

CLUB PRINTS CADDIE STANDARDS

ON A SHEET about letterhead size caddie information for members and the boys is supplied by the Meadowbrook G&CC (Buffalo district). The dope was written by Elwin Nagell, Jr., active pro businessman of the club and put out over the signature of the Golf Committee. It is worth use at many other clubs.

On one side of the sheet are "Suggestion to Members" as follows:

As a member of the club and one who plays golf, you are interested in having the best caddie service possible at Meadowbrook. If we are to have this service, it is necessary for each member to cooperate, and it is asked that you conform to the following suggestions:

SERVICE YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO EXPECT OF A CADDIE:

Strict attention without any playing, fooling or talking.

That he will replace all divots and smooth over holes you have made in sand traps.

That he will be at your side with your clubs when you come up to your ball.

That he will keep his eye on your ball and mark it so he can go directly to it.

That he will be able to hand you the right club when you call for it.

That he will not start off ahead of you until you have completed your shot.

A caddie who measures up to the above expectations, shows a keen interest in your game and conforms to the caddie rules which are printed herewith, is a CLASS A CADDIE; if not, he is a CLASS B CADDIE.

A caddie is not to be penalized for a lost ball if it is driven in the creek or out of bounds. He should, however, do his best to recover it.

Improvement in our caddie service depends upon the fairness and sincerity with which you mark the caddie. You are dealing with boys and they know whether you are fair with them or not. Mark the caddie simply and solely upon the basis of his work.

If you have occasion to find fault with your caddie, point out to him in a friendly way where he has failed and encourage him to correct his faults the next time he goes out.

Member playing in a club match may choose his own caddie. On busy days when caddies are short, two caddies will be sent out to each foursome.

On the other side appears "Instructions to Caddies," which reads:

There will be two classes of caddies—A and B. If you strive to make yourself a Class A caddie, you can do it, regardless of your age or size. Take pride in your work and see how well you can do it. DON'T BE JUST A BAG CARRIER. Ask your player at each tee if he would like you to wash his ball—on number 2, 3, 7, 11, 13, 14, 16, go forward so you can watch the ball. Arrange clubs so member can pick club out quickly.

CADDIE RULES

Caddies must be polite to members.
Caddies must not smoke.
Caddies must not swear.
Caddies must not sit on benches.
Caddies must not sit on greens or tees.

Caddies must know all the clubs.
Caddies are not allowed on the course except when performing the duties of a caddie.

Carry clubs, never drag them.
Never give advice unless asked.
One caddie allowed on putting greens at a time.

Never place feet near or have shadow on hole when tending it.

Always see that flag stick is loose when tending hole.

Never allow a ball to strike you.
When the player is near enough to see the hole, take the flag out and place flag end on the ground.

When the ball is driven into the rough, mark it by some object and go immediately for it.

Never drop or throw clubs on the ground.

Never swing a member's club.
Never lag behind your employer.
Always stand perfectly still and don't talk when member is making stroke.

Never stand in back of a player.
Never run on a putting green.
Never go through a trap.

Caddie must smooth traps after member's shot.

All balls found on the course must be turned in at golf shop.

If strings are loose on member's clubs, turn upside down when putting them in golf shop.

No caddie will be allowed to go out unless he is clean and unless he wears the caddie cap.