golfer striking the ball. The Club is not responsible for such damage. In the event of such damage, the member should attempt to contact the homeowner at the time of the incident. If this is not possible, the golfer should report the matter to the golf shop upon completion of play. Failure to do so will constitute a violation of these House Rules and may be grounds for disciplinary action.
- (c) Persons playing golf and/or using carts on the golf course are responsible for any injury that may result from their conduct. The Club is not responsible for injuries that may result from errant balls or cart accidents. In the event a member causes such injury, the member should contact the injured party and take responsibility for the incident. Additionally, the member should immediately report the incident to the golf shop. Failure to do so will constitute a violation of these House Rules and may be grounds for disciplinary action.
- (d) Caution must always be exercised.

# SECTION 4.4 NO AGENCY

No member or any person participating in the activities of any Club association shall have the authority, express or implied, to act on behalf of or as an agent for Copper Mill Golf Club or the Manager.

# SECTION 4.5 AMENDMENT

Each membership incorporates the Membership Rules of Copper Mill Golf Club. These Membership Rules of Copper Mill Golf Club may be modified, amended, altered or repealed at any time at Management's sole discretion, and may be supplemented by the posting of appropriate information upon the Club bulletin board or by the publication of appropriate information in the Club's newsletter.

# SECTION 4.6 FIREARMS/FIREWORKS

Firearms, lethal weapons and ammunition are not permitted in the clubhouse. Fireworks are permitted only in areas designated for displays and only when authorized by Club management.