



Frequently Asked Questions on Uniforms and Contest Delays Men's and Women's Golf – 2020-21

1. *What words, logos and symbols are allowed on the uniform?*

- a. Institution name/logo, conference name/logo and student-athlete name.
- b. As authorized by the institution or conference, a commemorative/memorial patch (e.g., names, mascots, nicknames, logos, and marks intended to celebrate or memorialize persons, events, or other causes) is allowed on the uniform. The patch must not exceed 2¼-square inches and must be placed on the front or sleeve of the uniform and may not interfere with any required markings. While not all team members are required to wear the patch, the patch must be identical for those who choose to wear the patch.
- c. Per Section 1.6 in the Golf Pre-Championships Manual, if a student-athlete wears headgear during competition, it must display only an institutional, conference or NCAA logo, or no logo. If there is no logo, a coach's or team member's headgear must be of an institutional color. A manufacturer's logo may appear on the side or back of the item as long as it conforms to NCAA Bylaw 12.5.5. For television purposes, it is recommended that each institution attempt to wear a uniform that reflects its school colors during the final three days of the championships. Team members are not required to wear the same headgear.

2. *What size restrictions are there for these?*

A manufacturer's logo may not exceed 2¼-square inches per NCAA Bylaws.

3. *Are any words other than the player's name allowed on the back?*

As authorized by the institution or conference, other names/words intended to celebrate or memorialize persons, events, or other causes are allowed on the back of the jersey/uniform where the player name is traditionally located. The names/words may vary by team member.

4. *May the uniform contain any other words, slogans, messaging, etc.?*

No. The uniform is restricted to the words listed above.

5. *Are words allowed on wristbands and other attachments?*

The rules do not specifically address words, slogans, messaging, etc. on items not required by rule.

6. *Do uniforms have to be the same for all team members?*

Yes. Per Section 1.6 in the Golf Pre-Championships Manual, contestants must wear uniforms of the same color during competition and practice. Walking or Bermuda shorts are permitted, provided they are team shorts and are of the same color. Slacks or shorts may be worn at the individual's discretion, provided they are of the same color and are considered the team uniform.

7. *How does the unsportsmanlike acts rule apply?*

All players are expected to play in the spirit of the game by:

- a. Acting with integrity – for example, by following the Rules, applying all penalties, and being honest in all aspects of play.
- b. Showing consideration to others – for example, by playing at a prompt pace, looking out for the safety of others, and not distracting the play of another player.
- c. Taking good care of the *course* – for example, by replacing divots, smoothing *bunkers*, repairing ball-marks, and not causing unnecessary damage to the *course*.

There is no penalty under the Rules for failing to act in this way, **except** that the *Committee* may disqualify a player for acting contrary to the spirit of the game if it finds that the player has committed serious misconduct.

Penalties other than disqualification may be imposed for player misconduct only if those penalties are adopted as part of a Code of Conduct under [Rule 1.2b](#) from the Rules of Golf.

8. *What is the rule regarding refusal to play?*

The rules do not refer to the refusal to compete.

9. *Are there any playing rules that specify protocols for student-athletes and/or coaches during the national anthem?*

No. Participants should be allowed to express their opinions (e.g., kneeling during the national anthem) as long as the action does not delay or disrupt competition.

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