



“IT’S OKAY” TO PLAY GOLF FOR FUN

GUILTLESS WAYS TO MAKE GOLF MORE FUN WHILE LEARNING

1. **It’s okay to** not keep score.
2. **It’s okay to** play from the shortest tees or start at the 150 yard marker.
3. **It’s okay to** give yourself a better lie by rolling the ball around a little. It’s okay to tee the ball up anywhere when you are first learning.
4. **It’s okay to** only count swings when you make contact with the ball.
5. **It’s okay to** throw the ball out of a bunker after one try.
6. **It’s okay to** forget about a ball that may be lost or out of bounds. It’s okay to drop a ball where you think it might be...or where you wanted it to be.
7. **It’s okay to** play a scramble with your group...scrambles are very popular.
8. **It’s okay to** just chip and putt on a hole when you feel like it.
9. **It’s okay to** pick up in the middle of the hole and enjoy the outdoors and scenery.
10. **It’s okay to** skip a hole if you need to take a break.
11. **It’s okay to** play less than 9 or 18-holes and call it a round of golf.
12. **It’s okay to** move your ball away from trees, rocks or very hilly lies.
13. **It’s okay to** hit the same club for the entire round, while using a putter on the putting green.
14. **It’s okay to** play golf in your sneakers. Be comfortable!
15. **It’s okay to** get enthusiastic! (High fives, fist pumps and big smiles are encouraged)
16. **It’s okay to** talk on the golf course...enjoy a nice conversation or tell a few jokes.
17. **It’s okay to** bring your kids to the course, whether they are 5 or 35.
18. **It’s okay to PLAY GOLF JUST FOR FUN!**

When you are ready, see your local PGA/LPGA Golf Professional or visit usga.org to learn and play by the USGA Rules of Golf.