

## Sycamore Senior League Rules for start of 2020 League Season (may change through season)

The league will start playing on June 1. The following rules are a combination of County/Course-mandated guidelines and rules, and league management decisions:

- **League fees & format changes**—all players (\$25) and subs (\$10) will pay reduced dues for the 2020 season (fees can be paid on the first day that you actually play or sub in the league; exact amount paid by cash or check to Randy Kautz [Treasurer]). We will play a shortened 17-week season from Jun 1 to Oct 5. There will be no hole contest prizes this year (e.g., closest to pin, straightest drive, etc.). There will be no rain dates, playoffs, or championship rounds this year—league play for 2020 is for the fun of the players and scorecards will be collected and used to maintain player and sub handicaps. Division standings and website reports will still be maintained for the season, but this is just for fun and bragging rights. An end of year scramble and banquet is still planned for October 5 at this time; this assumes that social distancing will be relaxed by this time, but time will tell.
- **League tee times** – Shotgun starts **cannot** be accommodated at this time. From June 1 until further notice, all golfers will start on same tee (Hole 1 or Hole 10, alternating each month) from 7:30am – 9:00am, with 10 minutes between groups. **Players must know their tee time and check in within 10-15 minutes prior to their starting time or risk forfeiting that time.** A maximum of four players are allowed at any one time in the clubhouse. If someone shows up 25-30 minutes before their tee time, they will be asked to wait in the parking lot inside their vehicle. League play/tee off schedule is in development at this time.
- **Raincheck Policy**- At this time, **rainchecks cannot be issued.** If the horn blows due to dangerous weather, we must lock the building up (players will need to wait in their vehicles). **Also, Hamilton County Senior Cards cannot be used or punched at this time until further notice.**
- **Carts**—According to Hamilton County rules, only 1 person is allowed per cart at this time. Each player must be able to drive their own cart.
- **Subs playing OUTSIDE of league play (Sub Group Play)**—It is difficult to accommodate sub group play at this time due to cart and tee time restrictions. Subs wanting to play together will need to schedule a tee time in advance and wait until 9am (walking only; 9 or 18 holes) or wait until 10am (cart play; 1 per cart). Walk-ins are not allowed at this time, so subs will need to book an actual tee time in advance. League management will NOT coordinate sub group play this year so you are on your own.
- **League social distancing**—league players **cannot** congregate before or after play. A 'league play agreement' is distributed to all player (see below) and must be adhered to; this will be enforced by league management.

- **THE LEAGUE BOARD AND REPS NEED TO BE THE ENFORCERS.** If a league is unable to follow these new guidelines Sharon must take immediate action. We are on a ONE strike and we are all in trouble. Please make sure we communicate all of this information the best we can to our league members. If we have any violation from the Hamilton County Health board the entire park district will be shut down again. We cannot take this risk. If you do not think your league can follow this, please let us know and we can delay league start date.
  - Players must maintain social distancing before, during and after their round. This is going to be the most difficult challenge, but we need full league cooperation. We cannot hang out in the parking lot, on the tee boxes, putting greens, finish holes etc. Basically, were are open to play golf but after play we need everyone to leave after completing their round of golf. We don't anticipate this to be the entire year, but for the opening stage, we must be strict.
  - **All league players must have assigned tee times** prior to the day of play. Even though there are time available before and after, we are not able to do shotguns. (Big No No in Hamilton County). So each player must know the tee time, in order to enter the building. If we have players attempt to come earlier than 15 minutes, they will be asked to remain in their cars. We cannot hangout by the tee boxes, and watch each other tee off.
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## **League Play Agreement**

### **Golf Course Guidelines for Leagues**

The health and safety of our employees and guests are our highest priority. Therefore, we continue to take precautionary steps and make service adjustments in response to the latest information available from the Department of Health.

Only players with tee times are allowed in the clubhouse and on the course. Walk in's and non-players are not allowed. All league players must have assigned tee times prior to the day of play. League tee times will be assigned by the golf professional and are coordinated with each league representative.

Players must maintain social distancing before, during and after their round. We ask that players leave immediately after their round. Golf carts are single passenger/single bag only. Carts may or may not be available for all league players.

The clubhouse will close after the last scheduled tee time has checked-in.

Alcohol must be purchased from the facility. Carry-on alcoholic beverages are not permitted on the golf course or parking lot areas. Coolers are permitted for non-alcoholic beverages only.

### **What to expect when arriving at the course**

Players must check in within 10-15 minutes prior to their starting time or risk forfeiting that time. A maximum of four players are allowed at any one time in the clubhouse.

It is recommended that guests wear a face mask/face covering when entering the clubhouse.

All fees are paid by credit card only. Coupons, cash, checks, frequent play cards, rainchecks, Play the Loop and Golf Package certificates, etc. are not being accepted or issued at this time.

During severe weather alerts (lightning, thunderstorms) the clubhouse will be closed. No rainchecks will be issued.

Practice greens are closed.

Rental clubs are not available.

Cups are modified on the putting green. Flagsticks must remain in the cup. **Do not remove the flagstick.** No bunker rakes or ball washers are available on the course.

The League representative must insure all league players are aware of these guidelines. Not following these guidelines may result in the league being canceled for the remainder of the year.

Sycamore Senior League Management agrees to the above guidelines and rules and will enforce these throughout the 2020 season.

Tim McLane (President)

Joe Korner (Vice-President)

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