Cumberland Country Golf Club

Visitor Competition Fees Virtual and Remote Golf Membership Policy

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish fair, consistent and transparent competition fees for visiting golfers who hold memberships with affiliated golf clubs, including virtual, remote and distance-based membership arrangements.

Cumberland Country Golf Club (the Club) recognises the importance of traditional golf club membership in supporting the ongoing maintenance, development and operation of physical golf courses and associated facilities.

The Club also recognises the availability of lower-cost membership arrangements designed primarily to provide access to a Golf Australia handicap without requiring regular participation in the facilities of the nominated home club. This policy maintains equitable competition pricing while preserving reasonable visitor access.

Scope and audience for this policy

This policy applies to visiting golfers entering Club competitions who are not financial golfing members of Cumberland Country Golf Club. It covers traditional affiliated golf club visitors, virtual golf memberships, remote and distance-based membership categories, and equivalent handicap-focused arrangements.

Existing reciprocal agreements and the rights of Cumberland members are not altered by this policy.

Visitor competition fees

Membership classification	Competition fee
Standard affiliated golf club visitor	$42.50
Virtual or qualifying remote membership visitor	$70.00

The additional fee for virtual and qualifying remote membership visitors is $27.50 per competition round. Fees are subject to review and amendment by the Board of Directors.

Membership classifications

Traditional affiliated golf club membership

A traditional affiliated golf club visitor holds a current playing membership with a recognised affiliated club that operates a physical golf course and provides substantive playing rights. Such visitors will ordinarily qualify for the standard visitor competition fee, subject to this policy.

Virtual golf membership

A virtual golf membership is a membership arrangement offered by an organisation that does not operate its own physical golf course and clubhouse and primarily provides a Golf Australia handicap, handicap administration or other membership services without substantive home-course playing privileges. The $70 competition fee applies.

Remote or distance-based golf membership

A remote or distance-based golf membership is a membership category offered by an affiliated club operating a physical golf course which is specifically designed or marketed to individuals residing outside the club's ordinary geographical area.

Relevant indicators may include distance-based eligibility, reduced subscriptions associated with remote membership, limited home-course playing rights and membership primarily used for maintaining a handicap while regularly playing elsewhere.

A golfer holding such a category who ordinarily resides outside the locality of the nominated home club will be charged $70 unless an exemption applies.

For administration, the Club will ordinarily treat residence within 100 kilometres of the nominated home club as local. This is a Club criterion, not a Golf Australia requirement. Management may consider geographical and exceptional circumstances.

Classification principles

Classification depends on the membership product and conditions, not solely the affiliated club's name. The same club may offer both traditional and remote products. Equivalent criteria will be applied consistently across similar arrangements.

Exemptions

The standard visitor competition fee may apply where a visitor reasonably demonstrates one or more of the following:

- They ordinarily reside within the locality of their nominated home club and hold a genuine playing membership.
- An existing reciprocal agreement provides a different competition fee.

The CEO may approve an exemption for a genuine visiting golfer, including a person temporarily travelling to Sydney. Exemptions are discretionary and do not establish an ongoing entitlement.

Verification of membership eligibility

The Club may request reasonable details needed to determine the competition fee, including:

- Drivers License or proof if identity including address
- Golf Australia number and nominated home club.
- Confirmation of the visitor's membership category.
- Ordinary residential postcode or reasonable confirmation of locality.
- Relevant publicly available membership conditions of the nominated home club.

Where appropriate, the Club may seek confirmation directly from the home club. A golfer unable to establish eligibility for the standard rate may be charged $70 pending verification, subject to subsequent review, refund or adjustment. Personal information will be handled in accordance with applicable privacy requirements.

Recognition of Golf Australia handicaps

The Club recognises that virtual and remote members may hold valid Golf Australia handicaps. This policy does not question the validity of those memberships or handicaps. A valid handicap does not itself confer a right to enter Club competitions at a particular fee. Entry remains subject to competition conditions, eligibility, availability and published fees.

Reciprocal club arrangements

Nothing in this policy overrides existing reciprocal playing agreements. Reciprocal privileges are governed by the relevant agreement, the Club's Constitution and By-laws, and applicable competition conditions.

Administration and application

The CEO is responsible for implementing this policy. The Golf Operations team and Pro Shop shall apply approved classifications when processing competition bookings and payments. Uncertain classifications are referred to management. The CEO may maintain an administrative register of remote membership categories and related guidance.

Review of decisions

A visitor may request CEO review of a fee classification. Where an error is established, an appropriate adjustment or refund shall be made.

Publication and communication

Competition fees and relevant classification criteria shall be published on the Club website and available through the Pro Shop. Visitors shall be informed of the applicable fee before they confirm a booking or make payment.

Policy authority and compliance

This policy is made under the Board's powers in the Club Constitution, including clauses 14.3, 30.18, 30.19 and 30.22, and shall be administered consistently with the Constitution, By-laws, the Registered Clubs Act 1976 (NSW), applicable regulations, Golf

Australia and Golf NSW requirements, the Rules of Golf, Australian Consumer Law, applicable discrimination and privacy law, and binding reciprocal agreements.

If any policy provision conflicts with applicable law, a binding agreement or a superior governing document, that law, agreement or governing document prevails.

Policy review and approval

The policy will be reviewed annually, or earlier where legal requirements, industry membership practices or Club operations change. Material amendments require Board approval.

Approved by: Board of Directors

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