



**Leachman Buick &
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Golf Postseason Information
2007-08**

**2007-08 KHSAA
Rule for Coaches Giving Advice
During Golf Competition**

Note to USGA Rule 8: The Committee may, in the conditions of a team competition (Rule 33-1), permit each team to appoint one person, the high school coach, who may give advice to members of that team. The Committee may lay down conditions relating to the appointment and permitted conduct of such person, who must be identified to the Committee before giving advice.

Advice: A player may accept verbal advice from their institution's designated high school head coach only. All other institutional representatives, including assistant coaches, are considered spectators. Spectators must remain a minimum of 30 yards from the players at all times.

A designated coach is deemed to be part of the team and not an outside agency. **Before each day's play, the head coach giving advice shall be identified to the Rules Committee by signing in and shall receive and wear the appropriate credential (to be returned to the Committee upon the completion of each round).**

Advice must be given in a private manner that will not disrupt play. Coaches may give advice prior to the beginning of any stipulated round, the time between the end of one hole and the start of the next (before the ball is put in play from the teeing ground), and between rounds if more than one round is to be played on the same day. Once the player's ball is in play (the first stroke from the teeing ground), coaches may not give advice, and should remain a minimum of 20 yards from the player (unless assisting the player to look for a ball), until the hole has been completed.

Coaches may not give to or receive advice from another team's players or coaches. If a coach is found to be in violation of the advice rule (e.g. disruption of play or use of more than one designated coach) a two stroke penalty will be assessed against each individual player receiving the illegal advice. Each additional violation against a coach will also result in an additional two stroke penalty against the overall team score. Spectators should be no closer than 30 yards from a player at any time and at no time should spectators be on the green, tee, in a fairway, bunker, or hazard, nor should they ever stand behind a player during his/her swing.

NOTE: The high school head coach signing in at the 2007-08 KHSAA Golf Rules Clinics (and as noted on the KHSAA Rules Clinic Sign-In Book) will be the individual identified for all levels of post season play as the only coach allowable, under the "Advice Rule", to converse with players from that high school team.

Any change in the identity of that coaching individual MUST come through official notification from the high school Principal or Athletic Director. Any designated head coach must meet the KHSAA coaching qualification requirements.