



Par Certification Requirements

Participant must complete at least 36 hours of Par level programming to be eligible to complete the certification process. Participants who have been enrolled in Par level classes prior to 2015 will receive 15 hours for each season enrolled. Beginning in 2015, participants will be credited the number of hours attended each season.

The participant must be able to complete the golf skills and the written portion of the certification exam as well as complete all exercises in the PAR Yardage Book to become Par certified. The written part of the exam must be passed with a grade of 80% or higher.

Skills Exam: PAR participants may attempt each skill test no more than 2 times in any one certification day.

Fairways Hit:	Hit at least 2 of 6 with 40-yard-wide fairway at 50 yards minimum distance
Up and Down:	Complete a 3-hole up and down chipping or pitching course in a maximum of 12 strokes
Putting:	putt a 9-hole course in 27 strokes or less
Pace of Play:	Must be able to demonstrate appropriate pace of play, knowledge of rules and etiquette during playing classes
Play requirement:	Play Days within the session of classes will satisfy this requirement.

Written Exam: PAR participants may attempt written test no more than 2 times in any one certification day. (Two versions of the test will be used.) The following 7 points are topics covered on the written exam in multiple choice, true/false and fill in the blank questions.

1. Identify The First Tee Nine Core Values taught throughout the season
2. Know The First Tee Code of Conduct
3. Have a basic understanding of The Rules of Golf
4. Know what the USGA and R&A stand for
5. Understand Personal Par, GAME, The 4R's, A-L-R and 3 Tips for Having Fun
6. The importance of club selections and the functions of each
7. The difference between match and stroke play
8. Be able to identify hazards throughout a golf course and how to take relief from them

Yardage Book:

1. Complete all the exercises in the PAR yardage book and turn in to The First Tee staff on the day of certification testing. (Must be completed prior to certification)