



USGA GOLF MUSEUM
GROUP VISITS AND TOUR GUIDELINES
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To insure a positive experience for groups visiting the Museum and/or the Equipment Standards Laboratory, our museum policy and guidelines will help you prepare for your visit.

Groups are expected to arrive on time and it is recommended they arrive 15 minutes prior to the scheduled tour time as tour guides are arranged by appointment only. Groups will meet tour guides in the Museum reception area for instruction.

GROUP SIZE:

- A group consists of ten or more people and must be arranged/reserved in advance.
- Maximum group size not to exceed 75.
- Any group of 30-75 must be divided into smaller groups prior to arrival based on type and location of tours.
- One adult chaperone is required per five students in 3rd - 8th grade.
- Youth groups without sufficient adult supervision may not be admitted.

TOUR GUIDELINES:

Youth Visitors on Tour

- Children must stay with the tour group at all times, unless escorted by a designated adult chaperone.
- Children are encouraged to look closely but may not touch exhibits or related equipment during tours.
- Use inside voices. You are entering a museum, a working office building and/or research center.

Adult Chaperones

- Please help tour guides enforce guidelines and take responsibility for any disruptive behavior.
- The organization arranging the group visit will have reviewed these safety and behavioral guidelines with the lead individuals who will be accompanying the group, which includes but may not be limited to: teachers, coaches, counselors and/or parents.
- Teachers and chaperones are expected to stay with students at all times.
- Specific to the Museum:
 - Silence cell phones and other electronics.
 - Non-flash photos are permitted in Museum.
 - Unaccompanied minors are not permitted to wander through the hallways or outside.

- The adults in the group are responsible for the general overall behavior of every minor. Unacceptable behavior includes running in the hallways, exhibit areas and galleries, talking/interruptive behavior during tours and presentations, use of cell phone for texting.
- Drinks, food, candy and large bags are prohibited. Dispose of or leave these items at the reception desk or location designated for the group.
- We do not have indoor lunch facilities but encourage groups to picnic at the designated tables and areas outside the building.
- Use of museum restrooms is permitted, with chaperones, prior to tours or between activities.

Tips for Chaperones

- “Let’s all line up before we move to the next gallery or exhibit.”
- “Let’s stay clear of glass and text panels as we walk through the galleries and exhibits.”
- “Let’s all look with our eyes and keep our hands behind our backs.”

Adult Visitors on Guided Tours

- The USGA is a smoke free campus both inside and outside.
- Cell phones should be silent during tours.
- Tours may include multiple buildings or involve walking across campus, so comfortable shoes are recommended.

GROUP COSTS:

Museum tour cost for groups of 10 or more people is \$5.00 per person.

The Pynes Putting Course cost is standard \$5.00 per person to participate. Cost includes use of a replica vintage putter, score card, pencil and a replica vintage golf ball.

Any educational related print materials and brochures are complimentary for paid visitors.