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## **Golf Canada Code of Conduct Policy**

Golf Canada takes great pride in the quality of its competitors, host facilities and broad community involvement at each championship. In order to continue making Golf Canada championships enjoyable for everyone, all competitors are required to adhere to the Golf Canada Code of Conduct.

The Golf Canada Code of Conduct must be followed by all competitors and caddies, on and off the golf course, throughout the entire championship, including the practice round(s).

### **Violations of the Code of Conduct:**

- Unsportsmanlike conduct, including abusive language, club throwing, disrespect to volunteers, officials or fellow-competitors, or abuse of golf course property.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages on the competition course or any designated practice areas.
- Possession of any illegal substance.
- Failure to adhere to the dress code policy while on the host facility property.
- Any vandalism at a host hotel, abusive behaviour to host family or their property.
- Any other conduct unbecoming of a Golf Canada competitor.

### **Code of Conduct Penalties:**

- A competitor's entry may be withdrawn at any time (including during the championship) by Golf Canada.
- Suspension from future Golf Canada championships.

**Note:** Every athlete and other person participating in the sport shall reasonably cooperate with the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport (CCES) or another anti-doping organization investigating anti-doping rule violations and that a failure to do so may be the basis for disciplinary action within the sport.

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The Golf Canada Amateur Competitions Committee is the sole judge in determining conduct unbecoming and may assess any or all of the preceding penalties based on the severity and frequency of the violation(s). Any Code of Conduct violation will result in a written letter to the competitor. In the event of a suspension, the competitor will be required to submit a written account of the Code of Conduct violation to the Golf Canada Amateur Competitions Committee within 30 days of the suspension. The Committee will determine the length of the suspension after reviewing all submitted materials, including a Golf Canada tournament official/staff account of the violation. Any competitor who is under suspension will not be eligible for post-season honours.

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