



CADDIE FAQ

Founded in 1916, Oakland Hills Country Club has and will continue to play a significant role in the history of golf in the United States. Walter Hagen, five-time PGA Champion, was the club's first head professional. The South Course has played host to 18 Major Championships and scheduled to host 7 in the coming decades including, the U.S. Amateur in 2029. Some of the greatest players ever to play the game including, Arnold Palmer, Jack Nicklaus, Gary Player, and Ben Hogan have completed and won on the famed South Course, also known as, "The Monster". The membership is proud of the heritage of their club and consider themselves stewards of a national golf treasure.

GOLF COURSES

Oakland Hills Country Club is home to two Donald Ross designed golf courses, the "North Course" and the "South Course". Both courses feature rolling terrain dotted with landmark trees. The recently restored South Course has been the proud host of numerous acclaimed tournaments including the U.S. Open, the Ryder Cup, and the PGA Championship. Most South Course rounds are walking with the assistance of a caddie. Our North Course, located on the north side of Maple Road, is a shorter yet accuracy demanding layout featuring numerous mature trees and challenging bunkers. The North Course sees a balanced mix of walking and cart use with the assistance of a caddie.



PROCESS

All caddies must register with the Caddie Services Manager at the beginning of each season and purchase the required hat and bib. In early winter, prospective new caddies are invited to express interest in caddying at Oakland Hills Country Club. Selected individuals will receive an invitation to attend an in-person registration and training day, traditionally held in late March. Inexperienced caddies must complete a training course consisting of five three-hour sessions to become eligible to provide caddie services. Training sessions occur throughout the spring and early summer.

SELF EMPLOYMENT

Individuals who provide caddie services are independent contractors, not employees of Oakland Hills.

CADDIE SEASON

The Oakland Hills golf season runs from early April through late October with caddie services offered 7 days a week throughout. For those in school, numerous opportunities to caddie are available on weekends in the spring and fall.

SCHEDULING

Scheduling of loops are facilitated by the Caddie Services Manager and members of the Club through a third-party mobile application with most loops scheduled in advance of the caddie arriving on-site at Oakland Hills.

EARNINGS

The amount a caddie earns is at the discretion of the member or their guest. Typically, is a combination of a traditional amount based on caddie experience plus additional gratuity according to the quality of service provided by the caddie during the round.

AGE

Due to the physical demands of caddying, most caddies begin after completing the 7th grade.

FOOD & BEVERAGE

On most days, a mid round complimentary snack is available to caddies. Water is readily available throughout the property.

COURSE ACCESS

Caddies who complete a minimum number of caddie loops per week will be invited to play complimentary rounds of golf on our North Course on select Monday afternoons.

CELL PHONES

Caddies are required to have a personal mobile device and download the required third-party mobile application for scheduling loops and facilitating payment between members and caddies. Caddies are required to utilize the application during a loop; however, are strictly prohibited from any other use including calls, texting and social media and photography while on the course and practice-range.

PAYMENT

Members of Oakland Hills Country Club are responsible for payment of caddie services via cash or mobile payment service.

CADDIE RANKING

To provide members a standard of expected service, Individuals registered caddies are ranked in five divisions based on levels of experience with consideration given to ability, course knowledge, number of rounds completed, and years of experience.

ATTIRE

Caddies are expected to arrive in good personal hygiene wearing khaki pants or shorts of appropriate length, neutral collared shirt, caddie bib and caddie hat. Sweatshirts may be worn under the caddie bib with outwear jackets over the bib permitted during periods of severe wind or precipitation.

TRANSPORTATION

Caddies may park personal vehicles in designated locations provided by Golf Operations Staff. Those being dropped off must do so at the Club's "North Lot" located at 3894 W Maple Rd. Bike racks are provided on site and a bus stop for the SMART 780 – 15 Mile Crosstown Route is located adjacent to the Club entrance.

PARKING

Caddies with personal vehicles are issued a parking pass which must be always displayed. On-site parking is extremely limited on Oakland Hills property and caddies may be required to park at a nearby designated offsite location and walk to the Club.