

SPOTTER POLICY

Thank you for volunteering to serve as a spotter. The safety of the spotter is of the greatest concern to the CSRA WGA. The CSRAWGA Tournament Chair and the Local Chair will suggest the best location on your assigned hole. This position will allow you to view the shots and keep you safe.

A spotter is responsible for watching balls and locating them for the players. Please do not touch or move balls. Do not offer advice or make Rulings. Small flags are sometimes used to mark a ball that is off the fairway. If flags are used they should be placed two feet or more away from the ball. After placing the flag near the ball, step away so that the player can execute her shot.



Know where the nearest shelters are in case of lightning or storms and advise players of this location when necessary. Seek shelter immediately for yourself in case of severe weather.

HAND SIGNALS-

The following signals are used to notify players of the status of their golf balls.

Safe



Crossed arm safe signal commonly used in baseball. This indicates that you can see the ball and it is in bounds. (Stand upright and extend both arms straight out in front of the body about chest high. Sweep both arms apart, still extended, to the side of the body. Return arms to front of body and repeat action.)

Out of Bounds

Arms are overhead and point in the direction of the out of bounds. This indicates that the ball is definitely out of bounds. If there is ANY doubt whether the ball is out of bounds, outstretch palms and shrug shoulders to indicate uncertainty.



Unsure of location

Outstretch palms and shrug shoulders to indicate uncertainty.



Landing Area



To Signal landing area is NOT clear, stand facing players with both arms straight up over head.

When landing area clears, wave players on.

Water Hazard

If you are spotting at a water hazard, determine whether the ball went into the hazard and where it LAST crossed the margin of the hazard. This gives the player the reference point for taking relief.

Do not offer any advice or attempt to make any rulings. Only Rules Officials are authorized to make rulings.