

Tallwoods Golf Club Incorporated

(ABN 132 963 305)

Rules



Approved by the Board 16/10/2020

Definitions

“**Rules**” means those rules adopted by the Tallwoods Golf Club Board on 18/11/2018 in accordance with Clause 13C of the Tallwoods Golf Club Incorporated Constitution.

“**Golf Course**” means the land and the Clubhouse Facility owned by the OWNER, adjacent to the area known as Tallwoods Village Estate at Halliday’s Point.

Introduction

These Rules, in conjunction with the Constitution of the Tallwoods Golf Club Incorporated ("the Club") and any Deed of Licence between the Club and the owners of the golf course, are intended to protect the rights and privileges of members of the Club and to ensure the enjoyment of the Club by members and their guests.

These Rules will be enforced by the Club Board, whose duty it will be to ensure that members and their guests obtain all the benefits of the Club due to them.

Members and guests are expected to co-operate with the Board and Tallwoods Country Club staff where applicable, in the enforcement of these Rules. The Board may at any time establish additional rules and may alter or amend these Rules at any time

General

1.1 Use of Facilities

The Golf Course and other facilities are provided for the use of members, their guests and all other such persons as may be entitled from time to time to the use of the golf course and other facilities. The use of the facilities by members, their guests and those other persons must be in accordance with these Rules and any other conditions set by the Club Board and the OWNER.

1.2 Hours of Operation

The hours of operation of the golf course and other facilities will be set from time to time by the owners of the golf course.

1.3 Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are not to be used on the golf course and must be turned off at all times. Exceptions apply for emergency use and for Directors of the Club engaged in the conduct of a Competition.

1.4 Canvassing

Canvassing for donations for charities (or otherwise) is not permitted on or about the golf course or facilities without the express permission of the owners of the golf course and the approval of the Board.

1.5 Complaints

The golf course and facilities staff are employed to provide service to members and others. Any complaints about service must be made in writing to the Owner's of the golf course, with a copy to The Golf Club's Secretary. No employee shall be directly reprimanded or instructed by a member, guest or other person.

1.6 Pets

Member's Dogs or other pets apart from seeing-eye dogs are not permitted on the golf course at any time except when under control via a leash. Owners of animals are responsible for any damage caused by their animals and for removal of any animal wastes deposited by their animals.

1.7 Alcohol

No alcoholic beverages may be brought onto the golf course. Intoxication on the golf course in or in proximity to any facilities is an incident which may require that they remove themselves from the Course or facility immediately. In addition, such actions may be forwarded to the Club's Board for appropriate action.

1.8 Membership Cards

Each member may be provided with a membership card which must be carried while on the golf course and must not be lent or given to any other person for any reason. Loss of membership cards should be reported to the Board and the owners of the golf course. Until the Board and the owners are notified of the loss a member will be responsible for any charges incurred in the members name and a fee may be charged for a replacement card.

1.9 Reporting Injuries and other damage

Any incident causing injury to persons or damage to property must be reported immediately to the owners of the golf course or their representative/employer available at the time of the occurrence; the Board should also be informed. Personal injury or property damage caused by a golf ball is the sole responsibility of the golfer who struck the ball.

1.10 Damage or Removal of Club Property

Members are responsible for any damage to or removal of Golf Course facility and Club property caused by themselves or by their guests.

1.11 Minors

Members are responsible for the actions of their children, grandchildren and children of guests while they are on the Golf Course or while using any of the facilities. All persons under the age of 12 must be accompanied at all times by an adult except if participating in special program designed for them.

1.12 Guests

Members are expected to familiarize their guests with the Rules of the Club and are responsible for the conduct, dress, any charges incurred and any damage caused by their guests whilst on the golf Course or whilst using any of the facilities.

1.13 Lakes and Water Hazards

Members will refrain from swimming in, playing in or retrieving lost golf balls from any water hazard or lake without the written permission of the Golf Course owner except where retrieving or playing a ball being used during a competition.

Rules for use of the Golf Course

2.1 Officer Responsible

The scheduling and organizing of all competition play for members is the role and responsibility of the Board. The Board may appoint a sub-committee to assist and/or a duty Officer's to conduct the competition. The Board Member or delegated person conducting the competition of the day will be responsible for the organization of all competitions and general use of the Golf Course by members.

2.2 Rules and Etiquette

All Members are expected to familiarize themselves and their guests with the Rules and etiquette of golf as published by the R&A, USAGA, Golf Australia and as published in the Clubs Fixtures Book.

2.3 Priority of Play

Subject to the permitted use of the Golf Course the following priorities of play shall be observed:

- a) Pennant Matches;
- b) Club matches;
- c) Competition play;
- d) Pairs(social);
- e) 3 ball and 4 ball play(social);
- f) Singles play(social)

2.4 Dress Code

Men	Ladies
Permitted	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tailored shorts, should be approximately knee length• Tailored trousers• Neat Denim Neat Cargo shorts and pants, or pants with external side pockets on the trouser legs• 'Traditional' golf attire 'plus-fours'• Collared shirts• Neat Skivvies• Collarless shirts are acceptable if specifically designed for golf (eg. Golf polo, turtle-neck shirts, mock-tees and skivvies with rolled collars)• Men must wear neat socks; long, short or ankle socks are acceptable• Golf shoes are the preferred footwear, and must have soft spikes only• Shoes that are not golf shoes must enclose the feet and have flat soles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tailored shorts, ¾-length pants skirts, skorts and dresses are acceptable• Tailored trousers• Neat Denim• Neat Cargo shorts and pants, or pants with external side pockets on the trouser legs• Collared shirts• Neat Skivvies• Collarless shirts are acceptable if specifically designed for golf (eg. Golf polo, turtle-neck shirts, mock-tees and skivvies with rolled collars)• Ladies must wear neat socks; long, short or ankle socks are acceptable• Golf shoes are the preferred footwear, and must have soft spikes only• Shoes that are not golf shoes must enclose the feet and have flat soles• Sleeveless shirts are

	acceptable, if specifically designed for golf
Not Permitted	•
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football or sporting type shorts • Track suit pants/tops or any type of gymnasium attire • Draw string pants or shorts • Thongs, sandals, or bare feet • Tops displaying large motifs or advertising (an exemption applies on Corporate days where a common theme exists) • Sleeveless shirts or singlets • Football socks (or similar) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Football or sporting type shorts • Track suit pants/tops or any type of gymnasium attire • Draw string pants or shorts • Thongs, sandals, or bare feet. • Singlets • Tops displaying large motifs or advertising (an exemption applies on Corporate days where a common theme exists)

2.1 Motorised Golf Carts

Members are permitted to use their own personal golf carts within any general rules for such operation as from time may be promulgated by the owners of the golf course.

- a) Members are responsible for their guests, their families and their own safe operation of their carts and will do so such as not to interfere with fellow golfer's enjoyment of the course and will take care to guard against any injury to person or property, including but not limited to the playing surface of the golf course. The Club will not be liable for any accidents or damage caused by carts which will be the responsibility of members, whether or not the cart was operated by the member at the time or one of their family or one of their guests or any other person.
- b) Reckless driving of carts will result in disciplinary action which may include suspension or removal of rights to drive carts on the golf course.
- c) Those driving carts will observe safe procedures at all times and observe all signs and markers used for the purpose of guiding carts and will stay on paths where provided.
- d) Children under the age of 10 are not permitted to ride in any cart except where accompanied by an adult member.
- e) No more than 2 players and 2 golf bags are to be carried at any one time.
- f) Only electric powered golf carts (including golf buggies) are permitted on the Golf Course

Registration

3.1 Registration

All members and guests must register at the Golf Pro-Shop 15 minutes prior to tee time or intended hit-off time for competition and social play.

3.2 Play

All play will commence from the 1st tee unless directed otherwise by the Golf Pro-Shop. Cutting in is not permitted. Starting social play or a practice round from residences is not permitted unless authorised by the Golf Pro-Shop.

3.3 Tee Times

Tee times are required each day that the golf course is open for play and members can reserve times via the Golf Pro-Shop and on-line using the tallwoodsgolf.com.au or tgc.org.au websites. Names of members playing and club affiliations /Golflink numbers need to be provided if guests are booking times.

3.2 Cancellations

Cancellations must be notified to the Golf Pro-Shop as early as possible and at least one hour prior to tee time. Consideration should be given where cancellation is from a team event and consistent late cancellation from such events by members may lead to disciplinary action being taken.

4 Miscellaneous

4.1 Slow Play

Every effort should be made to eliminate slow play as it damages the pleasure of the game of golf. The following measures are to be followed to reduce slow play and all members should endeavour to follow them at all times:

- a) in par and Stableford competitions players must pick up their balls when they are unable to score a half or a point on a hole;
- b) players should hit off quickly from the tee. A provisional ball should be played if the original ball may be out of bounds or lost outside of a water hazard;
- c) an allowable stop at the Bunker after the completion of 9 holes should not exceed 5 minutes.
- d) players should always be ready to play their shot when their turn comes;
- e) the low marker is responsible for keeping the groups position in the field which is close to the group in front not ahead of the group behind.
- f) On completion of a hole players must immediately proceed to the next tee, tee off if the next group is out of range, and then mark cards for the previous

hole. It is not necessary to play “honours” when teeing off in a non-match play competition.

- g) From time to time the Board will undertake initiatives to improve pace of play. Where Members fail to comply with these initiatives such failure may result in disciplinary action being taken.

4.2 Care of the Course

- a) All players should take care to ensure that the course is not needlessly damaged by their play and that any damage is immediately repaired.
- b) Players are reminded that:
- 1) the low marker in the group should encourage the members of the group to;
 - repair of pitch marks
 - filling of divots
 - tidying of bunkers
 - maintaining speed of play
 - 2) that players are required to carry sand buckets and to repair divot holes;
 - 3) lob marks on greens must also be repaired by restoring the depressed grass and pressing back the surface with a putter head;
 - 4) that players must repair the surface of bunkers when they have played a shot from them. Bunker rakes should be left in the flat areas in bunkers, near access points, pointing in the direction of play;
 - 5) hand carts should not be wheeled on the green surrounds, particularly between greens and bunkers where the concentration of traffic causes wear;
 - 6) motorized buggies must be used with care and must never be driven within 10 metres of the greens, tees, hazards, basins or into areas defined by yellow lines adjacent to greens and must not be used to tow hand carts or golf buggies;
 - 7) drivers must follow designated paths & signs and should avoid driving over worn patches on fairways especially near the end of paths;
 - 8) Drivers should be careful when driving up or down slopes when wheel slip can cause excessive wear.

4.3 Practice

Members must use the designated areas for practice and must under no circumstances use the regular tees, greens or fairways for practice other than when playing a practice round. A maximum of two balls may be played when playing a practice round.

4.4 Players must have own golf clubs and bag

Each player on the golf course must have their own set of clubs and bag. The Club will not be responsible for lost, damaged or stolen bags, clubs or other personal property.

4.5 Adverse Weather

All players are expected to exercise reasonable common sense when confronted by severe weather and are requested to leave the golf course and seek appropriate shelter. It is the player's responsibility to act according with Rule 6-8 of the Rules of Golf, Discontinuance of Play/Resumption of play.

4.6 Marshalls

Marshalls may be on duty to help regulate play and enforce rules for the use of the golf course. They have the full authority of the Club to direct Members as they see fit to enforce any rules of the Club and to ensure correct speed of play.

4.7 Handicaps

The Board, on the advice of the Captain, may make adjustments to any member's handicap if they see valid reasons to do so.

4.8 Junior and Cadet Members

The Club reserves the right to establish policies relating to play by junior and cadet members and generally unless they are entitled to golfing privileges as a junior member they should play with an adult member and should be at least 12 years old – 8 years old for cadet members. Juniors and cadets are expected to follow the rules and etiquette of golf in the same way as adult members.

4.9 Breaches of the Rules of Golf and these Rules of the Club

Breaches of any rules of golf and these Rules of the Club, including but not limited to repeated breaches, may result in disciplinary action leading to suspension or termination of membership.

4.10 Conditions of Play

Members are bound by the Conditions of Play as determined by the Board from time to time and that the Board's interpretation of those Conditions of Play is binding on Members. Where a member is dissatisfied with the Board's interpretation of the Conditions of Play they may lodge a written objection within fourteen (14) days of being notified of the Board's decision. Once the Board has considered the objection the Board's decision is final and no further appeal is permissible.