## Francis Ouimet/ Mass Golf Caddy Program – Caddie Regulations

- 1. Caddies may not use, share, or attempt to use or share information which is not otherwise already made public regarding the course or course set up.
- 2. Caddies are expected to present a neat appearance.
- 3. Caddies may wear shorts or pants. A collared shirt is required. Cut-offs, short shorts, gym shorts, denim shorts or pants and T-shirts, will not be permitted.
- 4. After raking a bunker, the rake is to be placed lying down outside of the bunker in an area where it is least likely to affect play.
- 5. Hole location sheets will be provided for each qualifier/championship, which can be found at your starting tee.

## **General Rules Information for Caddies**

<u>General – If your action breaches a Rule or would breach a Rule if the action was taken by your player,</u> your player gets the penalty under that Rule. This document is provided to you only to serve as a general reminder of some common Rules that you should be aware of

<u>Clubs (Rules 4.1b(1))</u> – Your player may not start a round with more than 14 clubs or have more than 14 clubs during a round.

<u>Distance Measuring Devices (Rule 4.3a(1))-</u> If you use a prohibited function on a distance measuring device during a round (such as measuring elevation changes), your player is in breach of Rule 4.3 and gets the general penalty.

<u>Pace of Play (Rule 5.6)</u> – A round of golf is meant to be played at a prompt pace. You should recognize that your actions as a caddie are likely to affect how long it will take your player to play their round, including both those in your player's own group and those in following groups.

Advice (Rule 10.2a) – You may give advice to your player only.

<u>Restriction on Caddie Standing Behind Player (Rule 10.2b)</u> – You should not position yourself in a location on or close to the line of play behind your player's ball for any reason once your player begins to take his or her stance for the stroke to be made.

<u>Bunkers (Rule 12.2b)</u> – You should not touch sand or soil in any bunker until your player has played from the bunker and the ball has come to rest outside the bunker.

<u>Putting Green (Rule 13.1)</u> – When pointing out the line for your player, you may touch the putting green, but you may not set any object down when doing so.

<u>Lifting the Ball (Rule 14.1)</u> – You may lift your player's ball without your player's specific permission on the putting green only, but the ball's spot but be marked before it is lifted. You are not allowed to lift another player's ball or ball marker without that player's authority

When Ball is Lost or Out of Bounds (Rule 18.2a(1)) – You may assist any players in searching for their ball. A ball is lost if not found in three minutes after the players, or his or her caddie begins to search for it.