



# BAXENDEN & DISTRICT GOLF CLUB LIMITED



## GOLF CLUB ETIQUETTE

(Based on Section 1 of the Rules of Golf)

### MODE OF ADDRESS

- The President and Captain should be given the full courtesy of their office and addressed as Mr President and Mr Captain.

### COURTESY ON THE COURSE

#### Behaviour during play

- No-one should move, talk or stand close to or directly behind the ball or the hole when a player is addressing the ball or making a stroke.
- The player who has the honour should be allowed to play before his opponent or fellow competitor tees his ball.

### CONSIDERATION FOR OTHER PLAYERS

- No player should play until the players in front are out of range. In the interest of all, players should play without delay.
- Players searching for a ball should signal the players behind them to pass as soon as it becomes apparent that the ball will not be easily found; they should not search for 3 minutes before doing so.
- They should not continue to play until the players following have passed and are out of range.
- When the play of a hole has been completed, players should immediately leave the putting green.

### PRIORITY ON THE COURSE

- The President and Captain have, at all times, priority on the 1st tee and at no time should be delayed on the course.
- Mondays are considered to be Ladies Day. It should be remembered that some ladies have commitments which necessitate their playing in the late afternoon or early evening. However, all members are able to play on this date if required
- In the absence of special rules, two-ball matches should have precedence over and be entitled to pass any three or four ball match.
- A single player has no standing and should give way to a match of any kind.
- Any match playing a whole round is entitled to pass a match playing a shorter round.
- If a match fails to keep its pace on the course and loses more than one clear hole on the players in front, it should allow the match following to pass.

### CARE OF THE COURSE

#### Holes in the bunkers

- Before leaving a bunker a player should carefully fill up and smooth over all holes and footprints made therein. Restore Divots and Plug Marks
- Through the green, a player should ensure that any turf cut or displaced is replaced at once and pressed down, and that any damage to the putting green by the ball or the player is carefully repaired.



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### **Damage to Greens – Flagsticks, Bags, etc.**

- Players should ensure that, when putting down bags or the flagstick, no damage is done to the putting green and that neither they nor their caddies damage the hole by standing close to it, handling the flagstick or in removing the ball from the hole before the players leave the putting green.

### **Caddie Cars**

- Local Notices regulating the movement of caddie cars should be strictly observed.
- Damage through Practice Swings
- In taking practice swings, players should avoid causing damage to the course, particularly the tees, by removing divots.