

NAAS GOLF CLUB

Manual – Rules

**For Youth Members
in the following categories**

Primary Members

Juvenile Members

Junior Members

NAAS GOLF CLUB (*The Club*)

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INTRODUCTION

This Manual is an informal guide for the instruction and information of Youth Members and their parents / guardians.

In the event of any conflict between the contents of this Manual and the Constitution and Rules or Bye-Laws of the Club, the Constitution and Rules or Bye-Laws of the Club shall prevail.

Definitions

G. U. I. means the Golfing Union of Ireland

I. L. G. U. means the Irish Ladies Golfing Union

R. & A. means The Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews

Youth Members Section managed by the Youths Committee Naas Golf Club

Primary Members	-	Up to the age of 13
Juvenile Members	-	13 years of age+, and under the age of 16
Junior Members	-	16 years of age+, and under the age of 19

**Refer to the Constitution and Rules of the Club under the following Rules:-
4.2.6.1 – 4.2.6.2 – 4.2.6.3**

GOLF ETIQUETTE – PLAYING RULES etc..

Rules

The Constitution and Rules of Naas Golf Club are available on the Club's website (www.naasgolfclub.com). Youth Members and their parents/guardians are requested to read these rules and to observe the Rules at all times

Rules of Dress

The following items of dress are not acceptable on the Course or in the Clubhouse:-

- + **Tracksuits or Leisure Suits**
- + **Singlets or Sleeveless Shirts without collars**
- + **Shorts other than tailored Shorts**
- + **Trouser legs tucked inside stockings**

Smart casual dress is essential in the Clubhouse

Footwear worn on the Course is not acceptable in the Clubhouse

Wearing of Caps / Hats are not acceptable in the Clubhouse

All golfers are requested to use golf footwear with soft spikes on the Course

NOTE:- Youth Members are responsible for their visiting guests to the club.

Refer to the following in the Club's Diary / Annual Fixture List:-

- # Local Club Rules (Check Notice Board for any amendments)**
- # Club Rules and Regulations**
- # Handicapping – The Player's Obligations**
- # The Rules of Golf Etiquette**
- # Recommendations for avoiding Slow Play**
- # Priority on the Course**

R. and A. Rules of Golf (In brief)

The R. and A. “ Golf Rules in Brief “, which are available from the Club Manager, must be carried by Youth Members while playing golf in Naas Golf Club, and / or while representing Naas Golf Club in any other club.

Representing Naas Golf Club

Players representing Naas Golf Club either in Naas Golf Club or in any other Club, are expected to behave in a manner which will bring credit to themselves, the team and to the Club.

Safety

- # On the 11th hole, the bell must be rung to indicate to players on 11th tee that it is safe to play.
- # No player may play a shot until the players in front are out of range.
- # Extreme care around water / water hazards on the 11th and 17th holes. Warning notices at water hazards must be adhered to.

Score Cards

- # No player may mark his / her own card.
- # The marker should check the score after each completed hole with the competitor, and record it.
- # On completion of the round, the marker should sign the score card and hand it to the competitor. The competitor should check his / her score and agree any doubtful points that may arise with the marker. If either the competitor or marker is in doubt on any point, they should seek clarification from the Youths Committee before signing and returning the score card. The competitor should ensure that the score card bears his / her name, handicap and title and date of the competition. The penalty for breach of the rule is disqualification from the competition.

Use of Naas Golf Course

Primary Members - Up to the age of 13

Juvenile Members - 13 years of age+, up to the age of 16

Junior Members - 16 years of age+, up to the age of 19

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A) **PRIMARY Youth Members may not use the Course, after 6 pm, unless accompanied by an adult member or playing in a Competition.**

B) **JUVENILE Youth Members, may not use the course, after 9pm unless accompanied by an adult member or playing in a competition.**

C) **Youth Members may not play the Course during a Club Competition, unless competing in said Competition.**

D) **Youth Members not playing in a competition, must give way to Adult Members.**

E) **Youth Members are required to display their current Membership Badge on their golf bags while playing on the Golf Course.**

F) **Youth Members may introduce guests / visitors subject to such regulations as shall from time to time be made by the Executive Committee of Naas Golf Club. Refer to Rule 17 of the Constitution and Rules of Naas Golf Club. (i.e. Youth Members may introduce up to 3 guests / visitors at concessionary green fee rates)**

HANDICAPS

- # **An official club handicap in accordance with G. U. I. / I. L. G. U. guidelines, may be allocated by the Club Handicap Secretary to all Youth Members who return 3 cards, each of 18 holes strokes, which must be signed by a playing member who holds an official club handicap. No player shall mark his / her own card. Cards must be marked after each hole.**

Cards should be posted in the appropriate competition returns box, and marked "For Handicap"

- # **For the purpose of Youth Member competitions, players will, if required, be allocated (unofficial) club handicaps by the Youth's Committee.**
- # **Youth Members who return scores in Golf Clubs other than Naas Golf Club, which result in their handicaps being reduced, are obliged to inform the Club Handicap Secretary of such scores.**
- # **Refer also to 'Handicapping, The Player's Obligations', in the Club's diary / annual fixture list.**

CLUB COMPETITIONS

Male Youth Members (Primary – Juvenile – Junior)

Male Youth Members with an official Club handicap of 18 or under, may participate in all Club competitions with the exception of:-

- + The Captain's Prize**
- + The President's Prize**
- + Thursday Rob / Larcen**

Male Youth Members with an official handicap of 18 or under, playing in Club 4ball or 4somes matchplay competitions, must be partnered by an Ordinary, 6-Day or Honorary Member.

Male Youth Members with an official handicap of 18 or under, playing in Members' Weekend Competitions, must play in the company of at least one Ordinary, 6-Day or Honorary Member.

Female Youth Members (Primary – Juvenile – Junior)

All Female Youth Members may play in all competitions and must comply with the rules as set out for all Lady Members.

All Female Youth Members may play in 'Major Day Competitions' (See under), but are not eligible to win 1st prize.

- + Captain's Prize**
- + President's Prize**
- + Men's Captains Prize to Ladies**
- + Men's Presidents Prize to Ladies**

YOUTH MEMBER COMPETITIONS

- # Competitions are held during school summer vacation months. (Refer to Club Diary). For the duration of these competitions, Youth Members will have precedence on the Golf Course.
- # Entry for competitions will be through the Club's Web-Site. (i.e. On-Line)
- # > The Captain's Cup to Youths*
> The President's Cup to Youths*
 - To qualify for 1st prize, competitors must have played in at least 2 previous Youth Member competitions in the current year.
- # **GOLFER of the YEAR**

Points will be awarded for designated weekly competitions as follows:-
Winner - 5 points Runner Up - 3 points Gross - 2 points 3rd Nett - 1 point

Points will be awarded for the Shaneman Cup (Match Play) as follows:-
Winner - 5 points. Runner Up - 3 points Beaten Semi Finalists - 1 point each.

The Golfer of the Year will be the player who has accumulated the most points.
- # Prizes will be presented to all winners at the end of the summer season. .
(Refer to Club Diary).

G. U. I. & I. L. G. U. OPEN COMPETITIONS

Youth Members with an official Club handicap may play in these competitions.

PRACTICE - PRACTICE FACILITIES

- # On the course, 2 balls only may be used for practice
- # The practice fairway, greens and bunkers are an integral part of the course. All divots or disturbance must be replaced or repaired immediately.

CLUB HOUSE FACILITIES

Bar

Youth Members under the age of 18 years are not permitted in the main Bar area.

Television Room

Television Room may be used by all Youth Members.

Locker Rooms and Dining Room

These facilities are available to all Youth Members.

TUITION- COACHING

Tuition in the rules and basics of the game of golf will be provided to Youth Members at regular intervals. Dates and times of tuition may be posted on the Youth Member's Notice Boards in the Clubhouse, the Pro Shop, and /or by way of mobile phone text / e-mail.

YOUTH MEMBER TEAMS

Team selections will be made by the Youths Committee. Club Jumper / shirt must be worn when representing the Club

DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Subject to the Constitution and Rules of the Club, minor disciplinary infringements by Youth Members will be handled and resolved by the Youths Committee.

Disciplinary matters of a serious nature, may be referred to the Executive Committee for consideration and action if deemed necessary. Refer to Rule 20 of the Club's Constitution and Rules.