

Standards of Behaviour at Corhampton Golf Club

All players at Corhampton GC must be aware of the standards of conduct expected of them under Rule 1.2.

'All players are expected to play in the spirit of the game by:

- Acting with integrity,
- Showing consideration to others
- Taking good care of the course.'

To this end, all members should make themselves aware of the following.

- Respect and safety of other players
- Speed of play
- Priority on the course
- Respecting the course
- Being aware of how your actions affect both players and the course.

Respect and Safety of other players

Players should be ready to play on the first tee a few minutes before their allocated time.

Mobile phones should be on silent on the course and in the clubhouse.

The Club dress code should be followed at all times.

No player should play until the players in front are out of range.

Take your club out of your bag before your playing partners have hit their shot, not whilst they are playing their shot.

Be aware of others playing nearby such as whilst on the 3rd and 10th tees.

Stand well out of the way and wait quietly until everyone has played their shot before moving off.

Do not hit your shot if you think there are players on an adjoining fairway who might be struck by your shot, in particular when deliberately aiming to use that fairway or with an unintentional wayward strike of the ball. Especially relevant on the 1st, 8th, 10th and 16th tees and fairways.

Shout 'FORE' immediately and loudly if you or a playing partner have hit a shot that could put other players at risk of being hit.

Having left the 8th green, walk to the 9th tee using the path through the trees and do not walk back up the fairway towards oncoming players.

When on the green, make sure your position is not causing distraction to the player through movement or causing shadow. Do not walk on their line of putt.

Speed of Play

Play ready golf, shorter hitters should play first from the tee if longer hitters have to wait.

Do not stand deliberating your shot when it is your turn to play. Plan your shot before it is your turn.

Keep up with the group in front rather than ahead of the group behind.

Spend no more than 3 minutes looking for a ball. If a shot looks as if it might be lost play a provisional ball.

Watch your partners ball so you can see and advise where it has landed.

If you have lost a hole always allow the group behind to play through.

Do not leave your clubs where they will prevent the group behind from playing quickly after you have left the green e.g., in front of the 8th green. Leave clubs and trolleys to the exit side of a green.

If it does not hinder their play, read your putts whilst others are putting.

Mark your score upon immediate arrival at the next tee, except that the first player to tee off marks their card immediately after teeing off.

Priority on the Course

If you are holding up a group playing in an official club match or competition and you are not, you should offer to let them through regardless of the play ahead.

Note - Both the 2004 and 2008 rules of golf revised the position of a single player who now under the 2008 rules is considered a group and has the same rights as any other group.

Respecting the course

Repair your own pitch marks and look for others to repair whilst waiting to putt. Unrepaired pitch marks has to be one of the most annoying things for other players and causes much damage to the course. If you are unable to repair your own through disability, then ask a playing partner to do it for you.

Replace divots on the fairway and tap them down for good contact.

Do not take trolleys or drive buggies between the greenside bunkers and the greens nor across teeing areas.

Take care not to damage the edges of holes. Do not use a club to dig out your ball from the hole.

When placing golf bags on the ground, players should make sure they are not put on the greens and no damage is done to green fringes.

Bunkers must be repaired and smoothed with a rake after playing out. If no rake is available, then smooth firstly with your foot and then a club. The bunker should be left in a better state than it was found.

Remember to knock the bunker sand off golf shoes and ice in the winter before walking on the greens.

In inclement weather, any notices, or restrictions regarding the use of golf carts or buggies must be strictly observed.

Being aware of how your actions can affect other players and the course.

If you cannot make a booked tee time you must remove yourself from the system at least 48 hours in advance to ensure you do not stop other members having the opportunity to play, particularly at peak times.

Corhampton Golf Course is now recognized as being amongst the top courses in Hampshire. Please remember that any restrictions that are put on the course at short notice are put there for a good reason either for the safety of other players or for the benefit of keeping the course in the best conditions possible and should be respected and adhered to by all players.

If the Course Marshall has reason to speak to you, please comply with his instructions respectfully. He is there to ensure the enjoyment of the course by all players.