

REGULATIONS OF CHEADLE GOLF CLUB

The following Regulations are supplementary to the Rules of Cheadle Golf Club and have been enacted by the Management Committee in accordance with Club Rule 12.3 and will be effective from 1st May 2001.

Rules shown in *italics* refer to the Rules of Golf as published and approved by the R & A.

1. GENERAL

- 1.1 The official Club membership tag must be prominently displayed on each member's golf bag.
- 1.2 Litter must not be deposited on the course. Anyone reported doing so will be subject to disciplinary action by the Management Committee.

1.3 Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are prohibited on the course, practice ground and in the clubhouse. However, the Club Secretary is granted the power to withdraw this prohibition to members and visitors in very exceptional circumstances.

No other mobile phones are permitted in the above areas other than those used by the Secretary, Treasurer, Greens staff and Steward. There are no restrictions in the car park.

2 HOUSE

- 2.1 The Clubhouse will be closed thirty minutes after the official evening bar closure.
- 2.2 Only members and guests above the age of eighteen years are permitted in the snooker room.
- 2.3 Junior Members may use the stud bar for the purchase and consumption of non-alcoholic beverages and refreshments.

3 DRESS

- 3.1 Casual dress of a smart and neat appearance must be worn for playing golf on the course. Shorts are allowed provided they are of a tailored design and worn in conjunction with calf-length, turn-over knee length or white ankle sports socks.

Golf course dress regulations **exclude** the wearing of:-

- a) denims or jeans of any kind;
- b) collarless or tee shirts;
- c) trainers or cricket shoes;
- d) tracksuits or shell suits;
- e) trousers tucked into socks;
- f) athletic, football or boxer style shorts;
- g) anoraks.

Any person contravening this rule will be requested to leave the Course.

- 3.2 Golf shoes may not be worn in the clubhouse except in the locker room, the stud bar and the connecting corridor, including the coffee lounge.
Between 1st April and 1st November golf shoes must have soft spikes.
- 3.3 Changing of shoes and clothing in the car park is not permitted. All changing must be carried out in the locker rooms provided.
- 3.4 After 7:30pm, in the clubhouse lounge and snooker room, members (other than Junior Members) and their guests may wear dress of smart casual standard. They must not wear dress in which they have just finished playing golf.

4 COMPETITION REGULATIONS

- 4.1 In all competitions where an entrance fee is payable, the fee must be paid before commencing play.
- 4.2 All competition cards, including cards marked N/R (nil return), must be placed in the box provided immediately on completion of the round.
- 4.3 All competitions must be played off the appropriate competition tee markers.

- 4.4 When a time sheet is in operation, all competitors must report to the starting point at the allotted time. Failure to do so will incur the penalties as detailed in *Rules 6-3, 30-3a and 31-2*.
- 4.5 Players in a club competition shall have the right to pass players who have not entered the competition or who have already played their competition round.
- 4.6 At the discretion of the Competition Secretary, anyone failing to attend for a competition for which their name has been entered may be liable to suspension from two subsequent competitions. Anyone deleting their name when the list is full must inform the first reserve.
- 4.7 Use of the cross-fairways practise tees is not allowed during club competitions and inter-club matches.
- 4.8 Players in a competition, and starting from a hole other than the first, must complete the course score card in the manner of the Stroke Index. Therefore, the competitors / markers should ensure that after playing the ninth hole the next score recorded is for the first and not the tenth. In this manner, the score over the player's 'outward nine' will be the sum of those for the 'first nine holes on the card'.

5. RULES IN THE EVENT OF A TIED COMPETITION

5.1 Cheadle Challenge Cup and Prescott Badge

In the event of a tie, the trophy shall be held by the tied competitors for an equal period.

5.2 Scratch Shield

In the event of a tie after 36 holes it shall be decided by a sudden death play-off.

5.3 All other Competitions

In the event of a tie, the result shall be determined on a card play-off, as follows:-

- a) the result taken from the score over the last nine holes;
- b) if a tie still exists, the result taken from the score over the last six holes;
- c) if a tie still exists, the result taken from the score over the last three holes;
- d) if a tie still exists, the result taken from the score over the last hole.

6. LOCAL RULES

6.1 Out of Bounds (*Rule 27-1*)

- a) over any boundary fence, hedge or beyond white marker posts behind 9th/18th green;
- b) in or over the ditch to the right of the 1st fairway;
- c) in or over the ditch behind the 3rd green;
- d) in or over the clubhouse patio;
- e) in or over the car park;
- f) to the right of the paths on the 2nd and 4th greens

N.B. Any player hitting a ball out of bounds as in a), d) or e) should report the incident to the Club Secretary.

6.2 Water Hazards (*Rule 26*)

The stream crossing the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th and 8th fairways is a Water Hazard.

6.3 Stones in Bunkers (*Rule 24-1*)

Stones in bunkers may be removed before playing a stroke.

6.4 Bridges and Paths (*Rule 24-2*)

- a) All bridges are deemed an integral part of the course, with the exception of the concrete bridge to the front right of the 2nd green, and the stone bridge to the front right of the 7th green.
- b) Footpaths with an artificial surface are **NOT** an integral part of the course: *Rule 24-2(b)(i)* applies [i.e. drop within one club length from nearest point of relief.] All other footpaths are deemed an integral part of the course, with the exception of the footpath to the right of the 4th green, and the footpath to the 8th green where the ball may either be played as it lies, or from the designated dropping zone: *Rule 24-2(b)* applies.
- c) A ball lying on the paths to the right of the 2nd and 4th greens shall be lifted and dropped in the dropping zone without penalty.

6.5 **Trees (Rule 24-2)**

All trees fitted with a white sleeve are immovable obstructions. *Rule 24-2(b)(i)* applies [i.e. drop within one club length from the nearest point of relief].

6.6 **Drainage Ditches**

A ball lying in a drainage ditch may be lifted and dropped within one club length without penalty. A ball lying in a drainage ditch within a hazard is deemed to be within the hazard.

6.7 **Trolley Restriction Marking**

A ball lying on any front-of-green trolley restriction marking may be lifted and dropped without penalty, not nearer the hole.

6.8 **First Tee**

In general play, players must not play from the 1st tee if shots have already been taken from the 9th tee by other players continuing a round. Players from the 1st tee may follow those let through.

6.9 **Safety**

- a) Players on the 1st /10th fairway should not proceed to the green until the players on the 2nd /11th tee have played or unless there is a delay.
- b) Players on the 1st /10th green must move to the side of the green on the 8th /17th fairway side whilst tee shots are played from the 2nd /11th tee.
- c) Players on the 2nd /11th tee must not play their shots until the players in front have left the 2nd /11th green and crossed the bridge to the 3rd /12th tee. **Players on the 2nd /11th fairway should be aware that there may be players teeing off from the 3rd /12th tee.**
- d) Players on the 5th /14th tee must not play their tee shots until the players in front of them have played their tee shots from the 6th /15th tee and cleared the 5th /14th fairway by walking up the 6th /15th fairway.

6.10 **Calling Through**

- a) During any match or game, any players who fail to keep their place on the course, and lose one clear hole on the players in front of them, must allow the following players to pass through.
- b) In the absence of special competition rules, two-ball matches or games have precedence and are entitled to pass any three or four-ball match or game.
- c) A single player has no standing and should give way to a match or game of any kind.

6.11 **Other Conditions**

- a) Pedestrians on the public footpath crossing the 3rd, 4th, 6th, 7th and 8th fairways have the right of way. **Players must not play shots until it is safe to do so.**
- b) Casual practising is not permitted on the tees or greens.
- c) All divots must be replaced firmly.
- d) Pitch marks on greens must be repaired.
- e) Only wide wheeled trolleys are allowed on the course. They must not be taken over tees, greens or between greens and bunkers.
- f) After playing shots from a bunker, the sand must be raked towards the middle of the bunker and smoothed. **Rakes must be left in the bunker.**
- g) A ball lying in the hedge to the right of the 2nd /11th green may be lifted, under penalty of one stroke, and dropped in the designated dropping zone. This applies only when playing the 2nd /11th hole.

7 **ETIQUETTE**

In the interests of all, players should be aware of the *Rules of Golf, Section 1* referring to ‘*Courtesy*’, ‘*Priority*’ and ‘*Care of the Course*’.