

# 2020 KSHSAA GIRLS GOLF CONSIDERATIONS

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**With support of the NFHS, the KSHSAA Sports Medicine Committee and the KSHSAA Executive Board, we offer this document as guidance to the member schools of the KSHSAA to consider for the 2020 girls golf season. The considerations outlined are meant to decrease potential exposure to respiratory droplets by encouraging physical distancing, limiting participation in administrative tasks to essential personnel and allowing for appropriate and reasonable protective equipment. With the considerations the KSHSAA believes these reasonable accommodations will help with risk mitigation for the upcoming golf season.**

For as long as group size restrictions and social distancing are in place, the following best practices are recommended on activity specific basis.

## **Equipment/Facility:**

- Golfers have their own equipment.
- If school owned and shared between squads then they need to be cleaned/sanitized after each use.
- Driving range is to be determined by golf course.
- Much of the facility information will come from the golf course.
- If bad weather occurs all should return to their vehicles rather than the clubhouse

## **Practice:**

- Maximize distance and limit groups on one hole/area as much as possible.
- If a team more than 10 is at practice split up areas and rotate “stations.”
- Keep the same groups each day.

## **Contest warm up:**

- Driving range regulations determined by golf course.
- Consider having a rotation of use to limit number on the range at one time and putting green.

## **Competition (as allowed by Allied Partners of “Back2Golf”):**

- The allied partners of golf have produced a “Back2Golf” document that most golf courses are following for events at their course. Document includes what clubhouses should consider based on the phase that they are currently in.
- All events will utilize shotgun start to get all persons out on the course at one time to avoid gatherings in and around the clubhouse.
- If event is scheduled at a 9-hole course, participants shall not exceed 27 participants.
- If event is scheduled at an 18-hole course, participants shall not exceed 54 participants. (Numbers are based on 3 participants per hole.)

**KSHSAA Protocol modifications:**

- Postseason will utilize tee times. Teams will not arrive until 45 minutes until their scheduled tee time.
- Communicate the details of the event prior to the day of the event. This way schools can plan their arrival and competition with minimal gatherings to discuss the event details.
- At the conclusion of the event no awards ceremony will take place. Record/sign your scorecard and submit to event manager. Event manager will communicate results with schools and delivery of awards appropriately. Set up an outdoor area to sign the scorecard.
- If severe weather delays the event, participants shall go to their car. Avoid large gathering indoors.
- Athletes should provide their own water bottle.
- KSHSAA will consider waiving the requirement for a marker this year in the postseason.

**End of Match:**

- in lieu of handshakes, please develop and utilize an appropriate sign of respect and sportsmanship that does not include handshake or other physical contact; suggestions include head nod, chest thump, salute, etc.