

Bad Weather Policy

Lightning – IT IS THE PLAYERS RESPONSIBILITY TO LEAVE THE COURSE AS SOON AS LIGHTENING IS SEEN.

In the event of lightning in the area, golfers out on the courses are advised to cease playing. They should go to the nearest shelter or building until the lightning has moved away. Then they may return to their places on the course and complete their round.

If green fee-paying golfers decide to abandon their round, rather than wait for the lightning to cease, refunds will not apply. Golfers on the first tee will be advised of any lightning that is evident or imminent close, but it is their decision whether or not to play. If they miss their tee-time as a result, reasonable endeavours will be made to reschedule either later that day or the following day depending on availability.

In an organised event, the decision to suspend or stop play lies with the tournament organiser. In the case of Dale Hill competitions, the responsibility lies with Dale Hill staff running the event.

If the organiser decides to suspend play, three blows of the claxon will be made, and play is suspended. Golfers should shelter or return to the clubhouse, when play re-starts a further 3 blows of the claxon will be made.

Fog - Poor Visibility Fog/Mist

Golfers must take extra care to check where they are hitting is clear of other golfers and green-keeping staff in poor visibility. Anyone playing in poor visibility conditions does so entirely at their own risk. Anyone deciding to go ahead and play in poor visibility will not be entitled to a refund unless the course closes.

If visibility is down to less than 250 yards on any part of the course, then play will be suspended until conditions improve. The decision to close the course for fog lays with the greens staff/Professional staff as fog can fall at any time of the day. If there is ever any doubt whether the course is safe to play due to foggy conditions the course will close.

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Heavy Rain

When heavy rain is expected, the holes are moved to high ground where possible. If it is still impossible to putt out, then the course will be temporarily closed and play suspended. Golfers on the course should take shelter. When it is possible to restart, golfers should resume their game at their places on the course. If golfers decide to abandon their game, rather than wait for the rain to cease, refunds will not apply.

Golfers on the first tee will be advised that the course is temporarily closed, and reasonable endeavours will be made to re-schedule, but they may lose their starting time. If visiting golfer's times cannot be re-scheduled, they will be offered a refund.

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