



COVID-19 Tournament Best Practices

● Pre-tournament communication

- A notice to competitors on the procedures that will be put in place
- If participants do not follow the procedures, they are subject to the Code of Conduct and all penalties that apply including disqualification
- Staff will be wearing masks and gloves throughout the day while making sure they are continuing to sanitize
- We will send all rules to Host Professionals along with how they need to monitor the events

● Arrival

- Players Check in 1 Hr prior to their tee time and not any sooner
 - Players can arrive to course before the 1 Hr but must stay in their car
 - Players can warm up 1 Hr prior to their tee time on the range and it will be spaced out where 6 feet will be between you and other competitors
 - Golf cars may be single or double riders depending on the status of the pandemic. They will be wiped down thoroughly before the start of every event. If players are uncomfortable riding with another participant, they are allowed to strap their bag to the car while they walk

● Arriving to the tee

- No handshakes
- Players will arrive to the 1st tee 10 min prior to their tee time not any sooner
- Players can sanitize their hands upon arrival to the 1st tee
- Players will maintain 6 feet separation while on the first tee
- The starter will walk over to each competitor to give information
- Players will receive the persons card that they are marking for to limit exchange

● Playing the Course

- Players will be allowed to remove the flagstick at their own discretion. Groups should determine a plan and come to a consensus on how to manage the flagstick (keep it in at all times or remove it when possible). According to the recent CDC article regarding transmission through contacting surfaces, it is more difficult to contract the virus through surface contact than originally thought
- There will be a sanitizing station at the turn in which all contestants may use
- Upon completion of the round there are to be no handshakes or touching. You can communicate verbally from 6 feet away to thank and congratulate your competitors



- While walking or riding maintain as much distance as possible and please refrain from touching other participants equipment. Example: ball marks, club covers, tees and golf balls.
- Tournament officials reserve the right to implement a local rule of lift, clean, and place within bunkers

- **Scoring Area**
 - Will be roped off at every event
 - The group who recently finished is the only group allowed in the scoring area
 - There will be chairs 6 feet apart at the scoring area to limit exposure
 - If the group ahead is still in the scoring area the group that recently finished will remain outside the scoring area until directed to enter the scoring area.
 - Players can sanitize hands upon entering the scoring area and while leaving the scoring area
 - The tournament committee will verbally go over hole by hole scores with the competitors in the scoring area

- **Awards Presentation**
 - People will be required to return to their vehicles immediately following the round
 - Awards will be mailed out to the winners
 - Staff will handle awards presentation via social media for people to still hear their names announced

- **Spectators**
 - Spectators will be allowed however they will be required to walk unless handicap placard is presented at the golf shop
 - Upon finishing the round spectators will not be allowed to linger around the scoring area they will be asked/directed to their vehicle

- **Evacuation Plan**
 - If we need to evacuate the course, participants will do so immediately and will go to their cars until we are ready to resume
 - If participants do not have a car, we will have a designated area where they will need to remain 6 feet apart from one another
 - Masks will be provided if necessary. Staff and rules officials will keep masks with them on golf cars if they need to pick participants up



- **Consequences**

- If spectators or participants choose not to follow these rules and guidelines, they will be subject to our Code of Conduct and all penalties that apply. They will be asked to leave the facility and will not be allowed back, forfeit their entry fee, and could face possible suspension from all Sun Country events.