

Please do!

Be courteous

At all times, be courteous to your fellow golfers.

Repair any damage

Please repair any damage you may cause (i.e. replace all divots, sand divots on the Tees, mend pitch and spike marks). Leave the bunkers as you would wish to find them, and place the rake in the bunker afterwards pointing in the normal direction of play.

Be punctual

Be on the first tee in good time - 5 minutes before your starting time.

Keep noise to a minimum

Please remember to keep the noise down to a reasonable level; it can disturb other players.

Be ready to play

Always watch out for your playing partner's ball.

Play without delay and keep moving briskly round the course, and avoid slow play at all times.

Remember that it is always the player farthest from the hole who plays first, but above all be ready to play when it is your turn. Avoid unnecessary practice swings and routines, as the maximum time you have for a shot is 40 seconds.

Remember that 2-ball matches have precedence and you must invite a 2-ball to pass through if you are a 3 or 4-ball, regardless of whether or not there are other 2, 3 or 4-ball groups in front of you.

Be prepared to call the group behind through if you are searching for a ball and they are waiting to play.

Call the group behind you through if you have a clear hole in front and they are waiting to play.

Remember if you are playing foursomes, the non-striker should walk ahead of his/her partner and be in position ready to play as soon as the ball arrives. You do not need to wait for your partner, and by leap-frogging in this way you will speed up play considerably.

Follow the signs directing trolleys and golf carts.

Leave your clubs at a point directly between the pin and the direction of the next tee - never at the front of the green!

Observe the rules

Please follow all the rules of any club that you visit.

Smile whenever you can

You will be surprised at what a smile can do!

Please do not!

Damage teeing grounds

Leave divots unplaced.

Distract

Fidget, talk, stand behind or close to, or move about when a fellow player is addressing the ball.

Cast your shadow over the hole when attending the flagstick.

Mark your scorecard while still on the green - always move quickly to the next teeing ground to avoid holding up the group behind.

Lose your temper

Lose your temper and throw your clubs.

Mis-drive from a tee

Drive from the tee before the group in front is out of range.

Drive from the tee or play a shot when other players are playing to or putting out on adjacent greens, or when the greenkeeping staff are preparing the course or the driving range. Also exercise extreme caution on the driving range, when the caddie master or his assistant are collecting balls.

Cut in

Cut in on any hole when there are players on the proceeding hole (especially the 10th).

Pull your trolley between a bunker and the green - please walk round the outside bunker.

Drop the flagstick or your golf bag on the green.

Drop litter

Our course is beautiful. We would like your help to keep it that way!

Disrespect the green

Run on the greens.

Practice outside the designated areas.

Mobile telephones & other electronic devices

The casual use of personal mobile telephones is frowned upon, so please switch off your mobile as you arrive at the Club. It is, of course, recognised that there will be occasions when such equipment is professionally essential (e.g. for medical support or in an emergency) but it is expected that members, guests and visitors will not use their mobile telephones in the Clubhouse, on the terrace, the practice areas, the surrounds of the Club, or on the golf course. If you absolutely must use your mobile phone, please make your call either in the space provided or in your car.

Standard of dress

While the Committee does not wish to impose rigid dress rules, members, guests and visitors are expected to wear smart golfing attire at all times when on the course or using the practice facilities. Blue denim jeans, sleeveless and collar-less T-shirts, leggings, short shorts, trainers and golf shoes without socks are not permitted. Ladies may, however, wear a sleeveless shirt provided it has a collar.

Smart casual clothing is permitted throughout the day in the lounge, bar and restaurant, and on the terrace. A jacket and tie must be worn at all times at official dinners and formal events in the restaurant and function rooms. Ladies should wear equivalent attire when using the restaurant or function rooms, whether dining in the evening or attending official/formal events.

Club rules

The Committee may from time to time review, change and amend the Club Rules.

Guide to Competitions

“There is no surer, no more painful way, to learn a rule of golf, than to be penalised once for breaking it.”

The Championship & Competitions Committee

The Championship & Competitions Committee at GCCZ consists of the Captain, or the person delegated by him, and the Secretary. The Committee shall have the following powers:

- To change and amend the Local Rules and Conditions of Competition
- To issue directives as to the use of the course and the practice facilities
- To suspend, terminate or cancel competitions
- To allocate penalties, including disqualification, and disciplinary matters
- To take final decisions on all Rules matters (Rule 34-2)
- To review and change players handicaps.

Rules & local rules

The Rules of Golf are as laid down by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews, supplemented by periodic Local Rules. For ASG sponsored events the conditions laid down in ASG Regulations must be observed. Play will be in accordance with the above Rules & Regulations.

Local Rules will be posted on the Main Club Notice Board.

Occasionally it may be necessary to postpone or change some events because of organisational requirements or the weather. Details of all changes will be displayed on the Main Club Notice Board.