



Rules & BYE-Laws of Clonakilty Golf Club

1. A member must have paid yearly membership fees or set up a Standing Order to be paid in full by 30th June before he/she can enter into club competition.
2. Members must play in three club qualifying competitions before they are entitled to win a prize.
3. Members wishing to obtain a handicap must have each of their three cards signed and dated by another member of Clonakilty Golf Club, who already has a Golf Ireland handicap. Clearly write 'For Handicap' on top of each card. Hold onto cards until all three are completed and then put all three pinned together into gentlemen's/ladies competition box.
4. Juvenile members are not entitled to play in adult competitions unless they have a handicap of 19.9 or better, and irrespective of handicap, they cannot enter the competitions outlined in point 14.
5. Juveniles playing in adult club competitions must play on Friday or Saturday.
6. Regardless of handicap, Juveniles are not permitted to win 1st Prize in adult competitions.
7. Juvenile members must have one adult member in their group in all adult club competitions.
8. Juvenile members can only play after 6 pm in the evening if they are playing with a golfer over 18 years of age.
9. Student members are not entitled to play in adult competitions outlined in point 14.
10. All members must sign in before playing, whether playing in competition or not.
11. Dress code – All members must wear tailored shirts and trousers/shorts. Denims and football styled shorts are strictly prohibited.
12. Avoid slow play at all times.
13. Show due care to the course at all times. Replace all divots, repair pitch-marks on greens and rake bunkers after use.
14. Only full members can play in The Club Matchplay Singles plus the following and future competitions designated as " Majors" :
Gents – President's Prize, Captain's Prize, Masters, Edward Twomey Memorial. **Ladies** – President's Prize, Lady Captain's Prize, Captain to Ladies Prize, Shannonvale Foods and Christmas Hamper.
15. All players in Club or Open Competitions must commence play from the First Tee, unless permission is otherwise granted in a general way.
16. Mobile phones must be switched off at all times on the golf course.
17. A player is liable for disqualification unless his/her entrance fee is paid and his/her name entered in the Competition Register before commencing play. If a card is not properly completed, a player is liable to disqualification.
18. Players in a competition shall have precedence both in starting and in the General Area over parties playing ordinary matches.
19. In the event of a competitor being unable to find an opponent or fellow competitor, any member of the relevant General Committee may appoint a marker or give permission to join two others in a "three ball". Such "three ball" shall be entitled to keep its place in the General Area.
20. A member taking part in any Club Medal, Stableford or versus Par competition must return his/her score card; other-wise his/her handicap is liable to be adjusted.
21. Should ties occur in a match-play competition over eighteen holes, play shall continue until a hole is won, when the winner of such hole shall be deemed to have won the match.
22. Should ties occur in Stroke, Stableford, or versus Par competitions, the winners shall be declared on the best nett score for the last nine, last six, last three, last two, last one and if still a tie, last three, last six, last seven and last eight of the first nine holes.
23. A list of Members with their current handicaps, as well as the names of the Officers and other members of the General Committee for the year shall be exhibited in the club.
24. Members must not throw waste paper or litter of any kind on the course.
25. The Competition/Handicap Sub-Committee shall form an Emergency Committee to decide any point regarding any competition in progress or to make an Emergency Local Rule or to alter a handicap before play. Any such decision or local Rule shall be in force for that day.
26. In any competition where play is ordinarily spread over a prolonged period (e.g. Match play) a competitor shall play off the current handicap. This applies unless some other definite Local Rule is made by Competition/Handicap Sub-Committee.
27. The Competition/handicap Sub-Committee shall have power to set maximum permitted handicap for any competitor in any open competition where a specified limit has not been stated.
28. No individual member of a Committee or Sub-Committee has the power to alter any decision of the said Committee or Sub-Committee.
29. Local Rules will be printed on Score Cards or displayed if the rule is of a temporary nature.
30. A proper up to date record of amendments to the Constitution is to be kept by the Honorary Secretary of the Management Committee, and a copy of any such amendment to be displayed on the notice board in the Clubhouse for members' information.
31. A proper up to date record to be kept of all local rules enacted by the Committee.
32. A notice displaying all local rules in force to be placed on notice board in the Clubhouse for all players' information.
33. The Management Committee is empowered to impose penalties for breaches of the rules, bye-laws and regulations of the Club in force for the time being or for breaches of etiquette of golf, and may also at any time (either instead of, or in addition to, fines) temporarily withdraw the use of the Clubhouse and course from any member whose conduct or breaches of the rules, bye-laws and regulations may, in the opinion of the Management Committee, justify this course of action.
34. Children under 12, either Members or Visitors, are not permitted on the Course, unless they are accompanied by an adult.