

Cane Creek Golf Course Rules- edit 7-2025

These Cane Creek Golf Course Rules and Regulations are established to enhance the recreational and social pleasure of all golfers, Cane Creek reserves the right to establish or modify rules, regulations, policies, guidelines, or systems governing access or reservation of the Cane Creek Facilities. Cane Creek reserves the right to establish and modify Membership Categories, Privileges, tee time reservation privileges and any policies in its discretion at any time.

By agreeing to play golf at Cane Creek you are agreeing to follow all rules and laws governing this facility. You are also subject to being searched and having your property searched for illegal drugs as well as alcohol not purchased from the pro shop. If you do not consent to this you do not have to play here. You may also choose to leave the property immediately- no refunds or rain checks issued.

Failure to follow the rules and laws laid out by Cane Creek, the City of Anniston, and the state of Alabama may cause you to be asked to leave the golf course property, trespassed from all city of Anniston properties, and potentially arrested and or sued in court for damages.

All players, riders, walkers, and anyone entering the golf course property **MUST CHECK IN AT THE PRO SHOP BEFORE YOU BEGIN TO PLAY.**

Anyone who sneaks onto or enters the golf course or property without checking in at the pro shop and paying the greens fees or cart fees runs the risk of being charged with 4th degree theft of services as well as trespassed from Cane Creek Golf Course and other city of Anniston Facilities. If the pro shop is closed, the course is no longer allowing new players for the day.

Attire

Golf Attire – proper golf attire is required for all players. Proper attire shall mean the following:

1. Men: Shirts with sleeves and shorts, slacks, or pants. No exposed mid sections are allowed. No clothing with vulgar language or obscene pictures are allowed.

2. Ladies: Dresses, skirts, slacks, pants, or shorts. Shorts and Skirts should cover your butt. Shirts must cover your mid-section. No swimsuits, Bikinis, or sports bras worn as outerwear. No clothing with vulgar language or obscene pictures are allowed
3. Golf Shoes: Appropriate golf shoes are required for all golfers. Shoes with metal spikes are prohibited. Golfers must wear shoes with soft spikes. Football, soccer or other knobby spike shoes are not allowed. Tennis shoes or other soft sole shoes are subject to the approval of the management.
4. This dress code is mandatory for all players. Improperly dressed golfers shall be asked to change before playing. If you are in doubt concerning your attire, please check with management.
5. Appropriate attire must be worn in a tasteful manner on Cane Creek premises at all times.

General Golf Rules

1. The Rules of Golf as adopted by the USGA together with the Rules of Etiquette as adopted by the USGA shall be the rules of the Club, except when in conflict with local rules or with any of the rules herein.
2. "Cutting-in" is not permitted at any time. All players and anyone going onto the golf course or driving range must check in and or register with the golf shop prior to teeing-off or entering the driving range area. If the Pro Shop is CLOSED, we are done accepting golfers for that day. DO NOT ENTER THE COURSE once the pro shop has closed, as you are trespassing and can be subject to criminal charges for doing so.
3. Practice is not allowed on the golf course. Mulligans are discouraged to assist with pace of play. Do not use any part of the course for practice. We have a driving range for that reason.
4. Speed of play. It is the goal of all players to complete their round of golf in four Hours or less. This amount of time is more than adequate, provided all players remain aware of the rights of others to play without delay. It is the responsibility of each group to keep pace with the group ahead. If a group falls one complete hole behind the group ahead, the group should allow the group behind them to go

through, if they are holding that group up. It is each group's responsibility to keep observant of its position on the course and keep pace. The designated course marshal has the authority to keep play moving at the proper pace for all players' enjoyment. Players unable to keep proper pace may be requested to pick up their ball and skip any open hole(s) to get back in position on the golf course.

5. All players who stop after playing nine holes for any reasons must occupy the next tee before the following players arrive at the tee or they shall lose their position on the golf course. All players stopping after nine holes and staying in the clubhouse for an extended period of time to eat or take a break should be considerate and allow golfers behind them to play through.

6. All tournament play must be approved by appropriate Club personnel in advance.

7. Enter and leave bunkers at the nearest level point to the green and smooth sand over with a rake upon leaving.

8. Please repair all fairway divots, using the sand provided on the golf carts.

9. Please repair all ball marks on the green.

10. Searching for balls other than those played by members of the group is not allowed on the course at any time.

11. Each player must have his or her own set of golf clubs. Sets of rental clubs are available in the golf shop.

12. All markers and signs regulating the movement of golf carts must be strictly observed. Do not drive beyond or attempt to move any guide ropes or stakes. Keep the carts on the cart path as often as possible during your round.

14. If storms, rain, or lightning is in the area each player is responsible for their own safety. Although the golf shop staff may warn players about lightning in the area, of which it is aware, Cane Creek Golf Course does not assume any duty to detect lightning and warn players. If Cane Creek Staff warns players about potential lightning in the area either via an acoustical device or in any other form, players must stop play immediately. Ultimately, it is up to each player to take responsibility

for their own weather-related safety and take cover as needed to make sure that they are not injured.

15. Jogging, bicycling, fishing, sledding or recreational walking is not permitted on the golf course at any time.

16. No beverage coolers are permitted on the course at any time. All alcoholic beverages must be purchased at the Cane Creek Grill.

17. Discontinued Play policy: less than five holes played – full 18 hole rain check; less than 13 holes played – nine hole rain check.

18. Twosomes may play at the discretion of Cane Creek Staff. Twosomes should not expect to play through foursomes and should not exert any pressure on the groups ahead. **Foursomes shall have the right of way.**

19. Twosomes and singles can be grouped with other players at the discretion of Cane Creek Staff.

20. Singles shall have no priority on the golf course and shall be permitted to play only at the discretion of Cane Creek Staff. Singles should not expect to play thorough other groups and should not exert any pressure on groups ahead.

21. Groups of five or more players shall only be permitted on the golf course with permission of Cane Creek Staff.

22. Cane Creek Staff has the authority to enforce all rules and regulations on the entire golf course property. This includes asking players to abide by all rules, asking players to leave the course for failure to obey the rules, taking away carts from golfers who fail to follow the course rules, and requesting help from law enforcement when needed- especially relayed to ABC cases.

23. No loud music is allowed on the golf course. If you choose to play music it must be at a volume that only you or the players in your group, who wish to listen to music, can hear it.

24. Taking range balls from the practice facility, practice tee, or driving range is prohibited and considered theft and shall be treated as theft. This is a 4th degree

misdemeanor and punishable by up to one year incarceration and a fine up to \$6000. Go to Walmart and buy some cheap golf balls.

25. If you are caught playing at any time on the course with range balls from Cane Creek or any golf course, you will be asked to leave. If they are Cane Creek Range Balls, you may be charged with theft. If you find range balls on the course, please report them to the pro shop so we can come get them and find out who the idiot is that is stealing them.

Hours of Play

The hours of play and golf shop hours shall be posted in the golf shop. The golf course superintendent will determine when the golf course is fit for play. Play begins at 730am and the course closure time is dusk. All carts must be turned in at the time posted in the pro shop. If you do not turn in our cart that you are renting on time, we reserve the right to come and get the cart back so we can close for the day.

Golf Starting Times

1. Cane Creek Staff shall assign the starting time depending on availability. All play must start from No. 1 tee unless permission is granted from the Cane Creek Staff.
2. Tee times may be made in person, through the online tee time system (if available), or by phone.
3. Tee times for weekday/weekend play can be arranged fourteen (14) days in advance for all golfers or farther out if approved by golf course management.
4. Golfers should notify the golf shop of any cancellation at least 72 hours in advance of their tee time.

Registration

All golfers and any riders (subject to availability) must register in person in the golf shop before beginning play. Failure to check in and register ten minutes prior to a reserved starting time may result in assignment of another starting time or cancellation, at the discretion of the Pro Shop or Marshall. If you do not check in at the pro shop in person- DO NOT GO OUT ON THE COURSE. We need to know everyone that is on our property.

Practice Areas

1. The practice facility, chipping and putting greens are open during normal operating hours as posted in the golf shop. These areas may be closed for general maintenance, bad weather, or flooding at the Club's discretion. These areas may also be closed for instructional clinics as scheduled by the golf shop.
2. Golf carts are not permitted on the practice tee at any time.
3. Proper golf attire, as described in the "Attire" section of this document is required at all times.
4. Lessons by unauthorized professionals are prohibited.

General Golf Cart & Pull Cart Rules

1. The use of golf carts is mandatory on Saturdays, Sundays, and Holidays before 200 pm. No walkers, single golfers, or guest riders before that time on those days.
2. Golf carts shall not be used by anyone on the Club Facilities without proper assignment and registration in the pro shop.
3. Golf carts may only be used on the golf course when the course is open for play and as instructed by Cane Creek Staff.
4. Golf carts may only be operated by persons at least 16 years of age having a valid automobile driver's license. You may be asked for a copy of your driver's license before you are allowed to rent a golf cart. Failure to provide a copy of your license, will disqualify you from being able to rent and drive a golf cart on Cane Creek Golf Course Property.
5. Only two persons and two sets of golf clubs are permitted per golf cart. Walkers are not allowed to ride on golf carts in between holes.
6. Privately owned golf carts are not permitted on Cane Creek Property at any time unless approved by Cane Creek Staff.
7. Pull carts are permitted on the course but never on the greens.

8. Always use golf cart paths provided and in accordance with the daily access rules relative to conditions as provided by Cane Creek Staff.

***Cart Path only- means stay on the path at all times- No handicapped exceptions are made during these conditions.

*** 90-degree rule means you may access the fairway perpendicular to the cart path, stay out of any low spots or puddling, and then return to the cart path without moving towards the hole.

***Golf carts should never be parked between the green and the fairway.

9. When golf carts are allowed on the fairways, carts should enter fairway where the fairway begins and when approaching the green return to the cart path prior to reaching the exit posts or guide lines and stakes. Be careful to avoid soft areas on fairways, especially after rains.

10. Never drive a golf cart through a hazard.

11. Golf carts should be parked on cart path between the green being played and the next tee to promote faster play. No golf carts are allowed within 30 feet of any green or tee box, unless they are on the cart path that lies within that radius. If you have a legitimate physical handicap and need to park closer to the green, you must register with the pro shop and inform them of this issue. You must have a government issued handicapped parking decal in order to validate this claim. You can't just put a handicapped flag on your cart and drive wherever you like on the course.

12. Violations of golf cart rules may result in suspension or loss of playing privileges.

13. Each golfer accepts and assumes all responsibility for liability connected with operation of the golf cart. The golfer also expressly indemnifies and agrees to hold harmless the Indemnified Parties from any and all damages, whether direct or consequential, arising from or related to the operation of the golf cart.

14. Operation of a golf cart is at the risk of the operator. Persons who are or appear to be legally intoxicated may not operate a golf cart. Cost of repair to a golf cart

shall be charged to the person who rented the golf cart. Each golfer shall be held fully responsible for any and all damage to the course and cart. Especially those that are caused by the misuse of the golf cart and shall reimburse Cane Creek Golf Course for any and all damages. It is the job of the renter to avoid all hazards, pot holes, creeks, bunkers, greens, tee boxes, and any other areas that could damage the golf cart.

All labor to fix or repair the golf cart you damaged will be billed out at \$100.00 per hour, in whole hours rounding up to the end of the hour and billed to the golfer that rented the golf cart. These include but are not limited to mechanical and cosmetic damage.

All parts purchased to repair the golf cart will be marked up 300% and billed to the golfer who rented the golf cart.

If you rent the cart- it is your responsibility to return the cart undamaged, in any way, to the cart barn area. If you are having an issue with your cart, you must call the pro shop or bring the cart back to the pro shop and inform Cane Creek Staff of the issue immediately.

Golf Course Etiquette

Persons using the golf course should do their part to make a round of golf a pleasant experience for everyone on the course. Here are some suggestions:

1. Do not waste time. Anticipate the club or clubs you may need, and go directly to your ball. Always be near your ball to play promptly when it is your turn. If a player is delayed in making his shot, it would be courteous for such player to indicate to another player to play which should not be deemed playing out of turn.
2. The time required to “hole out” on and around the green is a chief cause of slow play. Study and clear the line of your putt while others are doing the same. Be ready to putt when it is your turn.
3. When approaching a green, park your golf cart or pull cart on the cart path on the best direct line to the next tee, in order to save significant time. Never leave the golf cart in front of the green where you will have to go back and get it while following players wait for you to move on.

4. When play of a hole is completed, leave the green promptly and proceed to the next tee without delay. Record the scoring for the completed hole while the others in your group are playing from the next tee.
5. If you are not holding your place on the course, allow the players behind to play through. Do the same if you stop to search for a lost ball.
6. Slow play and breaches of golf etiquette will be reported to the pro shop. Appropriate action will be taken by Cane Creek Staff .
7. Rake all footprints and divots from the bunkers.
8. Please fill all divots on par 3 tees.
9. Observe and follow all direction signs on the course.
10. Obnoxious, rude, loud, and aggressive behavior towards other golfers, riders, and any staff members will not be tolerated. You will be asked to leave the property and run the risk of being trespassed from all city of Anniston properties as well as arrested and or sued in court, depending on the severity of the behavior and any damage caused by that behavior.
11. Obey the directions given by all course employees at all times. This includes allowing faster parties to play through, keeping the golf carts in the designated areas relative to the course conditions, and being advised about rude behavior.

Guest Rider Policy

Due to frequent abuse of the guest rider policy, reckless behavior on the course, and damage to areas on the golf course we are changing the guest rider policy.

- No Guest Riders are allowed on Saturday and Sunday until After 230pm CST.
- All Guest Riders and Golfers must check in at the pro shop before they begin.
- Only one guest rider is allowed for each round of golf purchased and they must ride in the same cart as the golfer. The cost per guest rider is \$10.00.
- Guest riders must remain in the cart and are not allowed to play golf.
- Only 2 people per golf cart. No Standing on the back of the golf cart.

Other Cane Creek Policies worth reminding our patrons about...

Some of these have already been covered, but we would like to reemphasize them as we have had issues in the past.

- No Walkers or Single golfers until after 200pm on Saturday and Sunday

- No Grouping. If you present yourself as a single golfer at the pro shop, you need to play as a single. Please come to the pro shop with your entire group when you are ready to check in and pay. This includes any riders or minors that will be in your group.

- 2 golfers per cart on Saturday and Sunday- and other times as posted.

- Keep all golf carts on the cart path as often as possible, keep all golf carts at least 10 yards from the sides and back of the green & never park you cart in between the fairway and the green or the tee box and the green on a par three.

- Please practice good golf etiquette and manners. If you don't know golf etiquette, please watch a video or read an article. It's not hard to be polite.

- Please repair ball marks on greens and rake bunkers after playing.

If your intent is to come here, get drunk, tear up the course and equipment, & then verbally abuse the employees and other golfers, please stay home or play somewhere else. We haven't had to press charges or file any lawsuits yet & would prefer not to do that.

If you are a decent person and see someone not following rules or damaging the course or equipment, please let us know. A quick pic or video helps as well.