

Sierra Sage Men's Golf Club

Membership Compact

Belonging to Sierra Sage Men's Golf Club is a privilege that has benefits and comes with responsibilities. Organized golf has a long illustrious history with traditions that date back to the 19th century. No other sport is as self monitored and dependent upon each individual's/group's self-policing penalties while protecting the field as does the game of golf. By requesting membership in this club, you agree to the following:

Scoring. Record all adjusted scores (except tournament) as outlined by the USGA GHIN. Tournament scores will be handled by the Tournament Committee. Give score card to competitor not in the same cart. As you finish each hole, state your score to all members of your group to eliminate confusion or recording errors. Ensure you sign cards at end of round to certify your score. Penalty will be assessed for incorrect/unsigned cards. Handicap Indexes (HI) are determined by the World Handicap System and can be adjusted locally based on members' demonstrated ability. Egregious violations of etiquette, the Rules of Golf, or fair play can result in HI withdrawn for a month up to the remainder of the regular tournament season. _____ **int**

Pace-of-play. Is the responsibility of each member. Help your group maintain pace with the group in front of you. Be ready when it's your turn! If the group in front or yours is having difficulties and falls off pace by a hole or more, request/encourage others to play through. Members/groups unable to keep pace can be restricted in their ability to make early tee times. _____ **int**

Golf/course etiquette. It is inherent that each member have a working knowledge of the rules of golf and to ensure that individually and as a group the rules are followed to the best of your ability. Download the Rules of Golf application and familiarize yourself with those rules typically encountered during a round. If there is a question, play two balls and resolve the issue with the Tournament Committee at the end of play. EVERY member is responsible for repairing damage to the course due to normal play. Replace/fill divots, rake bunkers, and fix ball marks. DO NOT remove balls from the cup with your putter head! If you have a ball retrieval tool on your putter grip, ensure you are at a vertical angle so as to not damage the hole. If you do damage the hole, repair it before moving on to the next tee. _____ **int**

Drive golf carts/boards responsibly. Keep them out of unauthorized areas, away from the greens/tee boxes (as appropriate with your rated disability), and on designated paths as much as possible. Cigarette butts and seed casings should NOT be discarded anywhere on the course. Carry an empty can or similar container for proper disposal. Common courtesy makes golf fun for everyone. _____ **int**

This is by no means a complete list of actions that make belonging to a club enjoyable. Be an active member! If you have suggestions that will improve play, speak up! Your Board of Directors are very interested in members' inputs.

As a member of Sierra Sage Men's Golf Club, I pledge to support the ideals and goals of our club!

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