1. **GENERAL**
   1. All players must pre-register on the Club’s On-line Booking system.
   2. All members must carry and display their current membership disc, failing which, they may be asked to leave the golf course.
   3. All players must have their own bag of clubs unless allowed for under the rules of the competition.
   4. Players are responsible for keeping the golf course neat and tidy by using the litter bins provided. Should a bin not be available players must remove litter from the course and its environs.
   5. The ‘Etiquette’ Section of the Rules of Golf must be adhered to at all times.
   6. Players must replace divots and repair pitch marks on the greens.
   7. Members are requested not to approach Council members with any Club business comments when he/she is playing on the course. Any comments should be routed through the Club Manager.
   8. No headphones or earbuds shall be used on the course or practice area.
2. **GUESTS**
   1. Members must sign in their guests and ensure that the appropriate visitor(s) fee is paid prior to commencing play. No more than three guests are permitted.
   2. Members must accompany their guest(s) at all times whilst on the golf course unless authorised by Council or the Club Manager.
   3. An individual guest cannot be signed in more than three times in any calendar month.
3. **PRIORITY ON THE COURSE**
   1. Players in an official club competition (listed in the Fixture Card) have the right of way over all other players.
   2. County Team events have priority over all other matches.
   3. Players approaching the 8th /17th green must give way to players on the 9th /18th tee.
4. **TIMES OF PLAY**
   1. Junior members with a WHS Handicap Index may play at any time. Junior Members without a Handicap Index may only play with an adult or without supervision only at the discretion of the Handicap or Junior Convenor.
   2. Restricted Members are eligible to play anytime Monday through Friday.Weekend play is not permitted at any time.
   3. Medal play is not permissible prior to 6.55 a.m. on Full Adult (Gentlemen) competition days unless allowed for under the rules of a competition.
   4. Visitors and Guests of Members cannot be introduced on Gentlemen competition days until the after the last tee time but are allowed to play on Sweepstake days or Ladies competition days but must give way at all times to players taking part in those events.
   5. Junior Members cannot commence play prior to 3pm on Full Adult (Gentlemen) competition days unless authorised to do so by the Council.
   6. Four-ball play is not permitted in Full Adult (Gentlemen) competitions unless authorised by the Handicap Committee.
   7. The course will be closed to everyone, other than competitors, for the duration of a shotgun competition. Play is permitted before and after the competition.
5. **TEES**
   1. Players must use the appropriate tees as follows;

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| **Category** | **Casual Play Tee** | **Competition Play Tee** |
| Gents | Yellow | White/Yellow |
| Ladies & Junior (Female) | Red | Red |
| Junior (Male) | Yellow | Yellow |
| Mini Juniors | Blue markers | Blue Markers |

1. **CLUBHOUSE**
   1. Articles or equipment belonging to the Golf Club should not be removed from the Clubhouse without prior authority.
   2. All members must leave the Clubhouse and the car park neat and tidy and deposit litter in the bins provided.
   3. All members must ensure that the Clubhouse windows and doors are securely fastened and heating is switched off when leaving the building.
2. **PRACTICE**
   1. Practice on the course is not permissible at any time except when allowed under the Rules of Golf or during Club coaching events.
   2. Players must not have more than one ball in play during a round except when allowed by the Rules of Golf.
   3. The practice area is available for all members even if their category does not allow play on the course. When the latter is applicable, they must give way to other members as necessary.
   4. When the course is closed the practice areas are also closed.
3. **DRESS** 
   1. Players must be reasonably presented at all times.
   2. Specific requirements are as follows:

* The torso must be covered at all times
* Appropriate golfing footwear must be worn
* Non-golfing sporting attire, such as football strips, are not permitted.

1. **DOG POLICY**
   1. Well-behaved dogs are allowed on the golf course, but must be on a lead at all times. Owners are responsible for removing any mess and keeping their dogs under control, away from other animals or from disturbing players.
2. **NON-COMPLIANCE**
   1. Failure to adhere to the Rules of Golf, Club Constitution, Byelaws, Local Rules and the rules of etiquette risks suspension of membership.
3. **OUT OF BOUNDS**  
   A ball is deemed out of bounds when;
   1. The whole ball comes to rest over any fence bounding the course. The line of the fence is extended vertically upwards and downwards.
   2. In playing a stroke from the 2nd/11th hole, the whole ball comes to rest beyond the course-side edge of the staked white marker posts located to the right of the fairway. The out of boundslimits are marked at the beginning and end by black and white marker posts.
   3. The whole ball comes to rest beyond the course-side edge of the Clubhouse paved area dictated by white line and marker posts.
   4. The whole ball comes to rest beyond the course-side edge of the staked white marker posts on the practice area to the right of the 1st/10th hole.
   5. The whole ball comes to rest beyond the course-side edge of the staked white marker posts on the practice area to the right of the 4th/13th hole.
4. **ABNORMAL GROUND CONDITIONS** - Relief from Ground Under repair (GUR) may be taken under Rules of Golf, Rule 16.1  
   Is any area marked as follows;
   1. Circles with white paint
   2. Tractor marks
   3. Any area not covered by the above that is direct consequence of ongoing course construction/improvements.
5. **IMMOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS** - Relief may be taken under Rules of Golf, Rule 16.1
   1. All staked trees.
   2. The Bridge crossing the ditch to the right of the 8th/17th fairway.
   3. Any vehicle parked within the boundaries of the course.
   4. Any machinery left unattended within the boundaries of the course.
   5. Any fencing that does not dictate the boundaries of the course or Out of Bounds.
   6. The water tank and surrounding pebbles to the right of the 8th/17th tee.
   7. Fixed sprinkler heads and covers.
   8. Any marker post which cannot be moved without using excessive force.
6. **MOVABLE OBSTRUCTIONS** - Relief may be taken under Rules of Golf, Rule 15.2a
   1. Any chain link fences surrounding tees
   2. The white out of bounds posts located between the 2nd/11th and 3rd/12th holes whilst playing the 3rd/12th holes.
   3. Bunker rakes.
   4. Stones, sticks, twigs etc.
   5. Loose impediments not adhered to the ball.
   6. Sprinklers and hoses.
7. **PREFERRED LIES** – shall apply between 1st October & 30th April OR when the Council deems that ‘Temporary Abnormal Conditions’ exist. The following rules apply;
   1. A ball lying on a closely-mown area through the green may be lifted without penalty and cleaned.
   2. Before lifting the ball, the player must mark its position. Having lifted the ball, he must place it on a spot within six inches of and not nearer the hole than where it originally lay.