



# Hawick Golf Club

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*“Voted runner-up friendliest course in the Scottish Borders – Visit Scotland 2013”*

## **BYE-LAWS**

### **Clubhouse**

1. No person will be admitted to the Clubhouse except members of the Club and such persons as are permitted in terms of Rules 28 and 29 of the Constitution.

### **Priority**

2. No player will be allowed to start play on the days fixed for competitions between the hours advertised unless taking part therein.
3. The Council will have power to reserve the Course for the playing of any competition or match, including Ladies' competitions and matches.

### **Starting and Mode of Play**

4. Interference with other games by cutting-in at any part of the Course is strictly prohibited. A game cutting-in during a round must always give way to any game playing a full round.
5. Any player is entitled to book the game in which he or she is to take part by personally entering their name on the Starting Sheet, the starred spaces being bookable at any time on the day preceding the day of play. The remaining spaces can only be booked on arriving at the Clubhouse on the day of play. Ties are bookable two clear days ahead.
6. Games consisting of more than four balls are not permitted.

### **Competitions**

7. The Council will arrange and conduct all Club competitions and have power to cancel or adjourn such competitions as deemed necessary or expedient. When a competition has been started it must be proceeded with under the Rules of Golf. The Council will have power to determine the manner in which ties and halved matches are decided. Before a member enters a competition, they must have their subs fully paid up, with the exception of those members who pay their subs monthly through the bank.
8. Ladies' competitions will be arranged and conducted by the Ladies' Committee in consultation with the Council.

#### *Club Purpose:*

*“To foster the game of golf for all players and make it a truly pleasurable experience to play golf at Hawick. We will endeavour to cater for the needs of everyone both on and off our beautiful course.”*

9. The Council will fix members' handicaps and keep a list of such handicaps exhibited in the Clubhouse. The handicaps of Lady members are fixed by the L.G.U. and similarly exhibited.
10. Before starting in handicap competitions members should check their handicaps with the official list in the Clubhouse.

#### **Turf**

11. Any turf cut or displaced by a player must at once be carefully replaced and pressed down with the foot.

#### **Dogs**

12. Dogs will not be allowed on the Course nor in the Clubhouse.

#### **LOCAL RULES**

1. All fences and dykes bounding the course, including the grazing fence at the 9th hole, and the fences round the plantations are out of bounds.
2. If a ball is played, goes and remains out of bounds, the penalty will be the loss of stroke and distance.
3. The only recognised bunkers on the course are those dressed with sand.
4. A ball in any cart track may be lifted and dropped without penalty.
5. A ball lying within two club lengths of any guide post or plantation fence may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole without penalty. This does not apply to the boundary fence.
6. A ball embedded in any part of a putting green shall be lifted and placed as near as possible to where it lay, but not nearer the hole without penalty.
7. A ball lying on a putting green may be lifted and cleaned and replaced without penalty. A ball lying in or close to dung may be lifted, cleaned and dropped not more than one club length behind, without penalty. If the ball is in a hazard the same rule will apply, but the ball must be dropped in the hazard.
8. A ball lying on a putting green other than that of the hole being played, 1st and 18th excepted, must be lifted and dropped outside the green, but not nearer the hole, without penalty.

9. Any ball played and found plugged on the fairway only, may be lifted and dropped as near as possible to where it lay, but not nearer the hole without penalty.
10. In all competitions, except winter medals, competitors must play off medal tees.