

## Club Rules & Regulations

### How the Club Operates

#### The Course

Open all year round with the exception of Christmas Day.

#### Reservation of Start Times

A reservation system is in operation and tee time bookings can be made by contacting the Clubhouse on 01844 239700.

As play is busy at the weekends, during Bank Holidays and over the Christmas period, would Members please ensure that tee times reservations are made. These can be booked up to 15 days in advance

#### Members

All members MUST register at Reception in the Pro Shop on each occasion when playing, using the swipe card system. All Members' Guests are requested to be registered and signed in by a Member before going out on the course.

#### Licensed Hours

The permitted hours for consumption of alcohol are as follows. *These times are not necessarily our usual hours of opening.*

- Monday – Saturday 11.00am to 11.00pm
- Sunday 12 noon to 10.30pm

#### Clubhouse Opening Times

These times are to be used as a guide and the Management reserves the right to adjust times without notice.

- Summer: 7.00am – 11.00pm
- Winter 8.00am – 5.30pm

#### Valuables

Members are advised to ensure their cars are locked when left in the car park. All valuables left within the car should be left out of sight. Valuables left in the changing rooms should be locked either in the Members own locker or one of the coin operated lockers.

**The Club will not be held responsible for any items lost or stolen within the club premises unless handed into reception for safe keeping.**

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### The Clubhouse

Please follow the following rules while within the Clubhouse.

- ✓ **On Arrival** - all Members guests and visitors should register on arrival at Reception.
- ✓ **Towels** - a complimentary towel service is offered in the changing rooms. After use, towels should be placed in the receptacles provided.
- ✓ **Drinks** are only to be consumed within the Spike Bar, Function room, Grill room, Foyer and on the Terrace.
- ✓ After use, please ensure the wash basins are left clean and tidy and as you would hope to find them.
- ✓ All carry holdall bags should be left in the locker rooms on arrival and until departure. They are NOT to be left in reception or brought into any of the eating or social areas.
- ✓ Members are notified that all personal property – including golf clubs and accessories – are NOT covered by the club's insurance. The Management strongly recommend Golfers Personal Insurance to cover any risks.
- ✓ **Smoking** - Magnolia Park follows a strict non-smoking policy and asks all Members, Guests and Staff to only smoke in the designated locations – outside the main entrance, outside the Pro Shop and on the terrace. Please use the ashtrays provided

### The Course

Please help maintain the course by –

- ✓ Only use the Tee's allocated for the day
- ✓ Please ensure that divots and pitch marks are repaired and bunkers are raked.
- ✓ Use defined pathways from green's to tee's and do **NOT** cross over tee's with pull-carts and electric trolleys.
- ✓ Flags should be placed on the edge of greens during play to avoid damage.
- ✓ Do not climb up the front of bunkers.
- ✓ Smoking should be restricted to the teeing areas only.
- ✓ Avoid practising your golf swing on the tees.
- ✓ Rakes should be left in the bunkers

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### **Course Etiquette**

#### **On the Green**

Always repair pitch marks. Remove flag from the hole carefully. Do not stand too near the hole. Beware of spike damage. No trolley's permitted inside the area marked with a white line round the approaches to the green.

#### **Bunkers**

Enter bunkers at the nearest point to the ball. Always rake footprints and smooth the sand after the shot. Leave the rake inside the bunker edge – not in the line of play. If stones have to be removed, do not throw them outside the bunker. Avoid damage to edges when entering and leaving the bunker.

#### **Tees**

Avoid damage from practice swings on tees. Trolleys must not be taken onto the tee or their surrounds.

#### **Trolleys**

During soft ground conditions, unless using the buggy paths, pulling or electric trolleys and buggies are not permitted. Members who are unable to carry their clubs for medical reasons may be given permission to use electric trolleys or buggies by the management.

#### **Boundary Fences**

Members are not allowed to retrieve any balls from over the boundary fences around the course.

#### **Mobile Phones**

Phones must be kept on silent or in 'vibrate' mode whilst in the Clubhouse or out on the course. Mobile phones are not permitted in the Bar, Grill Room or the Function Room. The Management appreciates the need for mobile phones and has designated the foyer for their use.

**MOBILE PHONES ARE A DISTRACTION AND CAN BE A NUISANCE TO OTHERS. PLEASE SHOW CONSIDERATION TO YOUR FELLOW GOLFERS.**

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### Dress Rules

The club seeks the co-operation of Members and Visitors regarding dress rules, both on and off the course. They are asked to help the management by presenting themselves in a smart and tidy manner at all times. Attire appropriate to other leisure activities or the playing of other sports, is not considered appropriate or acceptable.

#### Gentlemen

- ✓ Tailored shirts with collars which must be tucked into trousers at all times.
- ✓ Tailored shorts. Shell, track pants, logo sports shirts -e.g. Rugby shirts- are not classed as golfing attire and are not acceptable on the course or in the Clubhouse.
- ✓ Socks must be worn at all times and visible.
- ✓ Smart jeans – no rips tears or fraying – are allowed in the Clubhouse only. They are NOT permitted on the course.
- ✓ No hats to be worn in the Clubhouse.
- ✓ No trainers
- ✓ Golf shoes must be worn on the course at all times. Soft spikes are not compulsory.

#### Ladies

- ✓ Tailored shirts with collar and tailored shorts.
- ✓ Tailored shorts. Shell, track pants, logo sports shirts -e.g. Rugby shirts- are not classed as golfing attire and are not acceptable on the course or in the Clubhouse.
- ✓ Socks must be worn at all times and visible.
- ✓ Smart jeans – no rips tears or fraying – are allowed in the Clubhouse only. They are NOT permitted on the course.
- ✓ No hats to be worn in the Clubhouse.
- ✓ No trainers
- ✓ Golf shoes must be worn on the course at all times. Soft spikes are not compulsory.

The management reserve the right to request anyone who is considered to be inappropriately dressed to change their attire to comply with the above. Failure to do so will result in the person or persons being asked to leave the Clubhouse or the course.

If you would like further guidance on what is or is not acceptable, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Management Team who will be happy to help.

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### Slow Play - Consideration for Other Players

Would all Members and Guests be aware of slow play and observe the following points;

- ✓ **Playing without undue delay** – By all means take time when you need to play your shot but keep play moving smoothly at all times. Don't dawdle between shots and be prepared to be called through at any time.
- ✓ **Lost Ball** - If searching for a lost ball and the match behind is ready to play their shots, call them through immediately. You are permitted 5 minutes to find your ball before declaring it lost, but you are not permitted to delay the match behind for 5 minutes before calling them through.
- ✓ If you have a clear hole in front of the one in play and the match behind are waiting to play their shots – call them through immediately.
- ✓ If you are a three or four ball and a two ball or foursome match is behind and travelling faster than you, then call them through at the first opportunity.
- ✓ On reaching the green, it helps to leave your clubs at the point directly between the pin and the direction you intend to take in order to reach the next tee. Try not to leave your clubs in such a place that to collect them, you have to cover the same ground twice.
- ✓ When marking your scorecard, please make sure that this is done on the tee and not on the side of the green of the hole being played.

At weekends when play is at its busiest, the course will be monitored and any matches not keeping up with play will be asked to speed up or call the match or matches they are holding up to play through. Matches wishing to stop at the Halfway House for refreshments will lose their place.

It is your duty to keep up with the group in front. It is not enough to keep ahead of the group behind.

Members are asked to read, remember and act on the above for the benefit of themselves and other players.

#### **New R&A Rule – 8<sup>TH</sup> December 2016 - Accidental movement of a ball on the putting green**

The R&A have released a new local rule concerning the accidental movement of a ball on the putting green and this is essential knowledge for all.

The committee in charge of a competition or course now has the option to adopt a Local Rule that eliminates the penalty for all circumstances when a player, an opponent or either of their partners, caddies or equipment accidentally moves a ball or ball marker on the putting green.

Full details can be found on the R&A website at <http://www.randa.org/News/2016/12/New-Local-Rule-for-Golf>



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