

# CHEVY CHASE CLUB Electronic Device Policy

To preserve the character and social nature of Chevy Chase Club, the discreet use of cell phones or any other electronic devices is governed by the following policies. Violations of these policies disrupt the quiet enjoyment of the Club and are subject to disciplinary action. Members are responsible for their own adherence to these policies and for the behavior of their family and guests.

### Voice & Non-Voice Communication

The use of cell phones or any other electronic devices for voice (taking or making calls) and non-voice communication (texting or emailing) is permitted only as follows:

- In the privacy of an enclosed automobile
- In the guest rooms of The Bradley House
- In the phone booths and locker rooms on the first and second floors of the Clubhouse
- While seated by a designated house phone in certain other areas of the Club
- *Solely for the purpose of coordinating transportation arrangements:* Outside the front doors of the Clubhouse, Winter Center, Indoor Tennis Center and the pool entrance

Electronic devices must be in silent mode at all times while on Club property.

# Other Uses of Electronic Devices

The use of cell phones or any other electronic devices for listening to music with headphones or e-reading is permitted in a quiet and non-disruptive manner as follows:

- In the adirondack chairs
- In the Fitness Center
- In the pool area
- In the lower level of the Winter Center
- On the Nature Trail
- At the golf practice areas

#### LAPTOPS

The use of laptop computers is prohibited, except by children for homework purposes on the Lower Level of the Winter Center in the area(s) designated by staff during the ice skating season. Laptops must be used in a quiet and non-disruptive manner.

# **Photography Policy**

Taking and displaying photographs and videos in silent mode is permitted at the Club in public spaces, if done in a quiet and non-disruptive manner. Locker rooms are defined as private spaces and photography or videography is not permitted therein.

To protect the privacy of members while on Club premises, and to prevent unwitting exploitation of the members or Club facilities for commercial uses, the Club has a longstanding policy against photography or videography for use in the press or other commercial or promotional communications. An exception to this prohibition is for photography or videography taken during athletic events, tournaments or exhibitions open to non-Club competition or non-Club performers.

Members may take photographs or videos of their family and their guests on the Club grounds for their own personal use, such as for a wedding or other social event where the desire is to use the pictures as a matter of family record with the same degree of privacy expected in a member's home.

### News & Media Policy

It is a longstanding custom of Chevy Chase Club that activities of members while using the Club should present the lowest possible profile to the media or other channels of publicity. Members of the media or public may on occasion approach the Club for access to the grounds or for information that could result in publicity. The recipient of any such request should refer it to the General Manager or Club President.

#### Social Media Policy

The Board recognizes that members may participate in or contribute to personal blogs, message boards, conversation pages and other forms of social media and may periodically post information about their Club activities on these outlets. When doing so, members must safeguard the privacy that other members expect and deserve related to their activities at the Club. Members shall not post photographs or videos of other Club members or narratives describing the activities of other members without their prior consent. In addition, members shall not post any item that suggests or implies that they are communicating in any official capacity on behalf of the Club.

The Club's private Facebook Page is only accessible to Club members and all content is only intended to be shared internally.

#### Policy Enforcement

As with all policies, the staff of the Club is charged by the Board with serving as the first line of enforcement. Committee members and Board members are also encouraged to bring violations of policy to the attention of the offender or to the attention of management so that it may be addressed in the moment. Staff are encouraged to remind members who are in non-compliance with the appropriate policy in a respectful manner avoiding, whenever possible, embarrassing a member or their guests. In the event staff encounters resistance from a member or guest, the staff member should report the member to the General Manager's office. When necessary, the relevant Committee Chair or Board may initiate further disciplinary action.