

Motueka Code of Conduct

The Motueka Golf Club is a group of people whose main aim in belonging to the club is to gain enjoyment and pleasure from the company of others, and as "The friendliest golf club in the Top of the South" strive to always operate in a friendly, open and co-operative way.

As a member of Motueka Golf Club a certain standard of behaviour is expected that reflects the basic requirements of sportsmanship, integrity, courtesy and respect to be shown to all other members, visitors, competitors, officials and the public.

Without limiting the basic requirements of sportsman ship, integrity, courtesy and respect, matters of conduct likely to reflect unfavourably on the game and the club include:

- Bad temper, club throwing, foul and abusive language
- Failure to adhere to the rules and etiquette of the game of golf
- Unsportsmanlike conduct and unnecessary gamesmanship
- Physical violence and threatening behaviour

The club has a zero-tolerance policy towards all bullying/harassment.

A person engaging in any behaviour that may be detrimental to the game of golf or Motueka Golf Club is in breach of the code of conduct and should be reported to the Club Captain.

It is in the best interests of the game that such behaviour is reported and all players, members and members of the public are encouraged and have a duty to report such behaviour.

General examples of grading of complaints of conduct likely to bring the game into disrepute (not an exhaustive list)

Grade 1 Offences

- Bad language
- Improper treatment of equipment, including throwing of clubs
- Use of club other than within the intentions of the game e.g. damaging trees with clubs etc
- Ill-mannered behaviour
- Failure to complete a round when representing the club in any sanctioned tournament/interclub match

Grade 2 Offences

• Behaviour bringing the club into disrepute

- Theft of minor items
- Excessive or offensive bad language
- Verbal abuse or threatening behaviour to another player
- Breaking clubs

Grade 3 Offences

- Any serious misuse of alcohol or drugs on the course or club premises
- Serious theft
- Assault of a player, official, member, guest or member of the public
- Sexual or verbal harassment

If a complaint is found to be upheld then one of the following outcomes will be undertaken

Grade 1 Offence

If no previous offences any one of the following process will be adopted:

- Verbal warning with notice on file;
- Written warning issued to member;
- Penalty of suspension imposed by Disciplinary Committee;

Grade 2 Offence

If no previous offences any one of the following process will be adopted depending on the seriousness of the offence:

- Written warning issued to member;
- Penalty of suspension imposed by Disciplinary Committee;
- Penalty of expulsion as determined by the Disciplinary Committee

Grade 3 Offence

Depending on the seriousness of the offence any one of the following actions may be adopted;

- Written warning issued to member;
- Penalty of suspension imposed by Disciplinary Committee;
- Penalty of expulsion as determined by the Disciplinary Committee