

GRANGE OVER SANDS GOLF CLUB LIMITED  
TERMS AND CONDITIONS & BENEFITS OF MEMBERSHIP

All **playing** members of the Club will automatically be members of Grange Over Sands Golf Club Limited and will be deemed to accept the Rules & Byelaws and conditions of such membership. Grange Over Sands Golf Club Limited is a company limited by guarantee under which each member guarantees the payment of £1 in the event of the company being unable to pay its debts. Membership of Grange Over Sands Golf Club Limited will automatically cease on a person ceasing to be a playing member of the Club.

Payment of annual subscriptions and affiliation fees are due and payable on 1<sup>st</sup> March (except Flexi membership - 1<sup>st</sup> January) each year and must be paid within 28 days. The Management Committee has the authority to arrange for members to pay annual subscriptions and other costs associated with membership by up to 6 instalments. The Management Committee will give consideration to reducing the cost of membership for any person who provides satisfactory evidence that the cost of membership is not affordable to them.

## **FULL MEMBERSHIP**

As a Full member of the Club you will benefit from the following:

- Unlimited golf throughout the membership period
- Entry into all competitions organised by the appropriate section of the Club. (NB Competition entry fees apply, including for Open competitions. A proportion of fees, as determined by the Management Committee in conjunction with the Captains' Committee, is paid to the Club, with the balance being used to fund prizes.)
- Affiliation fees to England Golf and the County Union / Association (and LGU for ladies) paid by the Club providing you with the opportunity to apply for England Golf's Handicap and Benefits card. (Details regarding free benefits and free registration available via [www.englandgolf.org](http://www.englandgolf.org))
- Cumbria / Lancashire County Card available free of charge, allowing up to 50% discount on green fees in Cumbria / Lancashire and many other counties
- Club (CONGU) handicapping system which will enable you to play at other Clubs worldwide and enter Open competitions
- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- On-line advance tee time booking
- Ability to bring guests at special guest green fee rates. There is no limitation on the number of guests that can be signed in per membership year. However a member is not permitted to sign in the same guest more than 6 times per membership year
- Specially negotiated reciprocal green fees with other Clubs, including Morecambe, Lytham Green Drive, Blackpool North Shore. (NB negotiations are ongoing for **Full** members to play one free round at certain other north west clubs with subsequent rounds at a reduced rate.)
- Lockers available for rental for storage of clubs and other personal items

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- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)
- Special member buggy hire rates
- Discount on catering & bar purchases - catering (5%) and bar (10%) - when paying with membership loyalty card (discounts not available for certain social events)
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captains' Day and at Christmas
- Access to various social events throughout the year
- Reduced subscription for members over the age of 80 with at least 10 years of continuous Full membership
- Access to incentives for introducing new members to the Club via the Member-Get-Member Scheme

Existing Full members may **not** apply for discounted Introductory membership having already been a Full member of the Club.

**The definition of a Full member:**

- A member who has paid his or her full membership subscription
- A member who was paying a full subscription immediately prior to being elected an honorary life member
- A member who was paying a full subscription immediately prior to qualifying for over 80's and over 90's reduced fees.

## **INTERMEDIATE MEMBERSHIP**

This category of membership is available to golfers aged 20 to 35. As an Intermediate member of the Club you will enjoy the same benefits as Full members except with regards free reciprocal golf. This will be available to Full members only. Existing Intermediate members may **not** apply for discounted Introductory membership of the Club.

## **INTRODUCTORY MEMBERSHIP** **(DISCOUNTED FULL MEMBERSHIP)**

This category of membership has been introduced to encourage golfers to join the club **and** become Full members. Introductory membership is **NOT** available to those who are already in existing playing membership categories or to former members (3+ years). Introductory membership is available at a special discounted subscription rate. **This rate is available for the first year of membership only** and on completion of their first year of membership members will be expected to become Full members and invoiced accordingly.

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As an Introductory member of the Club you will enjoy the same benefits as Full members except with regards free reciprocal golf. This will be available to Full members only – see above.

## **FLEXI MEMBERSHIP**

This type of membership is suitable for golfers playing up to 20 times per year and should appeal to those who play less frequently than they used to, those who are new to the game and those who do not have the time to justify Full membership. It is also attractive to those with caravans or holiday homes in the area or to those who are members of other clubs. **Further details of how Flexi membership operates are set out at the end of this section.**

**Before deciding if this is the right membership category for you please consider the following:**

- Flexi members may **NOT** apply for the discounted Introductory membership in subsequent years.
- Members in this category do **not** have access to unlimited golf. Flexi members must redeem the requisite number of credits that apply to the number of holes to be played **before** playing
- Members in this category will have the right to enter **designated** competitions on redemption of the requisite number of credits and the appropriate entrance fee. (A proportion of fees, as determined by the Management Committee in conjunction with the Captains' Committee, is paid to the Club, with the balance being used to fund prizes.)
- At the start of each season the Captains' Committee will determine the designated competitions but as a minimum this will include all Medal, 9-hole qualifying competitions and all Pro's winter competitions. Flexi members are **NOT** permitted to enter major / board comps; club knockouts; inter-club competitions e.g. senior (including GOSHAWKS), friendly and league matches.
- Credits **cannot** be used for Open competitions – this will require payment of the appropriate member entry fee.

As a Flexi member of the Club you will benefit from the following:

- Affiliation fees to England Golf and the County Union / Association (and LGU for ladies) paid by the Club providing you with the opportunity to apply for England Golf's Handicap and Benefits card. (Details regarding free benefits and free registration available via [www.Englandgolf.org](http://www.Englandgolf.org))
- Cumbria / Lancashire County Card available free of charge, allowing up to 50% discount on green fees in Cumbria / Lancashire and many other counties
- Club (CONGU) handicapping system which will enable you to play at other Clubs worldwide and enter Open competitions
- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- Special member buggy hire rates

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- Discount of **5%** on catering & bar purchases when paying with membership card (discounts not available for certain social events)
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captains' Day and at Christmas
- On-line advance tee time booking
- Ability to bring guests at special guest green fees (limitations apply – a Flexi member is not permitted to sign in the same guest more than 6 times per membership year; a Flexi member is not permitted to sign in more than 12 guests per membership year)
- Lockers available for rental for storage of clubs and other personal items
- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)
- Specially negotiated reciprocal green fees with other Clubs, including Morecambe, Lytham Green Drive, Blackpool North Shore. NB free reciprocal golf will be available to Full members only.
- Access to various social events throughout the year
- Access to incentives for introducing new members to the Club via the Member-Get-Member Scheme

### Conditions of Flexi Membership

- Flexi membership is for a **calendar year** i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December
- Annual subscription **plus** purchase of 100 credits is payable each year by 1<sup>st</sup> January. Unless agreed with the Management Committee these credits **MUST** be purchased at the same time as the annual subscription is paid and regardless of any top-up credits carried over from a previous year
- Each year any remaining credits from the previous year will be transferable into the next subscription year and added onto the new 100 credits.
- Top-up credits can be purchased at any time and any that are remaining at the end of the year will be transferred into the next calendar year
- No refund will be made for either the subscription or unused credits in the event of a member resigning their membership
- Credits are non-transferable to another Flexi member
- Flexi members must redeem the requisite number of credits **every** time they play, whether it is, for example, a full round in a competition (excluding Open competitions for which the appropriate entry fee is required) or a few holes of casual golf practice (9-hole credit fee payable for up to 9 holes; full round credit fee payable for 10 or more holes).
- Flexi members **must** pre-book a tee-time either on BRS or with the Professional or Honorary Assistant Secretary and redeem the credits to the Professional **before play**. If the Professional is not available the credits can be redeemed at the bar. If for any reason the credits cannot be redeemed before play they must be redeemed at the earliest opportunity after play. **Any member infringing this condition will have their membership cancelled with no refund.**
- Flexi members must display their special Flexi Member sticker on their golf bag at all times and ensure they have their receipt for the redeemed credits each time

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they play. (Designated Course Marshals may undertake random checks at any time. This applies to ALL membership categories.)

**FLEXI MEMBERSHIP – HOW IT OPERATES:**

This membership category is aimed at golfers who wish to play up to 20 times a year and have the opportunity to play some competitive golf and maintain a CONGU handicap.

**Subscriptions and payment for 100 golf credits will be due by 1<sup>st</sup> January each year unless other arrangements have been agreed with the Management Committee.**

Additional top-up credits can be purchased in-year. These are available in 25 credit bundles (costing £25).

Credits will be credited to the membership card within a designated “purse” and must be redeemed each time the member plays golf. Credits are non-refundable but can be carried forward (if unused) into the following year subject to renewal of membership. If a member moves into Full or Intermediate membership any unused credits will not be refunded.

***Tariff (credits)** – the following apply throughout the year unless otherwise determined by the Management Committee or Captains’ Committee:*

- More than 9 holes – 12 credits
- Up to 9-holes – 8 credits

**ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP**

This category of membership is for those who are already members of another club located over 25 miles away from Grange over Sands (i.e. second club membership) **and do NOT wish to play in any club competitions at Grange Over Sands Golf Club.** Those wishing to play in club competitions will need to join as either a Flexi or Full member. (NB Restrictions apply to Flexi members.)

As an Associate member of the Club you will benefit from the following:

- Unlimited **social** golf
- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- On-line advance tee time booking
- Ability to bring guests at special guest green fees (limitations apply – an Associate member is not permitted to sign in the same guest more than 6 times per membership year; an Associate member is not permitted to sign in more than 12 guests per membership year)
- Specially negotiated reciprocal green fees with other Clubs, including Morecambe, Lytham Green Drive, Blackpool North Shore.
- Lockers available for rental for storage of clubs and other personal items

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- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)
- Special member buggy hire rates
- Discount of **5%** on catering & bar purchases when paying with membership loyalty card (discounts not available for certain social events).
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captains' Day and at Christmas
- Access to various social events throughout the year.

## **JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP**

Grange Over Sands Golf Club encourages participation in the game of golf by players of all ages and we are pleased to welcome younger members. Regular competitions and teaching sessions are organised throughout the season.

Adult members who are involved in organising the junior section have all undergone CRB checks, and the Club has a Child Protection Policy.

### ***Benefits of Membership***

- Unlimited golf
- For juniors with full playing rights (as assessed by the Pro) affiliation fees to England Golf and the County Union / Association (and LGU for girls) paid by the Club providing you with the opportunity to apply for England Golf's Handicap and Benefits card. (Details regarding free benefits and free registration available via [www.Englandgolf.org](http://www.Englandgolf.org))
- For juniors with full playing rights (as assessed by the Pro) Club (CONGU) handicapping system
- Entry into junior competitions organised by the appropriate section of the Club. Juniors may enter certain adult competitions depending on their handicaps. (Payment of the appropriate entry fee is required for all competitions)
- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- On-line advance tee time booking
- Lockers available for rental for storage of clubs and other personal items
- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)
- Special member buggy hire rates (**NB Buggies can only be hired by people over 17**)
- Discount on catering & bar purchases - food and drinks - when paying with membership card (discounts not available for certain social events).
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captain's Day and at Christmas for members **over the age of 18**
- Access to various social events throughout the year.

## **WINTER MEMBERSHIP**

This category of membership enables golfers to join the Club for the 4-month period between 1<sup>st</sup> November to 28<sup>th</sup> February.

### **Benefits of membership**

- Unlimited golf
- Entry into all winter competitions organised by the appropriate section of the Club. (Competition entry fees apply, including for Open competitions. A proportion of fees, as determined by the Management Committee in conjunction with the Captains' Committee, is paid to the Club, with the balance being used to fund prizes.)
- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- On-line advance tee time booking
- Ability to bring guests at special guest green fee rates. There is no limitation on the number of guests that can be signed in during the winter. However a member is not permitted to sign in the same guest more than 4 times during this period
- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)
- Special member buggy hire rates
- **5%** discount on catering & bar purchases when paying with membership card (discounts not available for certain social events)
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and the special Christmas draw
- Access to various social events throughout the winter
- Winter members may apply for Introductory or Flexi membership at the end of the winter period i.e. from 1<sup>st</sup> March unless they have been a playing member of the Club in the previous 5 years.

## **ACADEMY MEMBERSHIP**

This membership category provides those new to golf with the opportunity to combine social membership with a package of tuition provided by the Professional. The tuition is aimed at preparing golfers to move from the practice facilities to the course by teaching them the necessary skills and increasing their confidence. When the Professional feels that the Academy member is ready to convert to a relevant playing membership category the balance will be payable and the new terms and conditions for that category will apply.

Whilst an Academy member the following terms and conditions will apply:

- Access to the practice area and the expertise of the PGA Golf Professional
- Free trolley storage (a deposit is required for a key to the trolley store. This is non-refundable.)

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- **5%** discount on catering & bar purchases when paying with membership card (discounts not available for certain social events)
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captain's Day and at Christmas
- Access to various social events throughout the year

## **SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP**

Grange Over Sands Golf Club welcomes members to its expanding social section.

### **Benefits of Membership**

- Discount on catering & bar purchases - food (5%) and drinks (10%) - when paying with membership card (discounts not available for certain social events)
- Opportunity to join the 200 Club with monthly draws and special draws on Captain's Day and at Christmas
- Access to various social events throughout the year

*Social members are welcome to attend general meetings of the club. However only **playing** members are entitled to vote.*