



Flexible Membership

We would love everyone at the club to be Full members, but we recognise that individual circumstances mean this doesn't work for everybody. The introduction of RGC's truly flexible membership is designed to provide real flexibility, accommodating each individual's budget and opportunities to play.

We are aware not everyone has the time to play often enough to justify Full membership and as a friendly, community-based club we also know that there are keen golfers who want to be club members but are unable to meet the cost of full membership.

As an inclusive club we want everyone to enjoy the game and be part of our membership so the options below are designed to provide that opportunity but please be aware places for this new category are limited.

RGC does require a joining fee to be paid and for Flexible members this is £200, payable at the point of joining. This is half of the joining fee applicable for Full membership so should a Flexible member eventually upgrade to Full membership the additional £200 becomes due.

In terms of the annual subscription for Flexible membership, there are three levels available and to provide even greater flexibility it is possible to upgrade once during the year.

Level 1 - £250

Level 2 - £500

Level 3 - £750

The fees above are paid in full, in advance, these are then held on account within the booking system which automatically deducts the relevant fee for each game booked based on the table below.

	Flex Rate	Summer	Flex Rate	Winter
Weekday	18 Holes	10 Holes	18 Holes	10 Holes
Before 1pm	£25	£15	£20	£12
After 1pm	£20	£12	£15	£10
After 4pm	£15	£10	£10	-
Weekend				
Before 1pm	£30	£20	£25	£15
After 1pm	£25	£15	£20	£12
After 4pm	£20	£12	£12	-

This approach allows a flexible member to prioritise according to their own situation, as they manage the number games they play and when they play, providing to them their view of value for money from membership at RGC.



For added flexibility, if a Flexible member finds they have been able to play more frequently than they had anticipated, they have the opportunity to upgrade their membership level on one occasion during the membership year. This is provided because should a flexible member run out of credit then they will not be able to be signed in by other members and would revert to paying the full green fee rate for further rounds until the membership renewal again in April.

Providing a truly flexible membership is a significant administrative challenge. Therefore, Flexible members **MUST** always book their games through the online system so that that the credit is automatically deducted.

Flexible members can book times 10 days in advance and receive a 10% discount on drinks from the bar. These aspects are different from the benefits of Full Membership.

Other aspects of Flexible membership

- Flexible members do not gain shareholder voting rights
- All club stroke play competitions are run the same way to allow the system to deduct Flexible Member credits automatically. (No requirement to sign up to the competition until the day, just book a casual tee time and then sign in on the touch screen to enter)
- The 10 hole aspect requires members to report to the shop as the system is not able to automatically account for this. Members will follow the booking process and a full round fee will be deducted but on coming off the course after 10 holes the member can declare this in the shop and a refund will be issued back to their credits.
- Unused points at the membership year end will be carried over to the following membership year provided the member renews at the minimum level, paying in full.
- The reason for only allowing one upgrade is to discourage speculative use of this membership. It is intended only for those that have genuine restrictions of cost and time.

To apply for this new category or if you have any queries, please call 01777 703733 or email Nicky at office@retfordgolfclub.co.uk