



Date: BAD WEATHER WARNING & PLAY POLICY May 2008

1. HOW AND WHY THE SIREN IS SOUNDED:

When the Club Captain, Director of Golf, or nominee, decide that a dangerous weather condition exists or is developing e.g. Lightning, the CC, DOG or nominee will make the decision to sound the warning siren which orders the immediate suspension of play. This warning also includes players on the courses, on the practice areas and on any open ground within the club's boundaries. The siren usage is as follows:

- Discontinue Play immediately: One prolonged note of siren
- Resume Play: Two short notes of siren, repeated

2. WHAT PLAYERS ON THE COURSE MUST DO WHEN THE BAD WEATHER SIREN IS SOUNDED:

When the bad weather siren is sounded, ALL players must immediately stop playing, mark their balls where the ball lies, and immediately proceed to the clubhouse or appropriate shelter. Players CANNOT continue to play out a hole after the siren has been sounded. Players, who continue to play after the siren has been sounded, will be disqualified from the competition of the day unless Rule 33-7 is applicable. A player may take affirmative action and leave the course if in the player's opinion the conditions are dangerous. The committee may waive disqualification under rule 33-7.

3. PROCEDURE FOR GETTING PLAYERS BACK ONTO THE COURSE AFTER THE BAD WEATHER HAS PASSED

When the Club Captain, Director of Golf, or his nominee, decide that a dangerous weather condition has passed, the CC, DOG or nominee will make the decision to sound the warning siren to order the resumption of play and offer those players wishing to resume play, the opportunity to do so. Players shall then rapidly resume their places on the course, replace their balls in the marked positions, and resume play. Players who do not resume play will be given an NCR (No Card Returned) for the competition of the day.

- Resume Play: Two short notes of siren, repeated

4. PROCEDURE FOR HANDLING COMPETITIONS AFFECTED BY A SUSPENSION IN PLAY

The Match Committee has the following options and must chose ONE of the following plans of action that the Committee believes best suits the situation and the event of the day.

- a. In the event of a competition, including Honour Board events, being abandoned after 75% or more of the total field for the day has completed their round, the competition results at the point in time when play was abandoned, will stand. In this event, those players who do not complete their rounds (and are therefore ineligible for the competition of the day), shall have their competition entry fee refunded. OR



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- b. In competitions, including Honour Board events, where less than 75% of the competition field have completed the round, cancel the competition of the day. If such a cancellation happens, competition entry fees will be refunded to the competitors on the day OR.
- c. Regardless of how many players did or did not finish the competition on the day, offer those who did not finish on the day the opportunity to replay their round (or finish their suspended round) at a nominated and suitable time. (The Match Committee will take into account the substantial practical problems of alternative time slots etc. with this option and make a decision accordingly) OR
- d. Even though less than 75% of the competition field have completed their rounds, the competition of the day shall stand for those who have completed their rounds, those players who do not complete their rounds (and are therefore ineligible to participate in the competition of the day), shall have their competition entry fee for the day refunded OR
- e. In the event of a competition's cancellation, and at the discretion of the match committee, the event may (but not necessarily) be rescheduled. This reschedule option would apply to all competition events including Honour Board, Honour Board qualifying events, match play and so on.

In the event that the Match Committee is unavailable or unable to reach a decision within the necessary time frame, the default options will automatically be A or B at the discretion of the Director of Golf and/or the Club Captain.