Golf Course Rules & Etiquette

Do's:

- Check in at clubhouse before playing.
- Start on the first hole. Starting on any other hole but #1 needs prior approval.
- Play at a reasonable pace. The average pace of play is 2 hours or less per 9.
- Let faster players play through.
- Repair ball marks, replace divots, and rake bunkers.
- Pay attention to the [rules of the USGA](#).
- Have the player who is farthest away from the pin hit first on each shot.
- Have your own golf clubs – no more than 14 clubs in your bag, including your putter.
- Put an identifying mark on your golf ball. This will help you avoid playing the wrong ball (and incurring a penalty).

Don't:

- Move or talk while someone in your group is hitting the ball (or about to hit).
- Walk across the line of another player's putt on the green.
- Hit your shots until the group in front of you is well out of range.
- Ever play when lightning is in the area.
- Park on or too close to the putting green.
- Hold up other players.
- Spend more than 3 minutes looking for a lost ball.