

# Player Code of Conduct Competitions

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## **Code of Conduct**

Breaches of the Code of Conduct include the following:

- a) Care for the course
  - i. Failure to repair pitch marks
  - ii. Not raking bunkers
  - iii. Not replacing divots
- b) Foul and abusive language or behaviour
- c) Abuse of equipment and the course
  - i. Throwing and breaking clubs
  - ii. De-facing and/or damaging on-course signage
  - iii. De-facing and/or damaging course equipment and furniture
- d) Acting disrespectfully towards other players, referees, volunteers and spectators
- e) Mis-use of Social Media & using social media in a critical or disrespectful manner towards any other party involved in the Competition
- f) Disobeying direct instructions in place during the Competition
- g) Acting in a manner contrary to the spirit of the game

*Please note this list is not exhaustive and other actions may be deemed a breach*

## **Penalties Applied**

The Competitions Committee may impose the following penalties for situations identified above:

- First breach – Warning or Committee Sanction
- Second Breach – General Penalty
- Subsequent Breach or any serious misconduct – Disqualification

Note 1: Any warnings or penalties applied under the Code of Conduct will be carried forward for the remainder of the Competition

Note 2: Any breach of the Code of Conduct by a player's caddie will result in sanctions being imposed against the player

Note 3: Wales Golf, at its discretion, have the right to prohibit any player from entering future Competitions in the event of breach of the Code of Conduct

Note 4: Any breach of the code of conduct during the official practice day will be treated the same as during the Competition itself

## **Committee Decision is Final**

The committee in charge of the Competition will impose any penalty, where applicable. Their decision is final.