



## Course Etiquette

Playing golf will be enjoyed by everyone if some basic rules of etiquette are observed. We encourage every player to adopt the following.

- Play without delay.
- Do not move, talk or stand too close when a player is playing their shot.
- Keep an eye on the line of each players shot so that they can find the ball quickly.
- If you have to spend too much time looking for your ball be considerate to those behind and if possible wave them through.
- Walk directly to your ball. Do not wander along.
- Get ready, without disturbing your partners, to play your next shot while they are playing.
- Be ready to play your shot immediately after they have played.
- At the green, leave your clubs at the side of the green where you will walk to the next tee.
- Try to line up your putt while others are playing and be ready to putt as soon as it is your turn.
- Do not mark your ball unnecessarily. Putt out if you can or, unless playing in CONGU qualifying competition, short putts should be conceded.
- Move away from the green before marking your card.
- If you fall behind the speed of play (One Hole is a good measure) then show good manners and let the party behind come through.
- Sand in bunkers should be smoothed or raked
- Make sure the rake is left in the centre of the bunker.
- Do not 'hook' the ball out of the hole with your putter as this can damage the hole.
- And please repair pitch marks, if not yours then do one that has been missed.

Following these basic rules of golf etiquette will make your own game and that of fellow golfers enjoyable.