



Kirkcaldy
Golf Club

Playing Regulations

Amended January 2011

1. A reasonable standard of dress is required on the Golf Course at all times. Examples of dress considered unsuitable for members, guests and visitors are denim jeans and all types of shorts other than tailored shorts. Any person not meeting the required standard of dress may be asked by any member of the Management Committee or in their absence, by the Starter, to leave the Golf Course until his or her dress attains the required standard.
2. Dogs are permitted on the Golf Course during leisure golf. They must be kept on a lead, and the owners are responsible for cleaning up any dog faeces.
3. Except by permission of the Management Committee, matches shall be limited to 2-ball, 3-ball or 4-ball.
4. Priority to play off the first tee shall be granted to: -
 - a) Players taking part in a Competition or Match organised by the Club, excluding ties in Club Knockout Competitions.
 - b) Players taking part in a Competition or Match for which the Management Committee have granted permission.
 - c) Juvenile and Junior Boy and Girl Members have priority times set aside for official club competitions. These times can be found on the junior fixture list.
 - d) Visiting clubs or parties who have received the Management Committee's permission to play and for whom the tee has been reserved. These times can be seen on the BRS booking system.
5. Only two ball games shall be allowed in the 20 minutes immediately prior to the starting times for any Stroke Competition for which the first tee is reserved.
6. No person shall play from the first tee during the period of 16 minutes immediately prior to the starting times for any Competition or Match or prior to the times for which the first tee is reserved.
7. Play shall be regulated by the clubs BRS computerised booking system. Players may book a tee time up to 6 days in advance either online or by phoning the pro-shop on 203258. Any match failing to be ready to play off when called by the starter shall retire to the next available time.
8. Members may book a tee-time up to 14 days in advance for a club matchplay tie.
9. Control of start times for both members and visitors are managed by the BRS system that is controlled by the pro-shop. This only refers to players that haven't booked in advance.
10. All Guests introduced by Full Members must be signed in the Visitors' Book provided in the Professional's shop. No member may introduce more than three Guests in any one day and more than twelve guests in any one calendar year at the reduced rate. The same guests may not be introduced more than twice in any one calendar month.
11. All players must report to the Starter on arrival and have their names entered on the clubs computerised booking system. No player may play without the permission of the Starter.

12. Only full members and others with the match committee's permission shall be allowed to play in club competitions.
13. Juvenile and junior members who have achieved a handicap of 12 or less can play in Wednesday sweeps, however they must be accompanied by two full members who are also playing in the sweep. They will also be eligible to play in selected men's competitions that will be posted on the junior notice board.
All juniors play for handicap purposes only and cannot be placed in any of these events, nor enter any sweeps on the day.
If the Ladies committee feel a junior or juvenile girl member has reached a suitable level of ability, they will be allowed to play in Ladies competitions; however two adult members must accompany them.
It is not to be encouraged for family members (mums & dads) to follow juniors around the course when they are playing in club competitions.
14. Competition entry sheets will normally be available 1 week before competitions
15. All players may enter only their own name on the entry sheet. Any players having a valid reason for not so doing must have their name entered by a member of the match committee. Failure to comply will mean that in future stroke play competitions stringent action will be taken at the discretion of the match committee.
16. The match committee will prescribe the start of play times for competitions organised by them. No play shall take place outside these times. Tee off times are approximate and may be up to 8 minutes early. Players must be available for play 8 minutes before their approximate tee off time.
17. Men's Competition Draws normally commence on Saturdays from 7.22 a.m. and 11.22 a.m. and the tee will close 8 minutes beforehand. The tee will be reserved for Lady Members as required for competitions between 9.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m., 1.30 p.m. and 2.30 p.m., and 4.30 and 6.00 p.m. on Tuesdays and Saturday alternate days when required. The tee will close 8 minutes beforehand.
18. All players in Stroke Competitions for which a draw has been made shall play in threes. If there are an unequal number of players the first or last one or two games shall play in twos. Ladies with their smaller fields are permitted to play in two-balls if they so wish.
19. In all Stroke Competitions the order of play shall be arranged by the Match Committee.
20. No players will be allowed to change their tee off times in a Stroke Competition once the draw has been posted on the Notice Board. If for some reason a player requests to change their time, they may be allowed at the discretion of the match committee, however they will not be eligible to win the competition.
21. Any players who wish to call off from a Stroke Competition must do so at the earliest opportunity by calling the professional shop. This should be no later than 24 hours prior to their tee-time. Any persistent offenders failing to meet this requirement will be dealt with at the discretion of the match committee.

22. Any players who fail to turn up at the first tee for a Stroke Competition at the time shown on the Draw will be disqualified from the Competition. However, at the discretion of the Match Committee, they may be allowed to fill any vacant position and play off the Medal Tees for Handicap purposes only.
23. Any players who fail to turn up at the first tee for a Stroke Competition at the time shown on the Draw, without calling off to the Professional or being genuinely late for their starting time, will be excluded from the next Competition entered.
24. Late entries will only be accepted for Stroke Competitions if there is a vacant position available. Late entries are eligible to win the days competition.
25. The maximum handicap allowance to be given in any Men's Stroke Competition of 18 holes shall be 28 and in matchplay competitions 28. The Ladies maximum handicap allowance shall be 36 for both stroke play and matchplay competitions.
26. There are certain designated competitions such as opens and team events where there are restrictions on handicap. These restrictions will be highlighted at the time of entry.
27. In any Stroke Competition, every player's score must be marked by a fellow player or by any other person authorised by the Match Committee and shall be signed by the marker and player.
28. All One-Day Stroke Competitions organised by the club shall be completed on the day of the event other than competitions properly suspended.
29. If the Match Committee consider that, for any reason, the course is not in a playable condition or that there are circumstances which render the proper playing of the game impossible, it shall have the power in match and stroke play to order a temporary suspension of play or, in stroke play, to declare null and void and to cancel all scores for the round in question. When a round is cancelled, all penalties in that round are cancelled. When play is temporarily suspended, it shall be resumed from where it was discontinued even though resumption occurs on a subsequent day. Match Committee will inform players.

In a Ladies competition, if the main day is cancelled and cannot be re-arranged, the player in each division with the best net score on the alternate day is the winner of that medal competition. Similarly, if the alternate day is cancelled, the main result stands.

30. In all Club and Open Competitions the positioning of Tee Blocks and the Holes will be responsibility of the Match Committee.
31. Handicapping shall be done by the Match Committee and handicaps shall be revised in accordance with the latest version of Standard Scratch Score and Handicapping Scheme.
32. To obtain a handicap a member shall lodge three cards with the Match Committee showing scores for the course. The cards must be marked by a golfer with an official handicap, and must be played for over a measured course (White, Red or Yellow blocks). It is requested that all 3 cards are retained and handed in together.

33. If a member of other clubs, he must declare to the Match Committee which club he regards as his home club and states his handicap, if any, with other clubs.
34. In any matchplay tie it is the responsibility of all parties to organise ties in a timely fashion. No extensions under any circumstances.
35. In matchplay, you can show up late for a tie as long as you are at the 2nd tee by the time your opponent has completed the first hole. You will begin your match 1 down. If you fail to make it to the 2nd tee in time you are disqualified.
36. In matchplay where strokes are given, there shall be allowed.
 - a) In singles, full difference between respective handicap allowances.
 - b) In foursomes, ½ of the difference between the aggregate handicap allowance on either side, a half stroke shall count as 1. All strokes given shall be in accordance with the stroke indexes of the course.
37. In mixed foursome two ball matches, ladies shall drive at the odd numbered holes.
38. If any match or group of players fail to keep up with the game ahead of them, so that there is one clear hole at least between them, then the match or game behind them shall of right be allowed to play through.