



Tippecanoe County Golf Association
2018 Men's City Championships
presented by Bob Rohrman Auto Group



- 1) USGA RULES apply except where modified by local rule below.
- 2) MISCONDUCT & CELL PHONE POLICY – Personal misconduct will not be tolerated and cell phone calls on the course, incoming or outgoing, are prohibited during play. Penalty will be two strokes per occurrence at the discretion of the TCGA committee.
- 3) DRIVER HEAD/GOLF BALLS-The driver head and golf ball the player uses shall be named on the current "List of Conforming Driver Heads/Golf Balls" of the USGA which is posted on the USGA website. **Penalty: Disqualification**
- 4) RANGE FINDERS & GPS that do not figure slope or provide shot advice are permitted but only without delay in play. All flagsticks have reflective prisms and GPS can be utilized if available. Competitors may give fellow playing partners yardages only, but must adhere to the rules of soliciting shot selection advice as prescribed by the Rules of Golf (i.e. do not give club advice).
- 5) OUT OF BOUNDS – is defined by white stakes and the inside edge of boundary fences. Out of bounds markers, or ropes in between markers, cannot be removed, moved, or altered under any circumstance.
- 6) LATERAL HAZARD – indicated by red stakes and defined by red lines.
- 7) REGULAR WATER HAZARD – indicated by yellow stakes and defined by yellow lines.
- 8) **BUNKERS** - All sandy areas are to be played as a bunker. Stones or rocks in bunkers are deemed movable obstructions and may be removed without penalty (does not apply to loose impediments i.e. leaves, twigs, nuts, etc)
- 9) LOST BALL – A player has 5 minutes to locate his golf ball before it is declared lost. Hitting a provisional ball from the original location will help speed up play.
- 10) EMBEDDED BALL- (Appendix I) Anywhere "through the green", a ball which is embedded in its own pitch-mark in the ground, except in loose sand, may be lifted without penalty, cleaned and dropped as near as possible to the spot where it lay but not nearer the hole.
- 11) GROUND UNDER REPAIR – defined by white lines. Players may take relief with no penalty. If you choose to take relief, make sure you take complete relief from the condition. All mulched flower beds are also deemed ground under repair with mandatory free relief.
- 12) DOUBT AS TO PROCEDURE (Rule 3-3) Complete the hole with two balls. Announce to your fellow competitors your intentions and which ball you wish to score should the rules permit. (Contact the rules committee before you sign your scorecard as soon as you finish play)
- 13) **PACE OF PLAY** – (Rule 6-7 Undue Delay) each group is required to maintain its position on the golf course. **This simply means keeping up with the group in front of yours! Groups that fall behind on their pace of play schedule will be put on the clock. Any player in the clocked group that exceeds 45 seconds on any shot will be given a warning for a bad time; a second bad time will receive a one stroke penalty; a third a two stroke penalty; a fourth bad time will lead to disqualification. Pace of Play will be monitored and enforced.**
- 14) TIME OF STARTING – If a player arrives at his starting point, ready to play, within five minutes after his starting time, the penalty will be two strokes on the first hole instead of disqualification. The penalty for arriving beyond five minutes after the starting time will be disqualification.
- 15) EXCHANGE OF SCORE CARDS – Do not keep your own score! Cards will be exchanged on the first tee. Each card must be signed by the scorer and attested to by the competitor. Cards must be turned in at the designated scoring area.
- 16) TURNING IN SCORECARDS -When all scores have been posted on the Official Scoreboard and approved by the Committee, the result of the competition shall be deemed to have been announced. In the event of a playoff, the competitions shall be deemed to have closed when the playoff scores have been approved by the Committee.
- 17) PLAYOFF – If needed, there will be a playoff for the top 32 in the Championship Flight. When determining all other flights, ties will be decided by a score card playoff working backwards from a selected hole.
- 18) INCLEMENT WEATHER – One prolonged blast signals a dangerous situation. Suspend play and evacuate the course. Two blasts signal a normal suspension. Competitors can complete the hole they are on but can't start a new hole.
- 19) In the event of weather delays and issues, the TGCA Committee will determine the best course of action to complete the championship.
- 20) RULES COMMITTEE – The committee reserves the right to assess the penalty of disqualification for inappropriate conduct. All decisions by the committee are final. Committee: Tim Adams, Ryan Finn, PGA Apprentice, Andrew Jent, PGA Apprentice, Dan Ross, PGA Head Professional.

