

ROSSMERE GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB

GOLF RULES AND ETIQUETTE

PLEASE READ AND ENSURE YOU ARE FAMILIAR WITH THIS INFORMATION:

As it states on the first hole of golf (#1 tee at the Old Course, St. Andrews, Scotland: "Your proper position on the golf course is directly behind the group in front of you, not directly in front of the group behind you." Please give your attention to the following tips:

At the tee-box

- Play "ready golf" at the tee - whoever is ready tees off, don't create a delay deciding who will tee off next.
- Let the shorter hitters hit first off the tee, if the golfers ahead are too close for the longer hitters to proceed.
- Don't practice on the tee-box.

On the Fairway

- Be in position and ready when it is your turn to hit - decide which club you will use while you are walking to your ball.
- Pull your clubs right up beside your ball, you don't want to backtrack at all to return to your clubs after hitting your ball.
- Drive your cart close to the ball while remaining outside all marked and roped off areas.
- Take several clubs to your ball if you are not sure which one to use when you cannot bring your clubs close to the ball.
- Don't waste time looking for lost balls.
- Let players behind you play through if you decide to look for balls in the bush. (maximum 5 minutes)

When Putting

- Walk to your ball on the green and line it up right away, so you will be ready to putt when it is your turn.
- Ensure that someone is putting at all times.
- Leave the green and the green area immediately after the flag is replaced in the hole - golfers behind you will not be able to proceed until you have left the area.
- Don't count or write down your score until you arrive at the next tee-box. Discussion should take place after you leave the green.

General Etiquette ...

- Quiet must be maintained when someone is hitting.
- For safety's sake, always stand behind a person who is hitting.
- The player farthest away from the hole hits next.
- Ensure that the golfers in front of you are out of your range before hitting.
- Replace all divots which you displace while hitting.
- Rake sand traps after use and leave the rake outside the trap.

- Keep all pull carts and power carts at least 30 feet away from the greens.
- Pull your clubs or drive your cart to the cart path on the side when approaching the green.
- Repair ball marks on greens even if they aren't yours.
- While on the green do not step on the line of play between any ball and the hole.
- Stand still and do not distract other players while they are putting.
- Observe the better players and learn from them.
- *Consider picking up your ball after reaching double par on any single hole if another group is behind you*

Practice Facility Rules

Putting and Chipping Green (east of clubhouse)

- Putting and chipping only
- No pitching or flop shots

Practice Pitching Green and Bunkers (west of driving range)

- Access by using the designated route only (south side of 18th fairway)

Driving Range

- Adhere to posted "bell ringing" procedures
- If there is no yellow rope, hit from mats only. If there is a yellow rope, hit from immediately behind the yellow rope only.

Golfers playing 16 or 18

- Adhere to posted "bell ringing" procedures

Rules violation may result in suspension of privileges

ENJOY YOUR GAME!