



GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR PLAY ON THE COURSE

1. RULES

1.1. The Rules of Golf shall apply at all times.

2. ETIQUETTE

2.1. Rule 1 applies.

3. PRECEDENCE

3.1. The Club Captain and Club President should at all times be accorded the courtesy on the 1st tee.

3.2. The order of precedence on the course for matches starting at No. 1 tee, **after application of 3.1 above**, is as follows:

3.2.1. An official tee reservation.

3.2.2. A Club Competition of the day.

3.2.3. Two-ball matches.

3.2.4. Three or four ball matches.

3.3. Apart from an official tee reservation or the Competition of the day, the Parlington Cup, Harvey Foursomes, Victory Cup or Annual Mixed Foursomes will have priority on the Course. Monday to Friday and Sunday afternoon, Matches starting at No. 10 tee must not tee off when players are playing to the 9th green unless that match has indicated that their round will be completed at the 9th green.

3.4. Summer Club Competitions – Saturday

3.4.1. Prior to 4.00pm, it is compulsory to pay the appropriate entry fee and to play in the competition of the day.

3.4.2. Should a member be unable to fulfil a booking made via BRS, the Professional's must be advised at the earliest possible time

3.5. Other Competitions - Sunday / Wednesday / Friday

3.5.1. Competitions and Social Golf are allowed and all have equal priority on the tee.

3.6. Winter Competitions

3.6.1. On Sundays, and Saturdays during the winter, competitors must report to the Professional to be allocated either the 1st or 10th tee except when BRS is operational.

3.6.2. If there is a queue at either tee, players must alternate. Group A, already on the tee, and next in line to play, shall have priority. A new 'starting' group, if present on the tee, shall follow group A. The next 'continuing' group shall follow the 'starting' group and all following groups shall alternate in the same manner.

4. CLUB COMPETITIONS

4.1. Major Club Competitions are:

Parlington Cup	Harvey Foursomes
Annual Mixed Foursomes	Braime Trophy
Fryer Cup	Peter Stelling Centenary Plate
Nelson Grimshaw Plate	Nelson Grimshaw Scratch Cup
Childe Rose Bowl	C.H.L.O. Brown Trophy
J.H. Townsend Trophy	Walker Cup
Kershaw Cup	Wren Cup
Rabbit Cup	Veterans Cup
Seniors Cup	Ken Findlater Quaich
Ladies Scratch Trophy	Ladies Victory Cup



Ladies Edith Koppell

- 4.2. Cards for any Competition must be taken out from the Pro shop.
- 4.3. Where General Play Cards are taken for Handicap purposes they **MUST be declared strictly** in accordance with WHS Rules
- 4.4. All cards must be returned on the day of the Competition.
- 4.5. Markers must have a WHS Handicap.
- 4.6. A tie in Club Strokeplay Competitions shall be decided by 'countback' over the last 9 holes, 6 holes, 3 holes, 1 hole, then by the last 6 holes, 3 holes, 1 hole from the front 9. In 36-hole competitions, the above will apply to the second round. If there is still a tie the result shall be decided over the last 9 holes, 6 holes, 3 holes, 1 hole then by the last 6 holes, 3 holes, 1 hole from the front 9 of round 1. Matchplay rounds finishing 'All Square' after 18 holes must be decided by the "Sudden Death" method starting at No. 1 tee and a result obtained on the same day. If a result cannot be obtained, because of an acceptable reason, play shall be suspended in accordance with Rule 5.7 and The Committee informed before play continues on a mutually agreed later date. Acceptable reasons for not obtaining a result include, but not limited to the following:
 - 4.6.1. Medical grounds (a player becoming ill or injured)
 - 4.6.2. Safety reasons (lightning or poor visibility)
- 4.7. Conditions of Entry for Club Major Competitions, agreed by the Handicap Committee and approved by the Board, will be displayed on the Notice Board and take precedence over these General Conditions for Play on the Course.
- 4.8. A member may not play on the course on or after 1st January if his or her subscription is unpaid unless a formal agreement has been made.

5. HANDICAPS

- 5.1. Handicap allowances in Match Play Competitions shall be:
 - 5.1.1. Singles - The FULL difference between the course handicaps of the two players.
 - 5.1.2. Foursomes - HALF of the difference between the aggregate course handicaps of the two sides.
 - 5.1.3. Fourball Better Ball - Holder of the lowest handicap to concede strokes to the other players based on NINE TENTHS (90%) of the difference between the full course handicaps.

6. JUNIOR MEMBERS

- 6.1. Junior Members are eligible to play in any Club Competition if they satisfy the Conditions of Entry.
- 6.2. Junior Members who hold a WHS Handicap Index may play in Club Medal and Stableford Competitions but must play with at least one adult member.
- 6.3. Male Junior Members may only compete for prize money when they hold a WHS Handicap Index of 12 or lower. Female Junior Members may only compete for prize money when they hold a WHS Handicap Index of 18 or lower

7. PLAYING CATEGORIES

- 7.1. FULL PLAYING MEMBERS, including Intermediates and Juniors, may play on any day, in any Competition for which they satisfy the Conditions of Entry.
- 7.2. RESTRICTED PLAYING MEMBERS may play Sunday to Friday - also Saturdays after 4:00 p.m. Those wishing to play before 4:00pm on Saturdays may do so on payment of a green fee but may not enter competitions other than as specified in the Particular Conditions of Entry of major competitions. They may play in Weekday Competitions, Sunday Competitions and



Club Knockout Competitions, as specified in the Particular Conditions of Entry of major competitions, but not before 4:00pm on Saturdays. They may play by invitation in Captain's Day, President's Day and if successful, on Finals' Day, where held on a Saturday.

7.3. FIVE-DAY PLAYING MEMBERS may play Monday to Friday. They will be eligible to play in Weekday Competitions and, subject to availability and by invitation, Captain's Day and President's Day when held on a Sunday. They will **not** be eligible to play in Annual Knockout Competitions except those organised for 5 Day Members. Those wishing to play before on Saturdays or Sundays may do so on payment of a green fee but may not enter competitions other than as specified in the Particular Conditions of Entry of major competitions.

7.4. COUNTRY MEMBERS previously having been a Full, Restricted or 5-Day Member and with their permanent residence being 75 miles or more from Garforth Golf Club. They cannot play in Major Club Competitions.

8. LIGHTNING & POOR VISIBILITY – Committee Procedure E2a&E2b

8.1. In times of reduced visibility, golfers must not put themselves or other persons using the course, surrounding areas, or the public footpaths, in any danger whatsoever. Under no circumstances may a golf ball be struck further than the player's limit of visibility.

8.2. A post has been placed down the 18th fairway, on the right-hand-side looking back from the Clubhouse. If this post cannot be seen from the doorway of the Professional's shop because of reduced visibility, golfers must not commence play. In such circumstances the Head Greenkeeper or his deputy, one of the Professionals or their assistant, the Managing Secretary or any member of the Board has the authority to close the course. The course may be reopened for play when the 'authorised person' deems it safe to do so. (8.2 does not overrule 8.1).

8.3. All golfers should be aware that it is dangerous to play golf when there is a risk of lightning. Rule 5.7a, b, c and d applies. Competitors should not feel that they must continue because a Competition is in play and should not be pressurised into continuing to play by their partner(s), opponent(s) or fellow competitors. A golfer's safety is more important than their convenience.

8.4. At the discretion of The Committee, play may be formally suspended by the sounding of a 5 second blast on the course siren at which point **play must** be suspended in accordance with Golf Rule 5.7.

8.5. In this situation 'The Committee' delegates its authority to the Managing Secretary, Club Professionals and their Assistants. No other person has any right or authority to declare a suspension of play in this situation. No player should attempt to influence or place undue duress on the decision to open or reopen the course in such conditions.

9. PRACTICE

9.1. Practice on the course is not permitted (the playing of two or more golf balls is considered practice).