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**YOUR FAMILY**  
THROUGH GOLF



In sports, your  
team is your family.  
With **PGA FAMILY CUP**,  
your family is your team.

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# INTRODUCTION

The PGA of America is thrilled to introduce a new team-based initiative called the PGA Family Cup. In 2020, we are seeking to pilot this program with a few dozen PGA Professionals and try a variety of programming options to learn from Members and consumers what works best. By agreeing to be a pilot site, you will play a central and critical role in developing this exciting new initiative for the PGA of America!

## WHY PGA FAMILY CUP?

The **PGA FAMILY CUP** is designed to bring families together in a way that strengthens relationships, creates lifelong golfers and builds vibrant communities around the PGA Professional.

Put simply, family members of all ages can stay connected and enjoy time on the course together as a team. Everyone plays, and everyone contributes!

## VISION

Golf has the opportunity to be **THE** family sport as multiple generations of families and friends are able to learn, play, and enjoy the game together. The **PGA FAMILY CUP** exists to transform communities by bringing families together around this great sport, and we imagine a future with numerous opportunities for families to participate - including local, Section, and national events. The most important component of the initiative is the local programs, and we believe the positive impact it can have at facilities across the country is significant.

## TEAM COMPOSITION

- 2-6 players per team
- 2-player teams must have one adult and one junior playing at all times, with the option of a family having up to two teams. If a family chooses to have two separate teams, they may pick the best score of the two teams on each hole.
- Composition options are as follows:
- 4 players: Family may play as one team, utilizing 2 substitutes OR family may split into two 2-player teams, taking the best score on each hole
- 5 players: Family may play as one team, utilizing 3 substitutes OR family may split into two 2-player teams (with 1 substitute), taking the best score on each hole
- 6 players: Family may play as one team, utilizing 4 substitutes OR family may split into two 2-player teams (with 2 substitutes), taking the best score on each hole
- **NOTE:** If a family does choose to have two 2-player teams, there still must always be one adult and one junior on each team
- Substitutions may be made every 3 holes
- Host PGA Professionals are encouraged to structure the playing groups/pairings as it fits best with the facility and the team compositions. (I.e: families playing with other families versus families playing on their own)

# PGA FAMILY CUP STANDARDS

## WHAT'S INCLUDED?

We are excited to announce that each team kit will include the following gifts:

- 2 hats
- 2 bag tags
- 2 ball marks
- 1 picture frame

Each registered facility will receive three awards to hand out to the winning teams.

These awards will include 1st place, 2nd place and 3rd place.

## WHAT'S THE COST FOR MY FACILITY TO PARTICIPATE?

The PGA of America will retain \$35 per team during the checkout process of team registration.

## WHAT ARE THE EXPECTATIONS?

You can expect the PGA of America to provide: support, team gifts, awards, marketing support, website and registration.

The PGA of America asks that you complete the pre-registration questionnaire, as well as collect and provide feedback during and following your events. A formal feedback questionnaire will be shared prior to the start of the season. Remember, your input will impact how this program is developed and introduced nationwide.

## FORMAT

2-player scramble where both players on a team hit drives. The best shot is selected, and each player plays from the selected spot. This process continues until the ball is holed.

## SCORING

Stroke Play.

## DIVISIONS

There will be one division that encompasses all age groups in 2020, the pilot year. The PGA Family Cup will review the age divisions for 2021.

## RULES

**PGA FAMILY CUP** will utilize similar rules and Conditions of Play as **PGA JR. LEAGUE**, with a focus on FUN and learning the game! Each facility will receive a copy of the Conditions of Play to provide to your participants.

## GOLF COURSE SET-UP

PGA Family Cup exists to be fun, social, and inclusive for all. By shortening your golf course into “Par 3 yardages” you create a welcoming environment for all levels of golfers. Our recommendations for appropriate course set-up are below:

- All participants may play from a single set of tees
- Utilize your forward teeing area for your current Par 3's, and a designated spot in the fairway on your Par 4's and 5's
- The yardage for each hole should be kept between 75-150 yards

The PGA of America suggests creating a Family Cup that best suits the participants at each respective facility. The below options are recommended best practices, but host sites are encouraged and permitted to test any additional ideas as long as the PGA of America is notified prior to the pilot and provided with extensive feedback after the pilot.

# PGA FAMILY CUP PILOT OPTIONS

## EVENT OPTIONS

**OPTION A:** Family Cup Series (3 or more events)

**OPTION B:** Singular 18-hole event

**OPTION C:** Singular 9-hole event

**NOTE:** In 2021, PGA Family Cup will be rolled out as a series of events/league format. We do, however, encourage and support facilities in 2020 who would like to test the concept as a singular event to get started.