

KSHSAA SPECTATOR GUIDELINES FOR GOLF



Welcome to all the parents and spectators! We are glad to have each of you here to watch the players. While you are watching, we ask that you observe the following guidelines. These guidelines are being provided to ensure consistency in all KSHSAA postseason golf tournaments.

- 1. Spectators are required to follow golf etiquette at all times.** When the player you are watching finishes a hole, remember that the other players in the group may still be finishing.
- 2. Spectators are asked to stay at least 30 yards behind the group they are watching.** However, you need to be aware of the group behind you and not slow them down.
- 3. Spectators are asked to NOT pick up any golf balls on the course during the tournament.** These players are not professionals and the owner of the ball may be several fairways over.
- 4. Spectators may not offer any advice to any of the players.** This includes not offering your suggestions on the club selection, direction of wind, or possible rulings on a situation. If you are 30 yards behind them, this should not be a problem.
- 5. Spectators may help hunt for a lost ball, but may not be in front of the group to watch where their ball lands. (This is called being a fore caddie).**
- 6. Spectators shall in no instances move a player's bag or ball or offer or provide a ride in a cart during the round of golf. (The player shall be disqualified.)**
- 7. Spectators shall not be involved in the scoring or the recording of scores for the group. The spectators may keep score but cannot correct or dispute the scores of any of the players of the group.**
- 8. Spectators may give encouraging remarks such as “nice shot,” “great drive” or “good putt.” Please keep all comments positive and at the appropriate times and for all players in the group.**
- 9. Spectators are asked to turn cell phones off when in the vicinity of golfers.** Golfers in possession of cell phones during play will be disqualified.
- 10. The Tournament Manager has the right to forbid spectators entirely if deemed necessary. They also have the right to ask any spectator to leave the course. High school events shall be absent of alcohol.**

**If spectators are not able to abide by these guidelines,
they will be asked to leave.**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION!