



Dear Parent/Guardian,

Please find attached the invoice for the coming year's Annual Junior Subscriptions.

Following the enactment of the Children First Act 2015, Golf Clubs have a legal obligation to publish a Child Safeguarding Policy and appoint designated personnel to oversee its compliance.

Castlewarden Golf Club in complying with the legislation has suitably amended its Constitution and has published a copy the Club's Child Safeguarding Policy and the Children First Act 2015 on our website.

The Safeguarding Policy necessitates that the following documents be completed and signed by the Junior Member and Parent/Guardian before membership is renewed:

1. Code of Conduct for Juniors
2. Parental/Guardian Consent
3. Guidelines for Parents/Guardians

Please return the signed documents to Castlewarden Golf Club as soon as possible

If there are any queries or require further explanations, please contact us.

Yours faithfully,

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Hon Secretary

## Code of Conduct for Juniors

Golf wishes to provide the best possible environment for all juniors involved in the sport. Juniors deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities, free of abuse of any kind. These participants have rights, which must be respected, and responsibilities that they must accept. Juniors should be encouraged to realise that they have responsibilities to treat other participants and Golf Leaders with fairness and respect.

Juniors are entitled to:

- Be safe and to feel safe
- Be listened to and believed
- Have fun and enjoy golf
- Have a voice in relation to their activities within golf
- Be treated with dignity, sensitivity and respect
- Participate on an equitable and fair manner, regardless of gender, appearance, age, ability, religion or belief, disability, social and ethnic background or political persuasion etc.
- Experience competition at a level at which they feel comfortable
- Make complaints and have them dealt with
- Be safe from risk of bullying behaviour
- Say No to things that make them feel unsafe
- Privacy and Confidentiality

Juniors should always:

- Give their friends a second chance
- Treat Golf Leaders with respect, (including professionals, coaches, convenors, club officials, etc.)
- Look out for themselves and the welfare of others
- Play fairly at all times, do their best
- Be organised and on time, tell someone if you are leaving a venue or competition
- Respect team members, even when things go wrong
- Respect opponents, be gracious in defeat
- Abide by the rules set down by team managers when travelling to away events, representing the club, school, province or country, etc.
- Behave in a manner that avoids bringing golf into disrepute
- Talk to the Children's Officer within the club if they have any problems

Juniors should never:

- Cheat
- Use violence or engage in irresponsible, abusive, inappropriate or illegal behaviour
- Shout or argue with officials, team mates or opponents
- Harm team members, opponents or their property
- Bully or use bullying tactics to isolate another player or gain advantage
- Take banned substances, drink alcohol, smoke or engage inappropriate sexual behaviour
- Keep secrets, that may leave them or others at risk

- Tell lies about adults / juniors or spread rumours
- Discriminate against other players on the basis of gender, appearance, age, ability, religion or belief, disability, social and ethnic background or political persuasion

Printed name of Junior \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Parental/Guardian Consent From**

Full Name of Player:

\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Players Mobile No (in case of emergency1): \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Mobile(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Players E-Mail1 (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Parents E-mail(s): \_\_\_\_\_

### **MEDICAL/BEHAVIOURAL INFORMATION**

\_\_\_\_\_

Please include all medical details that might be relevant in dealing with your child in a safe manner, such as allergies, medication, dietary, special needs, etc.

Date of last Tetanus Injection: \_\_\_\_\_

Doctors Name, address and contact phone number: \_\_\_\_\_

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### **PARENT/GUARDIAN Section**

Full Name of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Address (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number (if different from above): \_\_\_\_\_

Name and mobile number of alternative adult to be contacted in case of emergency:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

### **Declaration**

**I am the Parent/guardian of:** \_\_\_\_\_

- I hereby consent to the above child participating in golf activities of the Club in line with Golf's Safeguarding Policy.
- I confirm that all details are correct and I am able to give parental consent for my child to participate in and travel to all activities.
- I am happy for me, and my child, to receive appropriate communication through text and email.
- I understand that photographs/videos will be taken during or at golf related events and may be used in the promotion of golf, including social media.
- If selected for teams, I confirm I am happy with the travel arrangements the Club may arrange for my child.

- I acknowledge that the Club is not responsible for providing adult supervision for my child except for formal junior coaching, matches and competitions.

These details are optional and contact will be made via the parents directly unless specific consent and reason agreed for direct communication with young people and even then, this should be done in a group communication.

- I understand and agree that my son/daughter in my care be bound by the above Code of Conduct whilst representing the Unions and I absolve all its representatives from all liability and/or claims for illness, injuries and damage that may arise directly as a result of my son/daughter breaching conditions set out in this document.

#### **PARENT/GUARDIAN STATEMENT**

I will inform the coaches/designated liaison person of any important changes to my child's health, medication or needs and also of any changes to our address or phone numbers given. In the event of illness, having parental responsibility for the above named child, I give permission for medical treatment to be administered where considered necessary by a nominated first aider, or by suitably qualified medical practitioners. If I cannot be contacted and my child should require emergency hospital treatment, I authorise a qualified medical practitioner to provide emergency treatment or medication.

**SIGNATURE OF PARENT/ GUARDIAN:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

**PRINT NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Parents/Guardian Guidelines Code of Conduct**

As a parent/guardian of a junior member, we would encourage you to consider the following messages as Golf wants to help you continue supporting your child to reach their full potential and enjoy their time within golf, therefore please

To help your child have a positive experience remember to:

- Focus on what your child wants to get out of golf
- Be the best role model you can be
- Help your child achieve their potential
- Be respectful of other children and coaches
- Communicate with the coach and club/organisation

***Parents are expected to co-sign their child's code of conduct form and this specific parental expectation form.***

Golf and its affiliated organisations believe that parents should:

- Be a role model for your child and maintain the highest standards of conduct when interacting with juniors, other parents, officials and organizers.
- Always behave responsibly and do not seek to unfairly affect a player or the outcome of the game

- Never intentionally expose any junior to embarrassment or disparagement using flippant or sarcastic remarks.
- Always recognize the value and importance of the officials and volunteers who provide sporting and recreational opportunities for your child. Do not publicly question the judgement or honesty of referees, coaches or organisers.
- Respect convenors, professionals, coaches, referees, organisers and other players. Parents are welcome to attend events and coaching sessions but should not interfere with the coach or professional while working with the player.
- Encourage your child to play by the rules. Teach your child that honest endeavour is as important as winning and do all you can to encourage good sportsmanship.
- Set a good example by applauding good play. Encourage mutual respect for teammates and opponents.
- Parents should support all efforts to remove abusive behaviour and bullying behaviour in all its forms. Please refer to
  - Anti-bullying policy guidance
  - Respect;
  - The rules and procedures set down by Golf.
- My child's teammates and leaders as well as players, parents and coaches from opposing teams.
- I will never demonstrate threatening or abusive behaviour or use foul language.

Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by a Golf official. Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/guardian being asked not to attend competitions if their attendance is detrimental to the child's welfare.

Signature of  
Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Printed name of  
Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**I confirm that I have the consent of the member to share their details with Golf Ireland for the purposes of handicap administration and utilising the World Handicap System.**

Tick below

**I confirm that this golf club has made the member aware that if they choose to be allocated a Handicap Index (HI), their golf scores and HI will be made available to other members of this golf club via MyGolf, Golf Ireland App and other technology platforms for the purpose of Peer Review.**

Tick below

- Annual membership is from January to December