



SCRAPTOFT GOLF CLUB ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS POLICY (Revised March 2022)

COURSE CLOSURE

The decision to close the golf course is solely at the discretion of the Head Green Keeper or their nominated Deputy for the day.

Factors that will be considered are: High risk of injury to golfers & potential for long term damage to the course. (Some examples of this are extremely wet ground conditions, extremely high winds, dense fog etc.)

The communication of these decisions to members will be through the website, the ClubV1 app. appropriate signage at the 1st and 10th tees as well as the Professional Shop Staff.

SUSPENSION OF PLAY - FOG

As a guide to play being suspended by fog, if it is not possible to see beyond the Scottish pine tree on the 1st hole or the first fairway bunker on the 10th from the white tee, play must be suspended.

If there is early morning fog (prior to the Professionals Shop opening at 8:30am weekdays and 8:00am weekends), the Greens Staff are responsible for putting up appropriate signage at the first tee. During the Professionals Shop opening hours, staff from the shop will be directed by the Greens Staff, if play must be suspended.

First Hole:



Tenth Hole:





SUSPENSION OF PLAY - LIGHTNING

During casual play, the SGC policy on lightning is that a Klaxon will be sounded by the Professionals Shop Staff however whether there has been a klaxon sounded or not, all players **MUST** suspend play until safe to do so. During formal competitions, it is the responsibility of a nominated representative of the Handicap & Competition Committee to suspend play.

SUSPENSION OF PLAY - FLOODING

Should the greens become flooded during heavy rainfall, play should be suspended until such time that they have drained. If the Greens Staff are on site, and there is only casual play, it will be their responsibility to suspend play. They will notify the Professionals Shop Staff, who will place appropriate signage on the first tee and manage golfers starting their round. Outside of Greens Staff working hours, the Professionals Shop Staff will assume responsibility for suspending play due to greens flooding during periods of casual golf. If the greens flood during a formal competition, it is the responsibility of a representative of the Handicap & Competition Committee, to suspend play.



TROLLEY & BUGGY USAGE - Colour Codes

In adverse weather conditions, the course at Scraptoft Golf Club may not allow the use of golf buggies & golf trolleys. Users' safety may be unacceptably compromised if golf trolleys, or golf buggies are used and a ban on their use will be put in place. When necessary, the Head Greenkeeper or their Deputy, will make the decision based on the health and safety of golfers, and if the Golf Course will incur any long term agronomic damage. In order to ensure members are aware of the buggy/trolley rules at that time, three colour codes will be used, these are as follows:

RED LEVEL

1.No Trolleys or Buggies, as recommended by the Health & Safety Executive.

(We do not wish to discriminate against any golfers and whilst we would encourage any golfer to carry in these circumstances, we appreciate this will not suit all players. We have designed a specific route, with a shortened course using the 90 degree rule from the left hand side of the fairways. If the course is too wet for buggies they will be banned but trolleys will remain useable unless the course is completely closed.)

2.Members with a registered Disability and with evidence of this logged at SGC, will be allowed to follow the route as outlined below.

The route is to play the 1st to the 3rd as normal then playing the 8th and returning to the 1st tee through the trees at the back of the 2nd green, to either finish, or to play the route again. This route will require golfers to be aware of players teeing off, and to sensitively "merge in turn" at the 8th and the 1st tees, always aware of the booking priorities.



AMBER LEVEL

Members/visitors over the age of 70 / Those with a registered disability / Those with medical evidence which confirms the strict need to use either a trolley or a buggy, will be permitted to use a trolley or a buggy on the course. All evidence of these restrictions must be logged with SGC.

GREEN LEVEL

Any member/visitor will be allowed to use a golf trolley, or buggy on the course.

Scraptoft Golf Club will communicate to the golfers the level applied on that day, via The Club V1 notices/ Golf Course Information Board or Contacting the Professional Golf Shop Staff. This decision will be reviewed on a daily basis and all decisions recorded.

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