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# Guest Policies

## Dress Code

**At Mad River, we govern ourselves by values rather than rules. We respect our fellow members and don't dress or act in ways that will offend them. We respect the golf course and all that goes into its conditioning, so we fill our divots and fix our ball marks. We expect our guests to do the same while they are enjoying the Club.**

## Pace of Play

**We also believe that a steady pace of play is important for the enjoyment of the game. We expect rounds to be completed in 4 hours and 15 minutes or less.**

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Mad River is a multi-faceted golf experience. The course offers a variety of strategic choices and shot variations that demand finesse, patience, attack and composure. Players will find themselves using every shot and club in their arsenal to accommodate the different lengths of each par. Nine of the 18 greens are elevated in varying heights above their fairways, requiring accurate club selection and – inevitably – a creative short game. Despite the relatively small size of the greens, each has a possibility for open pin locations as well as ones that are tucked and tempting.

What makes these challenges enjoyable for members year after year is the unspoiled beauty of the place – the long views over farmland, the roll of the fairways, the play of light and shadow in the early morning and late afternoon. Mad River is also an eminently fair and engaging test of golfing ability. While the course was lengthened in 2012 for the two back tees, the forward tees were moved up on several holes. Mad River now has 13 sets of fully rated and handicapped tees – six for men, five for women and two for juniors – that ensure an enjoyable golfing experience for players of every skill level.

Mad River's extensive practice facilities are located just steps from the first and tenth tees. In addition to a wide driving range and large tee deck, the short-game area is equipped with target flags, an elevated green and practice bunkers that enable members to replicate many of the challenges they face on the course.

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*The GTA AM Tour members would like to express their sincere gratitude to  
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## THE LPS CHAMPIONSHIP

### Mad River Golf Club

Monday, September 30, 2024

#### **NOTICE TO COMPETITORS**

This information supplements the 2024 Local Rules and Terms of Conditions for the GTA AM Tour. The current issue of the Golf Canada Rules of Golf govern play. **Any rules on the host club scorecard do not apply. Penalty for breach of a Local Rule is the general penalty, unless otherwise noted.**

1. **OUT OF BOUNDS (Rule 18.2):** Defined by the line between the course-side points at ground level of white lines, dots or stakes and fence posts defining out of bounds. A ball is out of bounds when it is beyond any wall defining the boundary of the course. A ball coming to rest on or beyond a road defined as Out of Bounds is Out of Bounds, even though it may lie on another part of the Course that is in bounds for other holes.
2. **HOST CLUB DROP ZONES ARE NOT AVAILABLE:** Any Drop Zone available at this event will be indicated by a GTA AM Tour sign.
3. **PENALTY AREAS (Rule 17):** Red and yellow lines define the edge of the penalty area. Where penalty areas are not marked with lines, the change in the height of the grass defines the edge of the penalty area. Where there is no change in the height of the grass, the penalty area is defined by its natural boundaries. Unmarked penalty areas are red penalty areas.

**HOLE #12 NO PLAY ZONE (Rules 17.1e or 16.1f(2)):** The penalty area on the left side marked by red stakes with green tops is a No Play Zone. When a player's ball is in the No Play Zone in the penalty area, the ball must not be played as it lies, and the player must take penalty relief under Rule 17.1d. If the player's ball lies outside the NPZ but there is interference from the NPZ, the player **must** either take relief, if allowed under Rule 16.1b, or take unplayable ball relief under Rule 19.

4. **OBSTRUCTIONS AND GROUND UNDER REPAIR (Rule 16.1 applies):** Any areas of ground under repair will be marked or noted.

**NO PLAY ZONES:** Areas that are ornamental garden beds, turf nurseries or decorative flowerbeds are No Play Zones that are to be treated as Ground Under Repair. Players must proceed under Rule 16.1f.

**PERMANENT FANS** near putting greens may be close to or on a player's line of play. In addition to relief for interference for lie of the ball, stance or area of intended swing, a player whose ball is in such a position **that the fan intervenes on his line of play** may drop the ball, without penalty, not nearer the hole in an area that avoids the intervention on the line of play.

# How To Use This Guide

## Hole #6 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
342	342	331	331	320	320



**Green Depth = 32 yds**

On the left side of the page, you will see the hole number and par. The square image shows the green complex (aligned to the 150-yard marker) with the pin location for the event.

The green depth is also shown. A yellow arrow indicates the direction to the next tee (leave your clubs here when walking).

This box provides pro tips and general information about the hole.

On the right side, the yardages for each flight are shown. The hole image indicates distances from spots in the teeing ground ●○● to various locations in the landing area ●○. The distance text is colour coded to match the teeing ground spots. The actual tee marker positions will vary, but differences can be quickly paced off or estimated. Standard 100 ●, 150 ○, 200 ●, and 250 ○ yard markers may also be shown.





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## Hole #1 (Par 5)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
533	499	499	499	455	455



**Green Depth = 28 yds (+1)**

### Welcome to Mad River!

**While the large pond beside the tee is not in play, the fairway slopes away sharply on the right to a grove of trees. The second shot presents a strategic choice. Clear the rolls in the fairway but chance reaching two unseen bunkers short of the green or lay back to full wedge distance and navigate uneven terrain in the landing area. The green is completely open on the left but is divided by a nose flowing from the large landform right of the green. The nose forms three distinct pin locations and challenges the player's putting skills if they are on the wrong level.**



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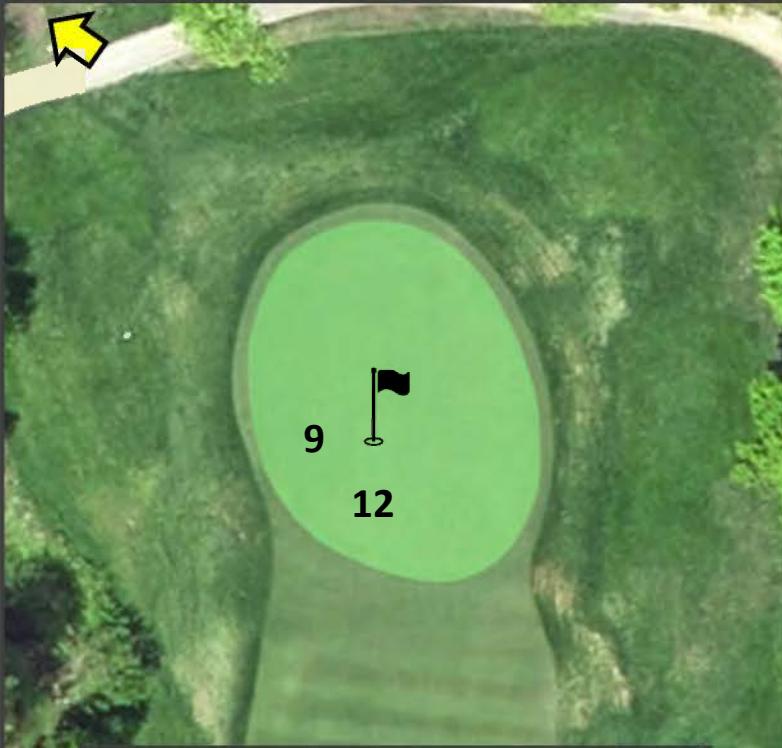


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## Hole #2 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
414	414	396	396	396	396



**Green Depth = 27 yds (-2)**

**The 2nd is a medium-length Par 4 with several bunkers on the right side of the landing area, though with plenty of room to the left. Challenging the bunkers with a drive to the left side of the fairway offers a shorter approach to a relatively shallow green with a moderate false front. Opting for the safe drive short of the bunkers leaves a much longer shot to the green. The longer approach will likely require a shot that bounces into the upslope and onto the green. Long shots collect to a tightly mown chipping area off the back of the green. Putts are relatively uncomplicated.**



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## Hole #3 (Par 3)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
181	169	155	155	155	155



**Green Depth = 28 yds (-6)**

**The first of Mad River's five Par 3s was completely redesigned in 2012.**

**Lengthened for the back tees, the hole now plays slightly downhill, with an open vista to farmland beyond. A single bunker protects a back right pin while a small stream traverses the entire front of the green.**

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## Hole #4 (Par 5)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
547	524	472	472	472	472



**Green Depth = 30 yds (-9)**

**The second Par 5 on the front is Mad River's number one stroke hole. A double dogleg that is framed by thick woods for most of its length and a large pond that guards the left side of the fairway from the back tee. Past the pond, the fairway widens considerably to the left, which is the preferred position from which to play the second shot. The landing area for the player's second narrows to 35 yards, with steep, rough-covered slopes along the right side and trees lining the left. The best approach is from the left side of the fairway to a relatively small green that slopes from front to back.**



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## Hole #5 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
382	382	341	341	341	341



**Green Depth = 36 yds (+1)**

**The fifth is a medium-length Par 4 that is deceptively straightforward. The tee shot must navigate out of a deep slot of dense woods left and right to a generous landing area protected by a large maple, which shadows the right side of the fairway.**

**The hole shows no bunkers, but rather a series of mounds and slopes down the left side that extend through the length of the green. The deep, narrow green is elevated above the fairway with the front right protected by a steep-sloped grass bunker. Swirling breezes, requiring precise club selection for the approach to a front pin. The tree-tops are key to see the wind direction.**



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## Hole #6 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
280	261	242	242	242	242



**Green Depth = 21 yds (+2)**

**Sometimes called the shortest Par 5 in golf, the Par 4 6th at Mad River is a classic risk-reward proposition. The player choosing to play a mid iron and full wedge will have to negotiate the rippling lies that cross the wide landing area. Long hitters going for the green must contend with a stand of tall maples impinging into the right side of the fairway and a bunker of some 60 yards in length on the left side. Par or better is protected by the smallest green on the course, which is elevated above the fairway, slopes away from the shot, and has a large false front. Approaches that end up short or right of the green will require deft pitches to get up and down. Good Luck!**



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## Hole #7 (Par 3)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
133	133	120	120	120	120



**Green Depth = 22 yds (-1)**

**The shortest Par 3 on the course is also one of Mad River's most exciting. Wind is almost always a factor. The player is presented with a deep green and a sloped right side that will kick the slightly offline shot down onto the putting surface. A left pin, however, presents a very challenging target. A false edge wraps from the front-left of the green around to the back, giving the shot a margin of error of about ten feet. Depending on where their tee shots come to rest, players that do not find the putting surface will need a sound short game to make par.**



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## Hole #8 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
393	368	368	368	348	348



**Green Depth = 24 yds (-6)**



**The tee shot on 8th comes out of a chute of pines with a beautiful view. To find the best angle to the green, players must challenge a bunker and grassy hollow in the landing area on the right. The approach plays downhill to a green that is bounded tightly on the right side by steep drop-off to a small pond. Mounds and swales and a hardwood forest protect the left side. A steep nose from the middle left of the green bisects the putting surface, with the higher level at the front and the lower back portion falling away into a tightly mown collection area. A back right pin presents perhaps the most treacherous approach on the course.**



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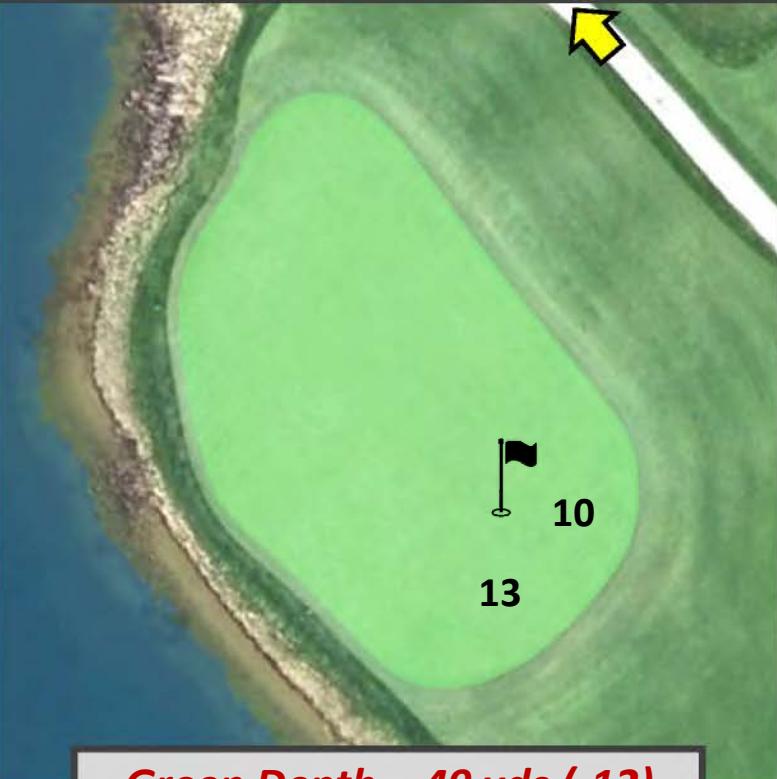


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## Hole #9 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
429	398	398	398	357	357



**Green Depth = 49 yds (-12)**

**The 9th requires a long drive favouring the right side of the fairway. Even ideally placed, the second shot requires precise club selection and, depending on wind direction and pin position, no small amount of courage in carrying the pond. The putting surface - the largest on the course at nearly 14,000 sq ft - is divided into numerous pin positions by a series of small, almost imperceptible mounds and by noses that extend onto the green from the right side. Along the pond, falloffs and a deep swale add to the challenge of a back left pin position. When putting or chipping, these features can make for some very long and complex rolls.**



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## Hole #10 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
342	310	310	310	292	292



**Green Depth = 30 yds (+1)**

**The tee shot on the short 10th is played to a generous landing area. If club selection is too conservative, the player will have to negotiate a series of uneven lies from ridges that cross the fairway. The ideal approach to the elevated green is from the right side of the fairway. Shots hit left out of fear of the hazard that lines the right side and crosses in front of the green may be blocked out by a stand of tall poplars short and left of the green. An unseen bunker lies at the back of the putting surface. A false edge wraps from the front of the green around the entire left side and will carry the errant shot down a steep slope into heavy rough. The green itself is uncomplicated.**



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## Hole #11 (Par 3)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
177	156	156	156	135	135



**Green Depth = 31 yds (-1)**

**The 11th is one of three Par 3s with a water hazard. Pin positions on the right half of the green will require a long carry over the pond to a large green, while those on the left allow the shot to be bounced onto the green.**

**The green itself is surrounded by moderate rough-covered slopes and swales. The putting surface appears relatively flat but is in fact divided by several subtle variations that add challenge to most pin positions.**



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## Hole #12 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
420	378	364	364	330	330



**Green Depth = 31 yds (-3)**

**Mad River's 12th is among the most challenging holes on the course. Tall pines and a rough-covered hillside line the right side of the landing area. The left side of the fairway is punctuated by three long but randomly spaced bunkers, while to the far left, you will find the water hazards and wetlands that line the entire left side. The bold tee shot is to the left side, where the fairway is flattest. The mid-to-long-iron approach requires great precision to hit and hold the elevated green. While generous in size, the green presents the player with large cutouts front left and right, and back left, that will gather the mishit shot down a steep slope into thick rough.**





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## Hole #13 (Par 5)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
476	476	455	455	455	455



**Green Depth = 25 yds (+3)**

**Hole #13 is a relatively short Par 5 that presents the golfer with various strategic options. The tee shot requires a long carry over wetlands. Getting home in two demands another long carry to a plateau green that sits nearly 50 feet above the lower fairway. Too short, and the ball will find one of the deep bunkers that lie a dozen feet below the putting surface. Too long, and the player will face an unnerving bunker shot or pitch to a narrow green that slopes away from the shot. A well-placed mid-iron second shot to the left will demand a precise wedge approach to the elevated green. The longer uphill shot to the right opens the entire length of the green for the third.**



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## Hole #14 (Par 3)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
166	166	160	166	166	166



**Green Depth = 43 yds (+9)**

Surrounded by dense mixed forest some 60 feet above the green, the view from the 14th tee offers a beautiful vista and, depending on the wind, a daunting prospect. Forest lines the right side, while on the left and over the back the green falls off sharply to deep rough and then to a pond. A large false edge at the left front corner of the green gathers balls down into a depression well below the putting surface. While the 14th offers one of the largest greens on the course, it is also relatively simple to navigate. Find this green and birdie is a great possibility!

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## Hole #15 (Par 5)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
514	514	478	478	440	440



**Green Depth = 17 yds (+1)**

**The 15th at Mad River plays straight uphill, with pine forests lining both sides. A large maple guards the left side of the generous fairway in the landing area. A right pin should be approached from the left side and visa-versa while both bring into play a complex of bunkers. Shots may be bounced onto the left or right side of the green, taking care to avoid a deep grass bunker that lies centre-front. Approaches should take into account a very shallow green, some 20 feet of elevation change and swirling winds. A miss left, which is backstopped by the hillside, is always preferable to a miss right, which will require a very difficult pitch. Perched on a hillside, the green can be difficult to read.**



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## Hole #16 (Par 3)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
193	193	167	167	167	167



**Green Depth = 26 yds (-2)**

**Newly lengthened to 245 yards from the back, the 16th is a truly heroic Par 3. The green is framed by slopes and woods lining the left and back. The right is protected by a small pond, then by a series of bunkers lying well below the green surface. The green itself is divided by a large nose entering the putting surface from a large slope back left, which presents a very difficult putt to the player on the wrong side of the slope. A shot that ends in the vicinity of a back right pin is a cause for celebration from any tee.**



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## Hole #17 (Par 5)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
581	550	550	550	490	490



**Green Depth = 23 yds (+2)**

**Mad River's 17th is breathtaking, long Par 5 falling 74 feet to its lowest point.**

**The mid to long-iron second shot gradually slopes downhill towards the dogleg corner, bringing the large pond on the right into play. The golfer is left with a short iron or wedge from the ideal landing area to a small elevated green. The bunker front right is well below the putting surface, and any ball further offline will find the pond. If not precise, shots favouring the left side will settle on a steep slope, with hummocks and depressions covered in deep rough. Even the accurately placed shot must deal with a green that slopes from front to back, and left to right, then falls off sharply to deep rough along its back and right sides.**



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## Hole #18 (Par 4)

CH	A	B	ONS	C	R
430	430	344	344	344	344



**Green Depth = 28 yds (+6)**

**The 18th hole is the strong finish Mad River deserves. The hole plays slightly uphill with a gentle turn to the right, then downhill to the green from the landing area. The ideal tee shot moves left to right to work the ball in concert with the slope of the fairway and shorten the distance to the green. Large pines line the entire right side of the hole. The green is protected by a single bunker as well as a very deep but unseen grass swale on the left. The green is long and narrow, with a subtle front ledge that falls away to the back of the green.**

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