



General Play & Course Conduct

- USGA rules of golf apply except as amended by local rules
- All golfers, both members and guests, are expected to check in with the Golf Shop prior to play.
- All play starts on #1 unless otherwise instructed by the Golf Shop or Starter on duty.
- A Ranger may be active on the course at high traffic times; they are there to help keep pace of play. Please cooperate and follow their instructions.
- No more than 4 players in one group without permission from the Golf Shop.
- All golfers are expected to learn and observe golf rules and etiquette.
- The Golf Course Superintendent, Director of Golf and or the Golf Professional have the authority to close or reopen the course and to restrict the use of carts they deem the condition of the course makes it necessary. **Absolutely no play when the course is closed.**

Turn Etiquette

- If planning to utilize the Snack Bar at the turn, players are strongly encouraged to call in their orders from the 9th tee.
- Excessive delays (stopping and eating) at the turn when the course is busy will result in play passing through your group and requires approval from the Golf Shop or Starter on duty prior to resuming play at the next available opening.

Course Etiquette

- For daily play, the maximum expected pace of play is 4 hours from the time you leave the first tee to the time you finish putting out on #18.
- All players shall replace divots, repair ball marks and spike marks on the green after putting. Players are expected to rake bunkers and leave rakes outside the bunker, perpendicular to the edge of the bunker.
- The use of tobacco products (cigarettes, cigars, ect) is prohibited from all greens and tee boxes. Cigarette and cigar butts must be disposed of in trash receptacles.
- Slower groups are to give way to those groups playing at a faster pace behind them.
- Maximum time for looking for a lost ball is 3 minutes. While looking, you must allow those behind you to play through.
- **PLAY READY GOLF**

Golf Carts

- All individuals operating a golf cart must have a valid driver's license.
- Only two individuals may be permitted in a golf cart at a given time.
- Drivers of golf carts must obey all golf cart signs and any daily cart restrictions
- When no restrictions are posted, golfers are expected to drive on cart paths or observe the 90 degree rule from the rough to fairway.
- Golf carts must be kept a minimum of 30 yards away from all greens.
 - Green-side: Carts must be on the cart path.
 - All Par 3's will be treated as Cart Path Only
 - Exceptions to those rules apply only to those issued a handicap flag. Handicap eligibility will be limited to those with a State issued handicap plate designation.

Privately Owned Carts

- The right to use a privately owned golf cart on the golf course is currently granted by Timber Banks CC, Inc. and is non-assignable license and personal rite. Timber Banks CC, Inc. may terminate the license and rite at any time.
- Privately owned golf carts to be used on the golf course must be approved by ownership or Director of Golf for compliance with standards as determined by the Club.
- All private cart owners must sign a release of liability, which holds Timber Banks CC, Inc. harmless of any loss damage relating to the owner's operation of the golf cart. Each year, a Timber Banks resident who owns a private cart and wishes to use it on the golf course shall be required to provide the Club with proof that the operation of the golf cart is covered by a liability insurance policy of a combined single limit of at least \$300,000.00 per occurrence for personal bodily injury including death and property damage.
- A Timber Banks resident using a private cart will be held fully responsible for all damages caused by the misuse of the golf cart or his/her guest(s). The Timber Banks resident shall reimburse Timber Banks cc, Inc. for all damages the Club may sustain by reason of misuse, including without limitation, damage to other golf carts and the property of the Club.
- Privately Owned Carts
 - MUST be manufactured by Club Car
 - MUST be Precedent or Tempo model
 - MUST be battery powered
 - MUST be Sangria Red in color
 - MUST have a top
 - MUST not exceed 48" in width
 - MUST have 4 wheels
 - MUST not be a passenger vehicle

- Timber Banks CC, Inc. will establish a yearly trail fee for each season. The annual trail fee is non-refundable and is not transferable.
- A Timber Banks resident with a private golf cart may ride with each other but may not loan their cart to other golfers. Residents paying the annual trail fee must check in the golf shop prior to beginning play, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Director of Golf or Head Golf Professional.
- Any member (not owning a private golf cart) that rides in a private golf cart must pay the appropriate cart fee to the golf shop. A maximum of two riders and 2 golf balls per golf cart is allowed.

Posting Scores

- All Timber Banks Members are entitled to GHIN handicap services as part of their membership.
- Members who play in leagues and tournaments are expected to post all eligible scores for the rounds played.
 - For an 18-hole scores to be acceptable for handicap purposes, a minimum of 10 holes must be played.
 - For a 9-hole score to be acceptable for handicap purposes, all 9 holes must be played.
 - Rounds played alone are not acceptable scores to be posted.
 - Any member not posting acceptable scores and or not posting a correct score may result in probation from league/tournament play and or an adjustment to handicap index.

Practice Facilities

- The practice facility opens 30 minutes prior to the first tee opening and closes approximately 1 hour before dark. Exception is Sunday when the practice facility closes 2 hours before dark for a clean pick. The facility will open on Monday's at approximately
- The range tee and practice area will be mowed every Monday.
- Please adhere to any rules of the day – such as mats only.
- Range balls are to be hit only from areas where golf ball baskets are stationed. Please do not remove range balls from the practice area.
- Please hit from designated area defined by ropes on the ground.
- Those using the range are expected to adhere to the same dress code as the golf course.

Junior Golf

- A junior golfer is defined as a child of a Member under 18 years old.
- It is important that all adults with Junior Golfers be aware of pace of play.
- Groups with Junior Golfers must give way t faster groups behind them.
- Junior Golfers are restricted from play on weekends & holidays before 12:00pm.

Guest Rules

- All guests must be accompanied by a member.
- A guest (considered anyone who is not a current Golf Member) may not play more than 5 rounds in a calendar year. Exceptions may be made by the Director of Golf or Head Golf Professional for play in major events (member – guest, outside tournaments, ect).

Golf Dress Code

- **Golf Attire:** The primary purpose of a Dress Code policy is to ensure that all golfers present themselves in a neat appropriate fashion. Our policy applies to the golf course and practice facilities and is in effect all year round. Dress guidelines are as follows:
 - **Men:** Sleeved golf shirts with collars or mock necks should be always worn with shirt tucked in when appropriate. Bottoms consist of slacks, or golf shorts of fashionably acceptable length. T-shirts, tank tops, cargo shorts with non-flush pockets, walking/gym shorts, denim and swimwear are not acceptable.
 - **Ladies:** Sleeveless golf shirts need to have a collar or crew neck, and sleeved golf shirts are acceptable without a collar. Short shorts, or mini skorts, denim, bathing suits, cover-ups, halter/tank/tube tops are not acceptable.
 - **Juniors:** Juniors are expected to adhere to the same policies as adults during general play. Juniors participating in PGA Jr. League, Golf Clinics and/or camps may be permitted to wear non-golf specific athletic clothing in good taste during organized group activity.
 - **Headwear and Footwear:** Soft spiked golf shoes are to be worn. Dress shoes, sandals, slippers, and bare feet are not allowed. Hats, caps, and visors should be worn in their intended fashion, with bills facing forward.
 - Members are responsible for communicating the dress code to their guests and children. The management team and golf staff will monitor and enforce proper golf attire. Members or guests who fail to adhere to the above dress code will not be allowed on the golf course or practice facilities.

Cell Phones & Music

- We ask that members and guests limit the use of cell phones at the Club. Any use should be discreet and in a manner which will not disturb others or detract from their experience. At a minimum, switch the ringtone to silent and text if possible.
- Music on the golf course is permitted so long as it is limited to your personal surroundings. Music should not be heard by those outside of your cart, on other holes, or disruptive to your playing partners.

League & Tournament Play

- All Members are issued a USGA GHIN number for score posting and establishing a handicap. Members who are actively involved in leagues and tournaments are expected to be diligent about posting their scores to maintain an accurate handicap.
- The tournament and league schedules are designed to offer maximum enjoyment and participation for all members. Tournament information will be linked within email blasts and available on the calendar in the Member Portal.

- Tournament registration opens 2 months prior to the event.

Golf Shop & Bag Room

- Unless otherwise stated, prizes for club affiliated leagues, events and tournaments will be in the form of Golf Shop Credit.
- Golf Shop winnings (credit) are not to be applied to standing account balances.
- All Golf Shop credit must be used by November 1st of the calendar year in which it is won.
- Golf Memberships (excluding Junior Membership and dependents of Members) are entitled to club storage for the season.
- Clubs that are stored will be cleaned after each round and staged appropriately upon arrival at the club.
- The bag room is open from April until the 3rd Sunday of November. Members are asked to remove their golf bags at the end of each season. Those bags left over the winter will not be the responsibility of Timber Banks.
- The Golf Shop will open daily 30 minutes prior to the first starting time of the day and remain open until at least 7:00pm, unless otherwise posted. Off-season hours will be communicated to the membership.

Code of Conduct

- State liquor regulations and other substance regulations shall be always enforced.
 - **It is against the law in the State of New York to consume alcoholic beverages on property that have not been purchased at Timber Banks.**
- No member or guest shall interfere with the management of the Club or shall reprimand or discipline an employee. Any inattention to duty or lack of hospitality by an employee should be promptly reported to the Supervisor of the department.
- Should any member or guest have a concern or complaint about a fellow member, they should contact Management or Ownership.