

Port Elizabeth Golf Club

Bye-Laws and General Provisions



1. **BYE-LAWS**

a. **General Provisions**

1. The rights and privileges of members shall be confined to the right of entering in and upon the Club House and Golf Course and to the use and enjoyment thereof in accordance with their respective class of membership, subject to such restrictions as the Committee may from time to time impose.
2. Membership of the Club shall not give to nor confer upon any members of any class any right, title, interest, or claim in or to any of the monies, property, furniture or other assets of the Club.
3. Notwithstanding anything herein before contained, the Committee shall have the right to charge an entrance fee in respect of the Course and Club House or any portion thereof upon occasions when the same shall be used for any tournament or other special purpose.
4. No advertising matter, pamphlet or circular of any description shall be placed or posted within the precincts of the Club House or on the Course without the consent of the Committee.
5. All complaints shall be made in writing to the Manager or Secretary and shall bear the signature of the member or members so complaining. Unsigned complaints will be treated as anonymous material and will not be considered by the Committee.
6. The Committee shall have the power to make, alter, or repeal bye-laws for the regulation of the affairs of the Club and it shall be deemed that due notice of any such addition, alteration or repeal has been given if posted on the Club Notice Board for a period of ten days.
7. CONTROL of NON-MEMBERS.
 - a. The Committee may, by any means considered effective, impose such restrictions upon entry into the Club premises or play on the Club's Course as it considers necessary for the protection of the rights of members or in the interests of the Club.
8. The Committee shall be entitled to increase subscriptions for any financial year by a percentage not exceeding 15%. In the event, however, of the Committee wishing to impose an increase higher than the aforesaid, the Committee shall convene a Special General Meeting for approval of such proposed increase.
9. Lightning Policy. The Club does not involve itself in the management of the risk of lightning and accepts no liability for any injury or death caused through a lightning strike.
 - lightning is dangerous
 - players play at their own risk
 - the Club has no detection or warning system in place
 - there are no shelters on the course
 - the onus is on the players to decide when to stop play and take shelter
 - any player may discontinue play if he or she feels threatened
 - the onus is on the player to decide to resume play
 - the only safe place on the premises is in the clubhouse.
10. Smoking. Restrictive measures for the control of smoking are in effect and the Club is obliged to comply with all the regulations and provisions as laid down in the Tobacco Legislation Act. Smoking is only permitted in the designated area advised by notice posted on the Club notice board.

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b. General House Provisions

1. The hours during which the Club House, Bar and Restaurant shall be open and during which refreshments may be served shall be decided by the Committee. The Club House may, in the discretion of the Committee, be closed on Christmas Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday. Notice of intention to close shall be posted on the Club Notice Board seven days in advance.
2. The Manager's office shall be open during such hours as the Committee may decide.
3. No member shall be allowed to bring into the Club premises any liquor for use or consumption thereof.
4. All articles of glass or any effects broken or damaged by any Member or his guest shall be paid for by such Member.
5. Honorary, Temporary and Junior Members shall not have the privilege of introducing guests to the Club House except in such special instances as the Committee may specifically approve.
6. In no instance shall a Member reprimand or punish a servant of the Club. Complaints must be addressed to the Manager/Secretary who may require that these be put in writing, duly signed.
7. The Club shall in no way be responsible for any act or omission of any agent or employee which may occasion loss by theft, or through any other cause, of the property of any Member or his guest, which is brought on to or left on the Club's premises.
8. BILLIARD ROOM REGULATIONS.
 - No cigarettes, cigars, pipes, bottles, glasses or other articles liable to cause damage shall be placed on the edge or near any billiard table. Smoking over the table is strictly prohibited.
 - Sitting or lying on the tables is strictly prohibited and Members must, whenever necessary, use the rest.
 - Members cutting the Billiard cloths or damaging Club Cues or rests shall be held responsible for such damage.
 - Cues provided by the Club are for use of any member and must be replaced in the racks after use.
 - A Member shall engage a table by writing his name or initials on the slate provided for this purpose and shall be entitled to play in the order in which his name appears and as a table is vacated.
 - The Manager/Secretary may, when occasion arises, reserve any table or tables for matches, tournaments or displays.
9. Members on election shall be supplied with a copy of the Constitution and Bye-Laws of the Club. They shall however be bound by these Regulations whether such copy is supplied to them or not, and they shall be required to make themselves conversant with all the regulations therein contained.
10. Prizegiving – players will forfeit prizes in Club Competitions if they are not present at prizegiving, unless prior apology is made to the scorer, golf manager or committee and a person has been nominated to collect a prize on their behalf. The request by a competition sponsor to award a prize only if the winner is present at prizegiving will be heeded. Players are expected to respect the presence of sponsors, invited guests, officials, and the Club executive when attending prizegiving and dress accordingly.
11. The President, Vice-President, Captain and Vice-Captain or any three of them may at any time exercise discretionary powers in urgent matters without prior reference to the Committee, provided that a full report on any action taken be placed before the Committee at the next Meeting for ratification.

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12. (m) DRESS REGULATIONS

On the GOLF COURSE - Sports clothing

Dress will be appropriate golfing wear at all times.

~ **SHIRTS** **Recognised golf shirts with collars and sleeves and specifically golf designed polar neck or turtle neck shirts.**

Not acceptable ~ *Shirts not tucked into waistband. T-shirts and garments with large motifs, slogans or messages.*

~ **TROUSERS** **Tailored long trousers or golf shorts fitted with belts.**

Not acceptable ~ *Denim jeans, elastic and drawstring long trousers or shorts, tracksuits and multi coloured beach or combat trousers/shorts.*

~ **SOCKS** **Sport socks - long or ankle high short socks.**

Not acceptable ~ *Patterned or striped sports hose ie. Rugby, soccer or hockey socks. Secret socks or rolled down long socks.*

~ **SHOES** **Recognized golf shoes with SOFT SPIKES.**

Not acceptable ~ *Metal spikes, footwear without socks ie. Sandals and thongs. Cricket, athletic or canvas shoes.*

In the CLUBHOUSE - Hospitality areas.

Smart casual is the required dress standard.

Shirts with collars and sleeves and tucked into waistband.

Conventional long trousers.

Tailored shorts with long hose.

Closed shoes with socks.

Designer shirts worn outside of waistband.

Smart denim clothing.

Not acceptable ~ *Inappropriate trousers, tracksuits and T-shirts.*

Bold advertising or slogans on garments.

Workwear - overalls, boiler suits etc.

Hats and caps may not be worn in the hospitality areas of the Clubhouse.

Gentlemen are required to be changed from sports clothing prior to prize giving on competition days.

Sundays are considered as family days and the dress in the Clubhouse is generally relaxed for Members and Visitors, but not on the Course.

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The above rules do not apply to children under the age of 12 who should be accompanied by parents and be neatly dressed.

MANAGEMENT RETAINS THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY STANDARD OR ITEM OF CLOTHING AS BEING ACCEPTABLE OR NOT AND TO REQUEST AN INDIVIDUAL NOT PROPERLY DRESSED TO VACATE THE COURSE OR CLUB PREMISES.

Changing of clothes may only take place in the change rooms.

Metal spiked shoes are expressly prohibited throughout the Club House and golf course.

Relaxing of dress standards in the Club House over peak holiday periods, to accommodate visitors, and/or Sundays is at the discretion of the committee and will not include the course where proper golf attire will be worn at all times.

The right of admission to play the course, utilize practice facilities or enter the Club House is reserved.