

# Code of Conduct for NNGA Events

All players in Northern Nevada Golf Association (NNGA) events shall abide by the code of conduct set by the Tournament Players Committee (TPC). Players are to conduct themselves in a manner that is conducive to sportsman like play.

There are two types of penalties:

1. **Major Offense Penalty**
2. **Minor Offense Penalty**

## 1. Major Offense Penalty: Immediate disqualification from the tournament.

- a. Destruction of Golf Course property
- b. Throwing of clubs in anger
- c. Physical or verbal abuse of a competitor, opponent or NNGA rules official or volunteer
- d. Excessive outbursts of anger or verbal tirades causing disruption to the competitors or opponent

**Any Major Offense Penalty committed receives an immediate disqualification from the tournament.**

### **First Offense:**

Disqualification from the tournament. The player will receive by registered mail a letter from the TPC stating the cause of disqualification from the tournament proper and the player's letter will remain on file for a period of 12 months.

### **Second Offense:**

Disqualification from the tournament. The player will receive by registered mail a letter and a suspension from all NNGA events including Nevada State Events that will be conducted during the suspension period of 3 months from the date of the disqualification. The letter shall remain on file for a period of 15 months.

### **Third Offense:**

Disqualification from the tournament. The player will receive by registered mail a letter and a suspension from all NNGA events including Nevada State Events that will be conducted during the suspension period of 12 months from the date of the disqualification. The letter shall remain on file for a period of 24 months.

### **Fourth Offense:**

Disqualification from the tournament. The player will receive by registered mail a letter and a suspension from all NNGA events including Nevada State Events. The player will not be allowed to enter NNGA or NSGA events from the NNGA office for an indefinite period of time.

### **Recourse for the player:**

Players will be allowed to have the disqualification reviewed by the TPC and will have the opportunity to address the TPC personally. The player must address the TPC personally and letters to the TPC will not be used for review. If there is no challenge the TPC ruling stands.

## 2. Minor Offense Penalty; Warning.

- a. Excessive offensive language.
- b. Slamming clubs or bags.
- c. Excessive display of anger or disruptive behavior.

### **Procedure for minor offense:**

- a. Complaint from players or witnessed by NNGA official or volunteer.
- b. Player will be warned that this is not acceptable for NNGA events.
- c. 2<sup>nd</sup> complaint in same tournament the player will then be considered a major offense and will be disqualified.