

# **HILLINGDON GOLF CLUB – RULES**

**September 2010**

**These Rules may be altered or relaxed  
only at the discretion of the Committee.  
The responsibility to observe these rules rests with  
every member, guest and visitor of the club.**

## **DRESS AND CONDUCT**

### **General**

Members, their guests, visitors and green fee players are expected to wear clean, smart and appropriate clothing and to conduct themselves in a respectable manner at all times and to comply with the spirit, as well as the letter, of this code which shall apply to all parts of Hillingdon Golf Club.

Staff have been instructed not to serve, or issue a green fee ticket, to any person whose dress or demeanour contravenes this code and non-compliance by a member or a member's guest may result in disciplinary action by the Committee.

### **Dress Code**

- For authorised Private Functions there will be no dress restrictions.
- When attending a Club Function members and their guests are expected to observe the dress code of each individual event.
- All players are expected to maintain an acceptable standard of personal hygiene and shall change out of their damp or soiled golf clothes before entering the bar/lounge.

### **Golf Course Dress Code**

| <b>GENTLEMEN</b>   | <b>LADIES</b>  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recognised golf shoes must be worn</li><li>• Short sport socks are permitted provided they are predominantly white.</li><li>• Trousers of a full length and shorts must be tailored with belt loops.</li><li>• No blue denim jeans</li><li>• Shirts must be an approved golf shirt.</li><li>• New style round/crew neck golf shirts are acceptable.</li><li>• Collarless, sleeveless or T-shirts are not acceptable.</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Recognised golf shoes must be worn</li><li>• Short sport socks are permitted provided they are predominantly white.</li><li>• No blue denim jeans</li><li>• Sleeveless shirts can be worn with a collar.</li><li>• Collarless shirts must have sleeves</li><li>• Printed T-shirts are not acceptable</li></ul> |

### Clubhouse Dress Code

| GENTLEMEN   | LADIES   |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Smart and clean shoes/trainers/sandals must be worn</li><li>• Flip flops are only permitted in the changing rooms</li><li>• Golf shoes of any description are not allowed in the bar/lounge</li><li>• Trousers of a full length and shorts must be tailored with belt loops.</li><li>• No blue denim jeans</li><li>• All shirts must have a collar and sleeves although new style round/crew neck golf shirts are acceptable.</li><li>• Approved golfing shirts are welcome other sporting shirts are not acceptable</li><li>• Hats of any description are not to be worn in the bar/lounge</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Smart and clean shoes/trainers/sandals must be worn</li><li>• Flip flops are only permitted in the changing rooms</li><li>• Golf shoes of any description are not allowed in the bar/lounge</li><li>• No blue denim jeans</li><li>• Sleeveless shirts can be worn with a collar.</li><li>• Collarless shirts must have sleeves</li><li>• Printed T-shirts are not acceptable</li><li>• Approved golfing shirts are welcome other sporting shirts are not acceptable</li><li>• Hats of any description are not to be worn in the bar/lounge</li></ul> |

**This is not intended to be a comprehensive list.  
If you are in any doubt then seek clarification before the event  
from the Professional/General Manager.**

#### Conduct

All persons are expected to maintain a proper standard of behaviour at all times. Discrimination of any kind or foul language will not be tolerated in any part of Hillingdon Golf Club.

#### Phones

- Mobile phones may be used “**DISCREETLY**” within the confines of the lobby, car park or changing rooms.
- **At all times mobile phones are to be placed in the silent/vibrate mode, incoming calls can be answered, with the conversation continuing in the lobby, car park or changing rooms.**
- Outgoing calls may be made from the lobby, car park or changing rooms without causing nuisance to golfers, members, guests or visitors.
- Mobile phones are not to be used to receive incoming calls or make outgoing calls on any part of the golf course without the express permission of the Captain or Professional/General Manager, except in an emergency.

## **PAYMENT OF ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS**

The Annual Subscription for Membership of the club shall be determined by the Committee in respect of each class of Membership.

Notification of any increase in the subscription shall be given to the Members of the club not later than the first day of March in any year.

Subscriptions shall be paid within one month after the beginning of the financial year (1<sup>st</sup> April). No Member shall play the golf course after the 31<sup>st</sup> March unless their annual subscription has been paid. Any Member whose subscription is unpaid at the expiration of one calendar month after it shall have become due shall, if the Committee so resolve, cease to be a Member.

The Committee shall have the power to remit or reduce any of the annual subscriptions in special cases where, in their opinion, there is good reason for doing so.

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| Membership Quotas: | Seven Day Playing Members          | 180 |                     |
|                    | Five Day Playing Members           | 75  |                     |
|                    | * Senior Members                   | 25  | Category now closed |
|                    | Lady Playing Members               | 50  |                     |
|                    | * Senior Lady Members              | 10  | Category now closed |
|                    | Intermediate/Junior Members        | 35  |                     |
|                    | Social Members                     | 100 |                     |
|                    | Military Members                   | 8   |                     |
|                    | Country Members                    | 25  |                     |
|                    | * Life Honorary Members as elected |     | Category now closed |

\*When these categories of membership are available, the Committee will decide the criteria.

The annual subscription for Country Members fee shall be 25% of the Full Membership fee.

The President, the Commanding Officer of RAF Northolt and the Golf Captain of RAF Northolt shall be granted Honorary Membership for their term of office. The Captain and the Lady Captain shall be granted Honorary Membership for their first term of office only.

A Member who wishes to resign for any reason during the Membership year shall, on condition that they give three months notice or more as required within the terms and conditions of any promotion, be given a refund of their annual subscription for any whole calendar months remaining in the Membership year as of their notified leaving date.

Upon the death of a Member a refund of the annual subscription for the remainder of the Membership year shall be offered to the next of kin.

## **RESTRICTIONS ON PLAYING TIMES**

- On Thursdays the first tee is reserved for the Ladies Section from 12 noon until 1.00 p.m. Gentlemen members, visitors, guests and green fee players may not commence play on the 1<sup>st</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> tees after 11.45 a.m.
- Tees are reserved until 12.30 p.m. on Sundays for male members.
- Tee reservations for special competitions, club matches, or Societies are from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> tees. Matches already on the course must give way at the designated starting holes.
- Juniors and Intermediates may commence play on Saturdays from 2.30 pm and on Sundays from 12.30 pm.

## **MEMBERS GUESTS, GUESTS, VISITORS AND GREEN FEES**

Member's guests shall be permitted to play only if introduced and accompanied by a playing Member.

Member's guests shall not be permitted to play unless accompanied by a Full Member then only after 12.00 pm on Saturdays and 12.30 pm Sundays, Other categories of membership shall be permitted to introduce visitors only during their permitted playing times.

Members may introduce up to three playing guests at any one time at concessionary green fee rates. The maximum number of concessionary green fees allowed to any individual is five in any calendar year.

The Committee shall have the power to determine the amount to be charged for green fees and make special arrangements for green fees with other Clubs and societies.

Green fee players are permitted Monday to Friday (excluding Bank Holidays) and must purchase a ticket prior to commencement of play. The ticket shall only be issued provided they meet the approved dress and conduct codes and that they can demonstrate a knowledge of the etiquette of the game of golf.

## **CLUB OPENING TIMES**

The Clubhouse shall be open from 7.00 am until at least 30 minutes after the bar close times.

## **BAR OPENING HOURS**

### **SUMMER:\***

|                   |                                    |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Monday - Thursday | from 11.30 a.m. until 10.00 p.m.   |
| Friday            | from 11.30 a.m. until 11.00 p.m.   |
| Saturday          | from 11.30 a.m. until 8.00 p.m. ** |
| Sunday            | from 12.00 a.m. until 8.00 p.m.    |

### **WINTER:**

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| Monday - Wednesday | from 11.30 a.m. until 7.00 p.m.     |
| Thursday           | from 11.30 a.m. until 6.00 p.m.     |
| Friday             | from 11.30 a.m. until 11.00 p.m.    |
| Saturday           | from 11.30 a.m. until 20.00 p.m. ** |
| Sunday             | from 12.00 a.m. until 6.00 p.m.     |

**\*Summer being the period beginning at one o'clock, Greenwich Mean Time,  
In the morning of the last Sunday in March  
And ending at one o'clock, Greenwich Mean Time,  
In the morning of the last Sunday in October**

**\*\*May close early to accommodate a function**

**\*\*Open until midnight on function evenings.**

**The club reserves the right to alter the above opening hours,  
as and when necessary.**

## **SALE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR**

The Club, through the General Manager for the time being, shall make an appropriate application to be registered as a Club for the sale of intoxicating liquors.

The permitted hours for the sale of intoxicating liquor at the Clubhouse shall be as specified by the Committee and in accordance with the permitted hours in force as specified in the current Licensing Laws.

The Committee shall have power to vary the hours of opening of the bar.

No person under the age of 18 years shall be served with intoxicating liquor or shall have any intoxicating liquor purchased for them by any person, in the bar or upon any other part of the Club's premises.

Subject to any restrictions which may from time to time be imposed by the Committee, the following persons shall be entitled to admission to the Club premises and to purchase intoxicating liquor for consumption on the premises;

- Members and their guests
- Visiting golfers
- Green Fee players
- Club employees

## **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PERSONS**

Unless they are members in their own right, children/young persons of 17 years and under may not enter any part of the golf club unless accompanied by an adult who will be responsible for their supervision and control at all times.

Children/young persons of 8 years and over are expected to observe the same code of dress and conduct as adults, and children of any age shall not, under any circumstances, be allowed unaccompanied on any part of the golf course.

At certain times, or during various functions, the presence of children/young persons may be considered inappropriate and they may be required to leave at the request the General Manager, Captain or a Committee member.

## **GENERAL PLAYING CONDITIONS**

- a) Matches shall start on the 1<sup>st</sup> tee – but may start from the 17<sup>th</sup> tee if no match is approaching the 7<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> green or from the 3<sup>rd</sup> tee if no match is approaching the 2<sup>nd</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> green. Matches may NOT start from any other tee.
- b) Any match, whether 2-ball, 3-ball, or 4-ball, if not keeping up with the match in front, must give the match immediately following the opportunity of going through. The match immediately following should exercise this option on all occasions in the interest of the match following them.
- c) Players having completed their first nine holes must allow one new match (if waiting) to start before continuing their second nine holes.
- d) Members playing in competitions shall have precedence over all other players.
- e) Single players have no standing and must give way to players following them.
- f) 3-ball or 4-ball matches shall give way to a 2-ball match if called upon.

- g) Players must not drive into other players under any circumstances whatsoever, whether from the tee, through the green, overtaking, crossing or meeting, unless distinctly beckoned on (an always call 'fore' if you are in any doubt as to the direction or strength of your shot).
- h) The responsibility of seeing that the way is clear, and that others are out of danger, is always that of the player who is playing the ball.
- i) The remedy for players, who may be wilfully blocked by others, is **NOT** to drive into them, but to lodge a complaint with the General Manager.
- j) Chipping to the putting green is not allowed.
- k) Yellow tees are for general play and golfers may play only one ball.  
White tees are for Official Competitions and Club Matches only.
- l) Course etiquette; take care of the golf course. Repair pitch marks, replace divots and smooth bunkers after you have played your shot. Leave the course in the condition in which you would expect to find it.
- m) Avoid slow play, keep up with the game in front and not just ahead of the game behind. Call faster players through and give precedence to golfers playing official competitions or Club Matches from the white (competition) tees. Be prepared to play your shot immediately it is your turn and clear the green promptly; do not mark your card on the green but wait until you have reached the next tee.
- n) Respect the presence of other players and stand silently while they play their shots. Be aware of crossovers on the course. Players on the 1<sup>st</sup>/10<sup>th</sup> tees have priority. At all other tees and crossovers golfers playing a higher numbered hole (for this purpose the holes are numbered 1 to 9 only) have priority
- o) Do not take your trolley onto any tee, green or green surround, nor between any green and bunker. Do not leave your trolley or golf bag in front of the green and never carry your golf bag across a putting surface.
- p) Walkers and pets are not allowed on the course.

**Enjoy your game and respect the right of other players to enjoy theirs.**

**These Rules and General Playing Conditions may be altered or relaxed only at the discretion of the Committee who will give notice of any general or specific changes or exceptions in advance of the event.**