

# PARENTAL EXPECTATIONS

These parental expectations reflect and uphold the overarching Pacific Golf Club (PGC) Code of Conduct, which aims to foster a respectful, inclusive, and positive environment for all members, participants, and guests. By adhering to these expectations, parents contribute to the broader culture of fairness, respect, and integrity that PGC strives to maintain across all its programs and events. Any breaches of the parental expectations will be managed in accordance with the PGC's Code of Conduct and associated processes outlined in the club's constitution.

## **General Conduct**

### **1. *Respect for All***

- Treat everyone—players, coaches, officials, parents, and spectators—with respect and fairness, regardless of gender, ability, background, or religion.
- Exhibit sportsmanship and positive behaviour at all times.

### **2. *Encouraging Enjoyment and Growth***

- Recognise that children play golf for enjoyment and personal growth, not just competition.
- Focus on your child's efforts and improvements over results or winning.

### **3. *Positive Role Modelling***

- Lead by example by maintaining calm and respectful behaviour, even in challenging situations.
- Avoid any actions that could disrupt or create tension during practices or competitions.

## **Support for Rules and Officials**

### **4. *Adherence to Rules and Etiquette***

- Help your child understand the importance of following the rules and upholding the spirit of golf.
- Respect decisions made by officials and coaches without interfering during games or practices.

### **5. *No Tolerance for Poor Conduct***

- Avoid criticising, yelling at, or ridiculing players for mistakes.
- Refrain from any form of physical, verbal, or emotional harassment.

### **6. *Cheating Will Not Be Tolerated***

- All players must abide by the rules of golf, both while at Pacific Golf Club and when representing the club at junior tournaments.
- Cheating or any form of dishonesty during gameplay undermines the integrity of the sport and will not be tolerated.
- Any instances of cheating should be reported promptly to the event officials, and appropriate disciplinary action will be taken in line with PGC's Code of Conduct.

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## Respect for the Golf Course

### **7. Course and Equipment Respect**

- Teach children to care for the golf course by repairing divots, raking bunkers, and avoiding damage to greens.
- Emphasise the responsible use of equipment and discourage mistreatment such as throwing clubs.

## Communication and Reporting

### **8. Constructive Communication**

- Engage respectfully and constructively with coaches and officials, addressing concerns privately and calmly.

### **9. Reporting Issues**

- Politely address inappropriate behaviour by others if comfortable. If it continues, report it to a PGC or event official for action.

## Consequences for Breach of Conduct

- Acknowledgement and Compliance
  - Participation in PGC events or by representing PGC at an event, signifies agreement to these expectations.
  - Breaches may lead to disciplinary action, including suspension or exclusion from events, based on the severity of the violation.

These parental expectations ensure a safe, inclusive, and enjoyable environment for junior golfers, aligning with the values of sports organisations in Queensland, Australia.

Thank you for your cooperation in supporting our community at Pacific Golf Club.