



Luttrellstown Castle Junior Committee

Rules of Play

SAFETY FIRST

Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club is committed to ensuring the health and safety of all Junior Members. The responsibility to achieve this is shared between the Club, Junior Members, Parents and Legal Guardians.

1 Structured Play Categories

In order to ensure the health and safety of Junior Members the approach to supervised and unsupervised play for playing on the course, driving range and practice facilities is structured according to three categories:

- **Category 1 (Cat 1):** Junior Members are not allowed to play unsupervised at any time. They can play with family members and in junior competitions, organised by the Junior Committee. They are not permitted to play alone.
- **Category 2 (Cat 2):** Junior Members have a WHS golf club handicap and have been approved to play unsupervised by the Junior Committee. Approval is granted when the Junior Committee* is satisfied that the Junior Member demonstrates an appropriate level of skill, maturity, knowledge of the rules of golf, and golf etiquette. While playing unsupervised, a Cat 2 junior can play with fellow Junior Members and junior guests. They are not permitted to play alone.
- **Category 3 (Cat 3):** This category is a specific exemption to the rule that Junior Members cannot play alone. A Cat 3 Junior Member is allowed to play alone on the course. This status is granted to a Junior Member who possesses a strong knowledge of the rules of golf and the maturity to ensure their own safety and the safety of other players.

2. Approval and Consent

The Junior Committee will submit Junior Members they deem qualified to play unsupervised (Cat 2 and Cat 3), to the Ladies/Mens Committee for final approval, prior to player notification. In all cases a Junior Member must have signed consent from a parent to be in a position to play unsupervised. The Junior Committee will not consider unsupervised play without this signed consent.

3. Playing with Adults and Group Size

Junior Members cannot play with any adult on a one to one basis, unless that adult is their parent or legal guardian.

To ensure that juniors are never playing alone (unless they are a Cat 3 Junior), Junior Members cannot book a time slot as a single player. All bookings must be for a minimum of two players in the same time slot. A Junior Member is not permitted to book a single-player time slot and then join with other juniors who have booked individual slots immediately after to form a group. The integrity of the booking system must be respected by all members.

4. Booking and Attendance

On every occasion that a Junior Member is playing, they must book on BRS. The BRS system identifies them as Junior Members, which serves as a reminder to adult members that they are not permitted to play one-to-one with the Junior Member, unless they are a family member. Junior Members cannot simply show up and play without booking on BRS.

Additionally, Junior Members must sign into the Junior Members Attendance Book every time they play casual golf to ensure that resort security is aware that they are on the course. The book will be kept at reception to ensure it is available even when the pro shop is closed.

5 Compliance

Permission to play unsupervised can be withdrawn by the Junior Committee if they feel the Junior Member has not displayed the requisite maturity or adequate knowledge of the rules of golf on the course. In the unfortunate event that a Junior Member fails to comply with these rules, it may be necessary to suspend their membership, or in the case of repeated breaches, cancel their membership.

ALLOTTED PLAYING TIME

The club recognizes the importance of a vibrant, enthusiastic and active junior membership. As members of the club, juniors members share playing time with full paying members and some restrictions will apply to when they can play in competition and casual golf. The following rules apply to playing times for junior members and will be administered through the BRS system and the proshop:

1 Competition and Casual Booking

- 2 Junior Members are **not** permitted to book and play during the Club's main competition times listed below, unless they are entered in the competition and have a qualifying handicap to play in a full members' competition (see above). These times may change, but are currently:

Day	Competition	Times
Tuesday	Ladies Competition	09:00-12:00
Wednesday	Wednesday Series	09:00-14:00
Thursday	Thursday Open Singles	06:30-13:30
Saturday	Men's/Ladies Competition	06:30-13:30
Sunday	Men's/Ladies Competition	06:30-11:30

If a Junior Member is not playing with their parent or legal guardian who is a member of the Club, a playing slot for casual golf can only be booked:

- **One Week in Advance:** For all days except the main Saturday morning competition timeslot. For example, a Junior Member playing slot for a Monday can be booked on the preceding Monday.
- **Three Days in Advance:** For a Junior Member with a qualifying handicap who wishes to play in the main members' competition timeslot on a Saturday (6:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.). For example, a junior playing slot for the aforementioned time window can be booked on the preceding Wednesday. This allows full members to book any potential available slot on the same line in BRS.

3 Guests and Booking

Junior Members may bring up to three junior guests for casual golf provided that it occurs outside the competition times identified above. All guests must be a member of a club affiliated with Golf Ireland and have a WHS golf club handicap. No iGolf handicaps are permitted.



ENTRY TO COMPETITIONS

The Club is keen to allow Junior Members who are at the appropriate skill level to participate in Club competitions. The safety rules outlined above also apply to Junior Members participating in competitions.

The following rules apply to Junior Members entering competitions:

- 1 **Handicap Requirement:** Junior Members can play in the full members' competition once they have reached a WHS handicap of 18 or lower for males and 36 or lower for females.
- 2 **Winter Competitions:** During winter, when adult competitions are 14 holes, the dedicated junior competitions will be no more than 9 holes.
- 3 **Prizes:** Junior Members will play for separate junior prizes; they will not be eligible to win adult prizes.



Luttrellstown Castle Resort Golf Club Nomination Form for Junior Membership Candidate Details

Membership Type			
Name of Candidate			
Home Address			
Phone Number			
Gender			
Date of Birth		Email:	

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, special needs etc.

Date of last Tetanus Injection			
Doctor's Name			
Doctor's Address			
Doctor's Phone Number			

Parent/Guardian Information

Name of Legal Guardian/Parent/Grandparent			
Relationship to Candidate			
Address (if different to Candidate)			
Contact Details for Parent/Legal Guardian	Mobile Number:	Email:	

Handicap Details

Does the candidate have an official GI handicap	(Yes/No)				(Handicap)			
Which golf club administers the handicap								
What is the candidates 8-digit GI handicap number for this club								
Which club does the candidate want to administer their handicap								
Other clubs of which the candidate is a member								
Playing History								

Parent/Guardian Signature

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I hereby apply for membership of Luttrellstown Castle Golf and Country Club and Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club on behalf of my child and agree that both my child and I will be bound by the rules, Bye-Laws, and terms and conditions of the Club. (2)

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I hereby consent on behalf of my child to the sharing of their personal details (name, address, phone number, email, date of birth, gender, emergency contact) with Golf Ireland for the purposes of handicap administration and utilising the World Handicap System. (2)

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I acknowledge that by opting for my child to be allocated a Handicap Index, their golf scores and Handicap Index will be visible to other members of the club via MyGolf, Golf Ireland App, MasterScoreBoard, the Luttrellstown Members Website and other technology platforms, for the purposes of publishing competition results and peer review. (2)

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I understand that members of the Junior Committee are volunteers, and I am willing to assist the Junior Committee if required, subject to my availability

Signature:

Date:

(1) Junior membership is only available to children, grandchildren, or legal guardians of ordinary members.

(2) Where a grandparent is the ordinary member, the candidate's parent or legal guardian must complete this section.

Nominations

In our opinion the above-named candidate is suitable for membership, and we are pleased to support his/her application.

Name of Proposer (Print Name)		
Number of years Proposer has known the candidate		
Proposer Signature	Signature:	Date:
Name of Seconder (Print Name)		
Number of years Seconder has known the candidate		
Seconder Signature	Signature:	Date:
NOTE: THE PROPOSER AND SECONDER SHOULD BE ORDINARY MEMBERS		
Authorised Company Signature:	Signature:	Date:
ALL SELECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED AND AUTHORISED BY THE COMPANY BEFORE MEMBERSHIP CAN BE APPROVED		

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Procedures for providing certified playing handicap for competition purposes for the men's club at Luttrellstown GC.

If you have a playing handicap with a registered golf club then in order to compete in the Luttrellstown men's club competitions you must provide our handicap secretary (luttrellstownhandicap1@gmail.com) with a copy of your handicap certificate. This can easily be obtained from your club secretary.

If you do not have a registered handicap provided by GI then you must follow the below procedures:

- 1) You must provide three 18 hole completed scorecards to the handicap secretary.
- 2) These cards must be from the course at Luttrellstown Golf Club.
- 3) These cards must be signed by a registered member of Luttrellstown Golf Club who holds a current playing handicap.
- 4) Failure to provide these cards or a current handicap certificate will prohibit you from entering all competitions run by the Juniors club.
- 5) Completed cards should be marked "for handicap" and placed in the box for cards beside the log in computer.

SIGNED by Parent/Guardian: _____

SIGNED by Candidate: _____



**LUTTRELLSTOWN CASTLE GOLF CLUB PARENT / GUARDIAN CONSENT FOR UNSUPERVISED PLAY
(Cat 2 & Cat 3 Juniors)**

This form is required under paragraph 2 of the "Luttrellstown Castle Junior Committee Rules of Play".

Please read carefully, complete all sections in BLOCK CAPITALS and return the original to the Pro Shop or Junior Committee.

1. Details of Junior Member

Name of Junior Member: _____

Date of Birth: ____ / ____ / ____

WHS Handicap _____

Category applied for (tick): ☐ Cat 1 ☐ Cat 2 ☐ Cat 3

2. Purpose of this Consent

By signing this form, I confirm that I am the above-named Junior Member's parent or legal guardian and that:

I give my ***informed consent*** for my child to play golf at Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club ***without direct adult supervision*** in accordance with the Rules of Play.

I understand that Cat 2 Juniors may only play in the company of at least one other junior player, while Cat 3 Juniors may, if they wish, play alone.

I acknowledge that the Junior Committee may withdraw or suspend unsupervised-play privileges at its sole discretion.

3. Parent / Guardian Acknowledgements

1. ***Understanding of Risk*** – I am aware that golf involves physical activity, the use of sporting equipment and exposure to natural hazards. I accept that, while the Club will take a reasonable care for the safety of its members, ***some risk of injury, loss or damage cannot be eliminated.***

2. ***Rules & Conduct*** – My child and I have read, understand and will ensure compliance with:

- The Rules of Play (including booking on BRS and signing the Attendance Book); and
- The Rules of Golf, Code of Conduct and normal golf etiquette.

3. ***Medical Treatment*** – In an emergency where I cannot be contacted, I authorise the Club to arrange any urgent medical treatment for my child, including transport to hospital, and I agree to meet any associated costs.

4. ***Data Protection*** – I consent to the Club processing the personal data provided on this form for the purpose of administering junior golf activities. I understand that the Club will handle this data in accordance with applicable Irish and EU data-protection law and that I may withdraw consent at any time by writing to the Club Secretary.

5. ***Liability*** – I agree that the Club, its officers and staff are not liable for any loss, damage or injury suffered by my child or his/her property ***except where caused by the Club's negligence or wilful default.***



4. Right to Withdraw

I understand that I may revoke this consent at any time by written notice to the Junior Committee.

5. Parent / Guardian Details & Signature

Name (print): _____

Relationship to Junior: _____

Address: _____

Mobile Phone: _____ Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Administrator Use Only

For Resort Use Only

Received by: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

☐ Recommended for Cat 1 ☐ Recommended for Cat 2 ☐ Recommended for Cat 3

☐ Not Recommended

Luttrellstown Resort Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

For Junior Club Use Only

Received by: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

☐ Recommended for Cat 1 ☐ Recommended for Cat 2 ☐ Recommended for Cat 3

☐ Not Recommended

Junior Committee Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

For Senior Committee Use Only

☐ Approved for Cat 1 ☐ Approved for Cat 2 ☐ Approved for Cat 3

☐ Not Approved

Ladies/Mens Committee Signature: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____



Juniors Code of Conduct

Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club wishes to provide the best possible environment for all juniors involved in the golf. 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 in an equitable and fair manner, regardless of gender, appearance, age, ability, religion or belief, gender identity, 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/organisation 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
- Use bullying tactics to isolate another player or gain advantage
- Take banned substances, drink alcohol, smoke or engage in 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, gender identity, 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: _____



Parents/Guardians Code of Conduct

Parents are expected to co-sign their child's code of conduct form and this specific parental expectation form. As a parent/guardian of a junior member, we would encourage you to consider the following messages as Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club 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

Luttrellstown Castle Golf Club 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 organisers.
- 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 recognise 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.
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.
 - Your child's teammates and leaders as well as players, parents and coaches from opposing teams.
- 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