

GUNGAHLIN LAKES GOLF CLUB BY-LAWS

By-Law 1 MOBILE PHONES (Approved Aug 98)

The use of a mobile or portable phone by a competitor or his caddy whilst on the golf course during an event is prohibited. The penalty for the breach of this condition is disqualification.

Note: If the competitor or his caddy is in possession of a mobile phone or a portable phone it MUST be turned off. If the phone rings this will be deemed to be in use and the penalty outlined above will apply. The only exception will be a medical emergency on the course, such exception to be ratified by the GLGC Committee or Match Committee.

By-Law 2 REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP HANDICAP (Approved Aug 98)

The GLGC Committee may from time to time approve alterations of a member's handicap if in its absolute discretion and having regard to all the circumstances including the member's results in any form of competition, it considers that the change is warranted under the handicap system which the Club follows. The member shall have no right of appeal to make any representation to the handicapper or to the CLGC Committee in relation to any proposed alteration of the member's handicap.

By-Law 3 WOMEN'S CAPTAIN (Approved Aug 98) Repealed February 1999

By-Law 4 Temporary Membership (Approved Feb 99) Repealed April 2004

By-Law 5 DISCIPLINARY SUB-COMMITTEE (Approved Feb 99)

- 5.1 In accordance with Rules 8 and 17 a Discipline Sub-Committee, comprising at least three Office Bearers of the Golf Committee, shall be formed from time to time to consider any complaint about a member or any other person using the golf course. The Sub-Committee may deal with any written complaint about the behaviour of a member at another AGU affiliated golf club in the same manner as if the offending behaviour had occurred at GLGC.
- 5.2 The Sub –Committee will be responsible for informing the member or other person who is the subject of a disciplinary action of the complaint and the manner in which the Sub-Committee proposes to consider the complaint.
- 5.3 Subject to Rule 8, the Sub-Committee shall make a finding on a disciplinary matter and record the finding in the minutes of the next Golf Committee meeting.

By-Law 6 MEMBERSHIP SUB-COMMITTEE (Approved Feb 99)

- 6.1 In accordance with Rule 17, a Membership Sub-Committee, comprising at least two Office Bearers and any two other members of the Golf Committee, may meet out of session as required to consider nominations for new membership of GLGC.
- 6.2 By Delegation of the Golf Committee, the Sub-Committee may approve provisional membership of GLGC pending approval by the Golf Committee.

By Law 7 FAILURE TO PAY MEMBERSHIP DUES AND PENALTIES

(Amended April 2004)

- 7.1 If by failure to pay annual fees by 31 October a person's membership is cancelled reinstatement is to be at the sole discretion of the GLGC Committee.
- 7.2 If a former member is permitted reinstatement of membership, the former member **MUST** pay the full Annual Subscription. If the former member is permitted reinstatement after 31 March a 50% New Member Administration Fee shall apply plus the Annual subscription pro rata from date of reinstatement. After 31 October the following year the full New Member Administration fee shall apply. The New Member Administration fee shall not apply for the first 5 years to former members who joined prior to 30 September 2003.

By Law 8 Absent Member (Amended October 2009)

Pursuant to Clause 4.4:

- 8.1 A member wishing to become an **Absent Member** must be fully financial as at 30 September.
- 8.2 Absent membership will take effect from 1 October upon payment of the Absent Member Administration Fee (as determined from time to time).
- 8.3 A member who has paid annually in advance cannot seek a refund or credit of the annual fee for the period of absence remaining in the GLGC financial year. Annual subscriptions cannot be refunded or credited to forward years.
- 8.4 A member who normally pays monthly by credit card deduction or direct debit may become an **Absent Member** provided fees for the balance of the year (to 30 September) are paid (pro rata) in full.
- 8.5 Upon request the Secretary will provide a Letter of Introduction stating the member is a financial member of GLGC until 30 September of the following year..
- 8.6 The Absent Member Administration Fee is payable on 1 October of the year the member becomes an **Absent Member**. The fee is not refundable and cannot be used as part payment of any fees due.
- 8.7 Upon payment of the Administration Fee, GLGC will maintain the **Absent Member's** handicap on GolfLink.
- 8.8 An **Absent Member** cannot compete for any Club Championship or Medal nor officially represent the Club in any form of District or GA/WGA sanctioned competition.
- 8.9 For the purposes of Greens and Competition fees at GLGC the **Absent Member** will be regarded as a **Guest**.
- 8.10 In all other respects an **Absent Member** will have no playing rights or privileges.
- 8.11 After the first year an **Absent Member** may elect not to pay an annual fee to maintain a GolfLink handicap. No other fee is then payable until the **Absent Member** returns as a playing member in which case, 25% of the New Member's Administration Fee is payable, plus the Annual subscription (pro rata) from date of return. The New Member Administration Fee shall not apply to absent members who joined prior to 30 September 2003
- 8.12 Absent membership is limited to five years.

Note: Absent Member Administration Fee at 1 October 2009 is \$100 (incl GST).

By Law 9 Deem To Be A Junior Member (Approved April 2004)

The GLGC Golf Committee may deem that a person who has not reached the age of 12 years be qualified to be a Junior Member (Clause 2.4a of the Rules) provided the Club Professional certifies that such a person has the physical skills, maturity and knowledge of the game of Golf to be a Junior Member.

By Law 10 – Playing Rights (Approved June 2007)

- 10.1 A Member's Playing Rights are stated at Clause 4 (Membership Entitlements) of the GLGC Rules.
- 10.2 The GLGC Committee may, at its sole discretion, allow a Playing Member, who is not a Full Member, to play in weekend Honour Board events, including Club Championships or other special Club events, under such conditions as it may determine from time to time.
- 10.3 In general, a Member permitted to play in such an event will not be required to pay any additional green fee.
- 10.4 At all other times a Playing Member who does not have playing rights on a particular day may, with the approval of the GLGC Committee (usually the Captain), play on payment of a green fee at the current Member's guest rate.
- 10.5 Playing Members who have playing rights will have priority booking until two days prior to an event or when entries close.

By Law 11 – Student Membership (Approved June 2008)

- 11.1 A Student Member is defined in Part 2.3 of the Rules of the Gungahlin Lakes Golf Club.
- 11.2 A person who attains the age of 25 on or before 1 October is not eligible to become or remain a Student Member.
- 11.3 All applications for Student Membership must show evidence of full-time status as reasonably requested by the GLGC Committee.

By Law 12 - Pro Rata Payment of Subscription (Amended July 2009)

- 12.1 Prior to renewal of annual membership subscription, if a Member confirms in writing that he/she will be absent for at least six months of the Membership Year, he/she may apply to the Golf Committee for their annual subscription to be paid pro rata. A minimum payment of 4 months membership must be paid. The payment may not be made by monthly instalments. The Member may rejoin the Club the following year without penalty or apply to become an Absent Member (By Law 8 will apply).
- 12.2 Prior to renewal of annual membership subscription, if a Member is injured or is seriously ill he/she may apply to the Golf Committee for suspension of membership and when fit, rejoin the Club and pay the remaining pro rata portion of the annual subscription.

NB Rule 5.4 In any event, a Member is not entitled to a refund of Joining Fees or Annual Subscriptions, pro-rata or otherwise.
