

REGULATIONS
OF
HALE GOLF CLUB LIMITED

General

1. These Regulations take effect from the date of incorporation of the Company and shall be subject to the Articles.
2. In the event of a conflict between the Articles and the Regulations, the Articles shall prevail.
3. The Regulations adopt the definitions and interpretations contained within the Articles.
4. Standing Committees and Sub-Committees appointed by the Council shall, subject to control of the Council, manage and direct the aspect of the Club's affairs for which they are appointed including the co-option of members for specific tasks. Any matter involving budgeted expenditure of more than £5,000, or unbudgeted items of expenditure of more than £1,000, shall be referred to the Council for its consent.

Play

5. The Rules of Golf in use for the time being by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St Andrews shall apply save to the extent if at all varied by the Greens Standing Committee by way of local rule(s).
6. Any Member wishing to play in a Club competition must have a current World Handicap System ("WHS") Handicap Index.

7. Members with new handicaps must have played an additional 54 holes under WHS qualifying conditions before becoming eligible to win a prize in any club handicap competition. At least 18 of these (i.e., 1 x 18-hole or 2 x 9-hole rounds) must have been in handicap-qualifying competitions played at the club.
8. On the course:
 - 8.1. Those playing in a competition shall have the right to pass those not playing in a competition.
 - 8.2. Subject to 8.1 above, any three or four ball matches must, on a request being made, allow a two-ball match to pass through.
 - 8.3. Subject to 8.1 and 8.2 above, any match playing a whole round (18 holes) may claim the right to pass a match playing less than a whole round.
9. The Greens Standing Committee shall fix the dates and times of all competitions and may either determine the prizes to be played for or allow the prizes (or any of them) to be determined by appropriate sections of the Club.
10. All matches played on handicap for Club prizes when halved at the 18th hole, must be continued on a sudden-death basis unless all the players in the match have agreed to replay the match in those circumstances.
11. Full Members may play at any time except when the tee is reserved for competitions, matches, societies, Junior Members or visitors.
12. On payment of the green fees which would be payable by a visitor playing with a Member, all Non-Playing members shall be at liberty to play golf on the course not more than six times in any calendar year. Apart from this facility a Non-Playing Member shall not play golf on the course but shall have the use of the practice putting green.
13. Country Members may play at any time, except when the tee is reserved for competitions, matches, societies, Junior Members or visitors, subject to the following additional restrictions:
 - 13.1. Country Members may play no more than twelve times in any one year.

13.2. Country Members may not enter more than six competitions in any one year and may not enter more than three WHS qualifying competitions between the months of April and September or between the months of October and March.

13.3. Country Members shall not be eligible to represent the Club in any official team matches.

14. Junior Members with an active WHS Handicap Index shall be entitled to enter club competitions but must be accompanied by an appropriate adult Full Member in accordance with the club's safeguarding policy. Outside of competitions all Junior Members over the age of 14 with an Active WHS Handicap Index may play at any time. All other Junior Members may play at any time except on Saturdays before 3.30pm, or on Sundays and public holidays before 12 noon. Those Junior Members without a WHS Handicap Index may play on Sunday and public holiday mornings provided they are accompanied by an appropriate adult Member with an active WHS Handicap Index in accordance with the club's safeguarding policy.

15. Temporary Members may play at any time except on Saturdays, or before 12 noon on Sundays and public holidays.

Guests and Visitors

16. Any Member may introduce a guest or guests to the use of the clubhouse and, on payment of the appropriate green fees, to the use of the course. A Member may introduce no more than three guests at any one time to the use of the course.

17. The conditions (including fees and available times) under which non-members shall be permitted to use the course shall be determined by the Council. No non-members shall use the course at any time without having a visitor's receipt previously issued to him by or on behalf of the Council. Unless introduced as a guest by a Member, a non-member using the course must (i) be a member of another golf club; and/or (ii) have an active WHS Handicap Index.

18. No non-member shall use the facilities of the Club more than six times in any calendar year.
19. Temporary Members may attend social events at the Club subject to the booking conditions prescribed by the organiser of each social event.
20. Members, officials and supporters of visiting teams playing Club matches and members of visiting societies shall be associate members of the Club for the day but without voting rights. Members of visiting teams shall be permitted to play without charge.
21. No green fee shall be charged to non-members whilst receiving lessons from the Club's professional and such use of the course shall not be included in the total use of the Club's facilities referred to in Regulation 18.

Complaints

22. All complaints about the operation or management of the Company or the Club must be provided in writing to the Secretary. Alternatively, a Member who is not seeking a direct response may record his complaint within any Suggestion Book as may be provided by the Club from time to time. Members must refrain from directly contacting Officers and employees of the Club with respect to these issues unless directed to do so by the Secretary.

Dogs

23. No dogs should be allowed on the course or in the clubhouse except for trained assistance dogs (e.g., Guide Dogs) accompanying their owners which are permitted in theClubhouse.

Clubhouse Closing

24. The clubhouse shall be open at such times as the Council determines from time to time but shall in any event be closed on Christmas Day.

Mobile Telephones

25. Mobile telephones or other similar electronic devices must not be used to make or receive calls anywhere on the Club premises except:

25.1. in the corridor leading to the locker rooms.

25.2. in the car park.

25.3. on the course, either in the event of medical emergency or when placing refreshment orders from the 9th/18th Tee.

26. Mobile telephones or other similar electronic devices may be used in the clubhouse, on the patio and on the course for purposes other than making calls provided always that such usage does not impinge upon, offend or affect the enjoyment of the Club's facilities by other Members and, in particular, does not distract other players on the course.

Dress

27. Dress standards shall be maintained at all times on the course, in the clubhouse and on the patio. In all circumstances gentlemen shall wear their shirts tucked into their trousers or shorts as appropriate.

28. Dress code on the course:

28.1. Gentlemen – jeans and collarless or sleeveless shirts (including T-shirts) are not allowed. Shorts are acceptable provided they are tailored, do not have “cargo” pockets, and are worn with coordinating long, short or ankle socks.

28.2. Ladies – jeans and sun-tops with or without shoulder straps are not allowed. Shorts are acceptable provided they are tailored and do not have “cargo” pockets.

28.3. Gentlemen and Ladies_– must wear proper golf shoes either with spikes or soft studs. Other kinds of footwear such as training shoes are not permitted.

29. Dress in the clubhouse and on the patio:

29.1. The dress code for ladies and gentlemen should be smart casual attire including smart jeans of uniform colour. For the avoidance of confusion, trousers or jeans which are frayed, soiled, cut or distressed are not permitted.

29.2. For gentlemen, t-shirts and shirts without a collar are not permitted. Non-golf sports attire including football and rugby shirts is not permitted. Shorts and trousers must be tailored without “cargo” pockets.

29.3. After 7pm, dress in the main room for gentlemen should be jacket and collared shirt with a tie being optional. Jeans are not permitted.

29.4. The dress code for organised social events in the main room or the side bar/bar lounge should be specified by the event organiser.

29.5. In keeping with the tradition of the Club, the following dress codes should be observed at these specific events in precedence to all other Regulations (save only as amended from time to time if at all by the Council):

29.5.1. Ladies’ Tea - smart casual

29.5.2. TNC - jacket, collared shirt, tie optional

29.5.3. Club Bridge - jacket, collared shirt, tie optional

29.5.4. Formal Golf Dinners – jacket, collared shirt and tie/Black Tie (as specified by the event organiser)

29.5.5. Captain’s TNC Dinners – jacket, collared shirt and tie

29.5.6. Mens’ Club matches – jacket, collared shirt and tie

29.5.7. General Meetings – smart casual

29.5.8. Sunday Lunch – smart casual – no jeans of any description

29.5.9. Council Meetings – smart casual

29.6. In hot weather the requirement for jackets and ties may be suspended on a particular day if so decided by the House Standing Committee or, in the case of a special event by the organiser of that event.

29.7. Smart, clean training shoes are permitted for Junior Members. Otherwise, they are not permitted.

29.8. In this clause gentlemen means gentlemen and ladies means ladies.

Licensing

30. The Club opening and the bar opening hours shall be as from time to time determined by the House Standing Committee in accordance with or within the hours prescribed by the relevant certificate granted to the Club by the relevant licensing authority.
31. Intoxicating liquor may be supplied within such hours as the Council may from time to time determine to Members and their guests and also to non-members of the Club attending at the Club premises being aged 18 years and over or such other age as shall be permitted by law when functions have been authorised by the Council provided that:
- 31.1. where such function is a function of a sporting nature involving attendance at the Club premises of members and supporters of visiting teams provided they are members and supporters of such teams and officials;
 - 31.2. where a special function is organised by a Member or section of the Club that Member or an official of the relevant section must be present and are to be responsible for such function;
 - 31.3. for any other function not provided for in sub-paragraphs 31.1 and 31.2 above, such function has been approved by the Council and noted in writing in advance.
 - 31.4. all profits received from any such functions as mentioned above shall be paid to the Club or organising section.
 - 31.5. the organisers of any events authorised by the Council shall be responsible to the Council for the conduct of all persons attending any such function.
 - 31.6. no person shall under any circumstances take off the premises intoxicating liquors made available at functions.

Unauthorised Use of the Course

32. All Officers and any nominees appointed by the Council for the purpose (such nominees to include the Club Professional and the Clubhouse Manager) are authorised to collect green fees on behalf of the Club and shall have rights to include:

- 32.1. requesting confirmation from any non-member using the course, who is not a guest of a Member, of proof of payment of the appropriate green fee and of their membership of another golf club and/or proof of an active WHS Handicap Index;
- 32.2. removing from the course any such non-member unable or unwilling to comply with such request.
- 32.3. requesting from a Member confirmation and proof that the appropriate green fee has been paid in respect of any guest of the said Member using the course;
- 32.4. charging a Member with the cost of green fees unpaid in respect of the use of the course by a guest of the said Member.

These Regulations were approved by Council in accordance with Article 14 on 7th February 2022 to take effect immediately.

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