

DRESS CODE

All Facilities

- Men's golf shirts must be tucked in.
- Appropriate casual shirts will be permitted to be un-tucked.
- Cargo shorts/pants are not permitted.
- Baseball/golf style hats are not permitted to be worn backwards.
- Hats are not permitted at dinner in the Grille.

Golf Courses and Practice Areas

- All shirts must be tucked in.
- Golf appropriate shorts will be permitted.
- Cargo shorts/pants are not permitted. Anyone wearing cargo shorts will be asked to change.
- Mock tees that are golf appropriate will be permitted, no tee shirts.
- Jeans are not permitted.
- Athletic attire, that is not golf appropriate, is not permitted, i.e. sweatpants.
- Baseball/golf style hats are not permitted to be worn backwards.

ETIQUETTE

- In the Grille Room, cell phones are permitted for texting only. Please silence all portable devices while in the Clubhouse.
- Smoking is not permitted inside the Clubhouse or Villas.
- Please maintain respectful noise levels in all areas of the facility, including the Grille Room, 55th hole balcony and near our overnight accommodations.

CLUB STAFF

PGA General Manager Mark Gore
PGA Director of Golf Steven Carter
PGA Head Golf Pro David Champagne
Director of Grounds Larry Napor
Membership Director Dan Purdy
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A CHAMPIONSHIP LEGACY

The history of Firestone stretches back over a half century to August 10, 1929 when Harvey Firestone drove the first ball down the fairway to open the South Course designed by Bert Way. In 1969, the North Course, designed by Robert Trent Jones was opened and in 2002 the Tom Fazio designed West Course was added. Throughout the years, the legends of the game have left their permanent footprints on the fairways at Firestone.

Tournament golf at Firestone Country Club began in 1954 with the Rubber City Open, which continued through 1959. Firestone was chosen as the site of the 1960 PGA Championship won by Jay Hebert and during that memorable championship, Arnold Palmer triple-bogeyed the 625-yard, par five 16th hole, calling it a "Monster".

The American Golf Classic began in 1961 and then in 1962 the World Series of Golf began under its original format. In subsequent years the course played host to many other competitions, including the CBS Golf Classic and Big-Three Golf, (the forerunner of The World Series of Golf).

The PGA Championship returned to the South Course in 1966 for a second time and was won by Al Geiberger. In 1973 Firestone Country Club became the only course in the world on which three televised golf events- The American Golf Classic, The World Series of Golf and The CBS Golf Classic- were conducted in one calendar year. The PGA Championship was again played at Firestone in 1975, making the club the first to host this prestigious championship three times. Jack Nicklaus, helped by an improbable par on the 16th hole, won his fourth PGA Championship and fourteenth major title.

The North Course was the site of the 1976 American Golf Classic and professional golf returned to the North Course for the 1994 NEC World Series of Golf.

In 1999 Tiger Woods began what some consider to be the "Tiger Era" at Firestone Country Club winning 7 times in a 10 year stretch and in 2009 becoming the first player in the history of the PGA Tour to win at the same venue 7 times.

In 2002, Firestone hosted the Senior PGA Championship won by Fuzzy Zoeller and in 2003 the World Golf Championships returned to Firestone Country Club. In 2005 the Federation of Professional Tours announced a strategic partnership with Bridgestone to become the title sponsor through 2014. This partnership has been the foundation of one of the most successful golf events in the history of the game.



MEMBER AND GUEST INFORMATION

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WELCOME

On behalf of the Membership and Staff, welcome to our fine facility. The information in this pamphlet is meant to acclimate you to our Club and make you aware of the standards that all Members and Guests must abide by. We hope that this helps you to enjoy our facility to its maximum potential. We strive to exceed your expectations on a daily basis. Please contact the Front Desk with additional questions.

WHERE TO PARK

We have two parking lots, the “Upper” and “Lower” lots. The Upper lot is located at the Water Tower and is most commonly used for Guest play. The Lower lot is located by the Practice Range and is generally our Member lot.

BAG DROP

There are two bag drops, one for each parking lot. The Upper bag drop is located in the circle, before the portico. The Lower bag drop is located at the entrance of parking lot closest to the Clubhouse.

GOLF SHOP

Our award winning Golf Shop is located on the ground floor of the Clubhouse. It is fully stocked with top-of-the-line equipment and clothing. To ensure proper billing, we require that all Members and Guests check in at the Golf Shop prior to their round of golf.

LOCKER ROOM

The Men’s Locker Room is located on the top floor of the Clubhouse and the Ladies’ Locker Room is located on the ground floor, across from the Golf Shop. Each Guest is assigned a locker to use for the duration of their stay. For Ladies’ Locker Room keys, please see the Receptionist at the Front Desk in the Lobby.

PRACTICE RANGE

The Practice Range is for the enjoyment of all Golf Members and their Guests. Range balls are staged at the tee and are available whenever the Golf Shop is open.

SPIKELESS SHOES

Firestone Country Club is a spikeless golf course. We have staff on hand to change spikes. This takes a matter of minutes and ensures the quality we expect on the course. We do remind you that spikeless shoes may not have as much traction so please be careful on wet slopes.

GOLF CARTS

Due to the distance between some greens and tees, please utilize a golf cart unless you have the assistance of a Walking Caddy. Make note of the posted cartpath rules. All Members and Guests are expected to adhere to these rules without exception. When carts are allowed on the course, go 90 degrees to your ball and then **stay on the fairway** until you reach the white exit posts. The fairways are more highly maintained and handle golf cart tire stress better than the rough. Keep all four tires on the cartpath when around the greens and tees.

CARE OF THE COURSE

The expected golf course etiquette should always be followed. Repair divots and ballmarks, place litter in trash receptacles, rake your bunker completely, knock sand off your shoes before proceeding onto the putting green and follow all golf cart regulations. The divot mix on the carts is for fairway use only. By following these simple guidelines, you will make the day more enjoyable for all that follow you on the course.

PACE OF PLAY

The U.S.G.A. pace rating of our courses is 4 hours. It is our expectation that all groups adhere to this time frame. The 10 minute interval between tee times ensures a proper spacing between groups. You should never lose sight of the group in front of you. Here at Firestone Country Club, we judge the pace of play by where you are in relation to the group in front of you, not the group behind you. Our marshals will monitor pace of play and notify groups of their pace. Marshals are expected to assist groups that have fallen out of position by fore-caddying, raking bunkers and finding lost balls. They do this so that they will not have to ask you to pick up your ball and move to the next tee. Please respect what they are doing and follow their direction.

We run a double-tee start with a morning wave from approximately 7:30—9:30 am, an afternoon wave from 12:00-2:00 pm and an evening wave starting at 4:45 pm. Tee times can begin at no other time.

The split tee times accommodate two hours of starting times. If you play the first nine holes in less than two hours, it may result in a delay in starting the back nine.

LIGHTNING SAFETY

This Facility does not possess an inclement weather warning or detection system. Golfers are advised that they play at their own risk and we may not be able to retrieve and/or remove anyone from the golf course due to the inclement weather, including lightning.

Golfers may suspend their round at any time upon their own determination and may be eligible for a rain check. Firestone Country Club is not responsible for injuries or damage resulting from inclement weather.