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RULES

1 THE NAME OF THE CLUB

The name of the Club shall be THE CARRICKMINES GOLF CLUB (the Club).

2 THE OBJECTS OF THE CLUB

2.1 To provide facilities for the playing of amateur games of golf and generally to promote amateur games among its members. The Club may also provide such outdoor and indoor games, activities and social functions as might be considered desirable from time to time.

3 THE GAME

The Rules of Golf as they may from time to time be fixed by the Royal and Ancient Golf Club of St. Andrews shall, as far as applicable, be the Rules of Golf for this Club, subject to such Local Rules as shall be added thereto by the Main Committee from time to time.

4 THE MANAGEMENT OF THE CLUB

4.1 The Club will provide equal opportunities for all in every aspect of the Club's management and activities.

4.2 The business and affairs of the Club shall be managed by a committee consisting of the following Officers: The President, Vice-President, Men's and Ladies Captains and Vice-Captains, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and not more than four more Ordinary Members (the Main Committee). In the nomination of persons for the roles of Officers, consideration shall always be given to gender diversity. The affairs of the Club in all matters, other than those reserved by these Rules for the Club in general meeting, shall be managed by the Main Committee.

4.3 The Main Committee may, from time to time, at its discretion, employ one or more persons, on either a full time or part time basis, to assist in dealing with the business and affairs of the Club.

4.4 The Main Committee may appoint an Honorary Men's Competition Secretary, an Honorary Ladies' Competition Secretary and an Honorary Course Officer.

4.5 The assets and property of the Club shall be vested in Carrickmines Golf Club Trustee Company Limited by Guarantee (the Trustee). The directors of the Trustee Company shall be appointed by the Main Committee. The Trustee shall deal with the assets and property of the Club as directed by resolution of the Main Committee of which an entry

in the Minute Book signed by the Chairperson shall be conclusive evidence. The assets and property of the Club shall at all times be used in furtherance of the objects of the Club as set forth in these Rules and Bye-Laws.

A general meeting of the Ordinary Members of the Club shall have power to request the resignation of any Director. All vacancies occurring by retirement, resignation, removal, or death, shall be filled, if considered appropriate, by appointment by the Main Committee.

- 4.6** The annual accounts of the Club shall be audited by an auditor or a firm of auditors to be appointed at the Annual General Meeting of the Club (the "Auditor"). In the event of a vacancy arising in the office of Auditor due to a resignation, retirement or death, the Main Committee shall have the power to appoint an auditor or a firm of auditors, whose appointment will endure until the next Annual General Meeting.
- 4.7** The Main Committee shall meet as required and five members shall form a quorum. At all Committee Meetings the Chair shall be taken by the President or the Vice-President or, in their absence, by the Men's or Ladies Captains. Should none of these Officers be present, any member of the Main Committee may be elected Chairman. In the event of a tie on a vote in committee, the Chairman shall have a casting vote in addition to his/her ordinary vote.
- 4.8** The financial affairs of the Club shall be the responsibility of the Main Committee. Correct accounts and books shall be kept by the Honorary Treasurer or under his/her supervision, showing the financial affairs, receipts, and disbursements of the Club. The bank accounts shall be kept in the name of the Club in such bank as the Main Committee may from time to time determine. All payments shall be authorised by any two of those members of the Main Committee duly authorised by the Main Committee for this purpose. Annual audited accounts shall be kept and made available for inspection by the Revenue Commissioners on request.
- 4.9** The Officers, Main Committee and Auditor shall retire annually and shall be eligible for re-election at the Annual General Meeting of the Club ("AGM"), save that the President shall not hold office for more than two years in succession, neither shall the Honorary Secretary nor the Honorary Treasurer hold office for more than five years in succession. The Main Committee shall have power to co-opt a member to fill any casual vacancy on the Main Committee.
- 4.10** The Main Committee shall maintain a written
- 4.10.1 Disciplinary and Complaints Procedure
 - 4.10.2 Safety Statement
 - 4.10.3 Code of Ethics relating to Young People
 - 4.10.4 Child and Adult Safeguarding Statement
- 4.11.1** The Main Committee shall not be empowered to spend or borrow or guarantee the payment of an aggregate sum in excess of €150,000 for any particular or individual project or purpose of the Club unless a resolution authorising the Main Committee to do so has been passed at a general meeting of the Ordinary Members of the Club. If at any time the Club in general meeting shall pass such a resolution, the Main Committee shall

thereupon be empowered to spend, and/or borrow or guarantee the payment of such a sum for the purposes of the Club in accordance with any such resolution.

The Main Committee shall be entitled to borrow and/or guarantee the payment of such amount of money either at one time or from time to time and at such rate of interest and in such form and manner and upon such security as shall be specified in such resolution. The Trustee shall at the direction of the Main Committee make such disposition of the Club property or any part thereof and enter into such agreement in relation thereto as the Main Committee deems proper for giving such security for such loan or guarantee and interest. All members of the Club, whether voting on such a resolution or not, and all persons becoming members of the Club after the passing of such a resolution, shall be deemed to have assented to the same as if they had voted in favour of such resolution. The Main Committee shall have no power to pledge the personal liability of any member of the Club for the repayment of any sums so borrowed.

4.11.2 The Main Committee may, for the purposes of financing capital expenditure not normally met out of current revenue with the sanction of the voting members of the Club in general meeting, impose a capital levy upon the members of the Club in such manner and upon such terms and in such amounts as the Club shall in general meeting authorise. No levies shall be payable by any Honorary Life Member of the Club.

4.12.1 The directors of Carrickmines Golf Club Trustee Company Limited by Guarantee and every other Officer, Committee Member and Member of any Sub-Committee thereof, shall, save in instances of fraud, serious misconduct or willful neglect, be indemnified by the Members of the Club for the time being against all liability or reasonable expense incurred by them while acting in the course of their duties by reason of their position as director of the Trustee / Committee Members /Officers/ Members of any subcommittee and insofar as the assets of the Club may be deficient.

4.12.2 The income and property of the Club shall be applied solely towards the promotion of its objects as set forth in rule 2. No portion of the Club's income and property shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the members of the Club. No Officer appointed to any office of the Club shall be paid by salary or fees, or receive any remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth from the Club. Nothing, however shall prevent any payment in good faith by the Club of:

- i. Reasonable and proper remuneration to any member of the Club (not being an Officer) for any services rendered to the Club;
- ii. Interest at a rate not exceeding 5% per annum on money lent by Officers or other members of the Club to the Club;
- iii. Reasonable and proper rent for premises demised and let by any member of the Club (including any Officer) to the Club;
- iv. Reasonable and proper out-of-pocket expenses incurred by any Officer in connection with their attendance to any matter affecting the Club;
- v. Fees, remuneration or other benefit in money or money's worth to any company of which any Officer may be a member.

5 COMMITTEES

5.1 OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference and appoint an Oversight Committee which shall consist of the President, Vice-President, Hon Secretary, Hon Treasurer and General Manager. The terms of reference of this committee shall be set from time to time by the Main Committee. The President and in their absence the Vice President shall chair the meeting.

5.2 FINANCE & PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference and appoint a Finance & Planning Committee which shall consist of three Ordinary Members, one of whom shall be the Chairperson, in addition to the Honorary Treasurer. With the exception of the Honorary Treasurer, none of this Committee shall sit on the Main Committee during their term of office. The terms of reference of this committee shall be set from time to time by the Main Committee.

5.3 GREEN COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference and appoint a Green Committee which shall consist of the Vice- President, the Men's and Ladies Captains and Vice-Captains, the Honorary Secretary (ex-officio), the Honorary Men's Competitions Secretary, the Honorary Ladies Competitions Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer (ex-officio) and the Honorary Course Officer. Four members of the Green Committee shall form a quorum. Their names and any changes which may occur shall be posted on the Club notice board. The Vice President shall chair Green Committee meetings and, in their absence, an alternative Chair shall be appointed from those present.

5.4 HOUSE COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference and appoint a House Committee which shall consist of the General Manager, the Honorary Treasurer (ex-officio), and up to six Main Committee members. Four members of the House Committee shall form a quorum. Their names and any changes which may occur shall be posted on the Club notice board. The House Committee shall elect a Chairperson and Secretary.

5.5 COURSE DEVELOPMENT & BOUNDARY COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference of and appoint a Course Development & Boundary Committee which shall consist of the President, Vice President, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Course Officer, Boundaries & Land Officer and

up to two other members. It shall be chaired by the President and in their absence, the Vice President.

5.6 DISCIPLINARY COMMITTEE

The Main Committee, at its first meeting in each year, appoint a Disciplinary Committee. It shall comprise three persons, one of whom shall be a member of the Main Committee (who shall be the Chair) and two other persons who shall be Ordinary Members aged over 18 years. The Disciplinary Committee shall remain in place for a period of one year. Should, however, any matters referred to it be unresolved at the first meeting of the Main Committee in the following year, it shall continue in office for purpose only of completing the hearing of such complaints and making their decision with regard thereto. Notwithstanding that, a new Disciplinary Committee shall be appointed for the coming year. No member of the Main Committee or Ordinary Member shall serve on the Disciplinary Committee for more than three consecutive years.

5.7 HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Main Committee shall determine the Terms of Reference of and appoint a Health & Safety Committee which shall consist of the Vice President, Safety Officer, Chair of House Committee, Honorary Secretary (ex officio), Honorary Course Officer and General Manager. It shall be chaired by the Vice President and in their absence, the Safety Officer.

6 SUB-COMMITTEES

The Main Committee may appoint such sub-committees and advisory committees as may from time to time be deemed necessary. Terms of reference shall be defined and minuted. Once the terms of reference have been completed such committees shall cease to operate.

7 GENERAL MEETINGS

7.1 The AGM of the Club shall be held not later than the 31ST day of October in each year for the purpose of receiving the Annual Report and Statement of Accounts, of electing the Officers and the Main Committee and transacting any other business of the Club. Not less than twenty one days' notice shall be given of such Meeting. Nominations of Officers and Members of the Main Committee must be given in writing to the Honorary Secretary at least ten days before the date of the Meeting, who shall then post same on the Club notice board. The annual audited accounts shall be circulated to members prior to the subsequent AGM, by email and with link to the Club website containing the accounts, or as the Main Committee may decide.

7.2 The names of the members of the Main Committee who seek re-election, with a record of their attendances at meetings of the Committee and the names of any other candidates for the Committee with the names of their proposers and seconders, shall be

posted by the Honorary Secretary on the Club notice board ten days before the AGM at which they are to be proposed for election.

- 7.3** A Special General Meeting of the Club (“SGM”) may be called at any time by direction of the Main Committee, the Trustee or on a requisition to the Honorary Secretary, signed by at least ten Ordinary members, stating the business to be brought forward. Twenty one days’ notice of any such SGM shall be given. No amendment (other than a motion for adjournment) shall be moved to any resolution proposed for a Special General Meeting.
- 7.4** General Meetings shall be chaired by the President or by a nominee of the Main Committee and he/she shall have a casting vote in addition to his/her ordinary vote in the event of a tie.
- 7.5** For all purposes the quorum for all general meetings shall be forty Ordinary members present and entitled to vote. No business shall be transacted at any general meeting unless the quorum shall be present at the time when the meeting is ready to proceed.
- 7.6** If within half an hour from the time appointed for the meeting a quorum be not present, the meeting shall stand adjourned to such time and place as the chairman shall appoint. Members entitled to attend must receive not less than seven days’ notice of the adjourned meeting. At any such adjourned meeting the members present and entitled to vote, whatsoever their number, shall have power to decide upon all matters which could properly have been disposed of at the meeting from which the adjournment took place.
- 7.7** All notices to members shall be by email and with link to the Club website containing the notices, or as the Main Committee may decide from time to time. When calculating the notice period required for a meeting, public holidays shall not be counted.
- 7.8** The accidental omission to give notice of a meeting to, or the non-receipt of notice of a meeting by, any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

8 VOTING AT GENERAL MEETINGS

- 8.1** Only Honorary Members who before election as such were Ordinary Members and Ordinary Members shall be entitled to be present and vote at general meetings of the Club.
- 8.2** No member shall be entitled to vote at any general meeting unless the current year’s subscription and any monies due have been paid.
- 8.3** All votes shall be by a show of hands and no proxies shall be allowed. If a majority of members present wish any question under discussion to be put to vote by secret ballot, that method of voting shall be adopted.
- 8.4** When electing Members of the Main Committee all members voting shall vote for the exact number of candidates for which there are vacancies. Voting papers not complying with this Rule shall be invalid.

- 8.5** Subject to a quorum being present resolutions are passed by a simple majority of members in number present and voting except where the Rules require a greater majority
- 8.6** No purchase or disposal of land or buildings shall be made except by a resolution passed, at a general meeting of members properly convened, by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting

9 MAIN COMMITTEE'S POWERS

The Main Committee shall have power from time to time to make, alter, and repeal Bye-Laws and Local Rules consistent with these Rules for the regulation and effective operation of the Club and these shall have effect unless and until set aside by a general meeting. Any proposed alteration, amendment, addition or deletion to the Bye-Laws and Local Rules shall be submitted in written draft form to the Revenue Commissioners for approval prior to adoption by the Main Committee insofar as any such alteration, amendment, addition or deletion purports to change the object of the Club and/or the application of income, property and proceeds of sale of property.

10 CATEGORIES OF MEMBERSHIP

10.1 ORDINARY MEMBERS

There shall be four categories of ORDINARY MEMBERS who shall be entitled to all the privileges and benefits of the Club:

ORDINARY MEMBERS shall be age 30 or over on the 1st January in the subscription year. However, Ordinary Intermediate Members may elect to transfer to this category on reaching age 18 or at any time between age 18 and 30 subject to available vacancies.

ORDINARY MEMBERS SENIOR shall have attained the age of 70 years on the 1ST January in the subscription year and have been ORDINARY MEMBERS for a minimum of 30 consecutive years.

ORDINARY INTERMEDIATE A MEMBERS shall be over the age of 18 years and under the age of 24 years on the 1st January in the subscription year.

ORDINARY INTERMEDIATE B MEMBERS shall be over the age of 24 years and under the age of 30 years on the 1st January in the subscription year.

10.2 LADY ASSOCIATES

There shall be two categories of LADY ASSOCIATE membership

- 10.2.1** The category of LADY ASSOCIATE MEMBER is discontinued and no new members shall be admitted to this category. Notwithstanding that, existing LADY ASSOCIATE members may remain in this category and may transfer to Lady Associate Senior membership pursuant to Rule 10.2.2

10.2.2 LADY ASSOCIATES SENIOR shall have attained the age of 70 years on 1st January in the subscription year and have been LADY ASSOCIATE MEMBERS for a minimum of 30 consecutive years and have never opted to transfer to ORDINARY membership.

10.3 FIVE-DAY MEMBERS

There shall be three categories of FIVE-DAY MEMBERS

FIVE-DAY MEMBERS shall be age 30 or over on the 1st January in the subscription year.

FIVE DAY INTERMEDIATE A MEMBERS shall be over the age of 18 years and under the age of 24 years on the 1st January in the subscription year.

FIVE DAY INTERMEDIATE B MEMBERS shall be over the age of 24 years and under the age of 30 years on the 1st January in the subscription year.

FIVE DAY MEMBERS are permitted the use of the Course and Clubhouse on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays and at a time on Sundays at the discretion of the Main Committee.

10.4 COUNTRY MEMBERS

An Ordinary Member, an Ordinary Member Senior, an Ordinary Intermediate Member, a Five-Day Member or a Lady Associate, with a minimum of three years membership may be transferred to this category provided his/her principal place of residence in Ireland is beyond a radius of 100 miles/160 km. from Carrickmines.

10.5 OVERSEAS MEMBERS

An Ordinary Member, an Ordinary Intermediate Member, a Five-Day Member, a Five-Day Intermediate Member or a Lady Associate, with a minimum of three years membership, may be transferred to this category provided his/her principal place of residence is outside Ireland.

10.6 JUNIOR MEMBERS

10.6.1 Junior Members shall be over the age of 11 years and under the age of 18 years on 1st January in the subscription year.

10.6.2 Junior Qualified Members shall, in the case of male members hold a handicap of 19.9 or less and in the case of female members hold a handicap of 39.9 or less. The Green Committee shall decide, from time to time, access and times of access to adult competitions for Junior Qualified Members

10.6.3 Junior Academy Members shall be over the age of 9 years on 1st January in the subscription year and shall be deemed by the Junior Convenors to have the necessary golf skills to be an Academy player.

10.6.4 Junior Cadet Members shall be over the age of 9 years on 1st January in the subscription year.

10.6.5 Temporary Junior Members shall be elected in accordance with Rule 13.

10.7 PAVILION MEMBERS

Are confined to Members and Lady Associates who have ceased to play golf but who wish to continue an association with the Club or for any reason that the Main Committee shall deem fit.

10.8 HOUSE MEMBERS

This membership category is open to member's families and friends. These members are entitled to avail of catering in the club and be part of other house activities such as bridge. House members have no special access to the golf course. Such members would go through the normal application process.

10.9 HONORARY MEMBERS

Shall be elected in accordance with Rule 14.

11 ELECTION OF MEMBERS

11.1 The Main Committee shall have power to elect to membership of the Club and to define the rights of the different categories in so far as the said rights are not already defined in these Rules.

11.2 Applications for membership shall be submitted to the Main Committee through the Honorary Secretary on the form prescribed for that purpose.

11.3 If the Main Committee shall decide that such an applicant be considered for membership, the name, category of membership for which the candidate has applied, and the name of their proposer and seconder shall be posted on the Club notice board for at least fourteen days. If no written objection is received by the Honorary Secretary within that time the applicant shall be deemed to be elected. Notwithstanding anything contained in Rule 4.6, the quorum for such an election by the Main Committee shall be seven members but if any application for membership is rejected by more than two votes such application shall be rejected. Voting may be by secret ballot.

11.4 Elections to membership shall be held from time to time at the discretion of the Main Committee.

11.5 In addition to the foregoing the Main Committee may prescribe such additional other procedures or requirements for election to all or any categories of membership.

12 CATEGORY TRANSFER

12.1 ORDINARY MEMBERS SENIOR AND LADY ASSOCIATES SENIOR

Ordinary Members and Lady Associates who qualify by virtue of age and years of Membership will be transferred to this category on application in writing.

12.2 COUNTRY AND OVERSEAS MEMBERS

Members and Lady Associates having qualified in accordance with Rule 10.1 or 10.2 and been transferred to Country or Overseas Membership will, at any time they so request it

in writing, be transferred back to their former category on the following 1st January or earlier at the discretion of the Main Committee. In the event of Ordinary membership being closed they will be offered 5 Day membership.

12.3 JUNIOR MEMBERS

12.3.1 Junior Members who will be age 18 before 1st January in any year may transfer to Ordinary Intermediate A Member. The Main Committee reserves the right to refuse such a transfer without explanation.

12.3.2 Male Junior Members who hold a handicap of 19.9 or less and female Junior Members who hold a handicap of 39.9 or less in any year shall be eligible to transfer to Junior Qualified membership.

12.3.3 Junior Academy members who will be age 11 or over on 1st January in any year may transfer to Junior Membership at the discretion of the Junior Convenors.

12.3.4 Junior Cadet Members who will be age 9 or over on 1st January in any year may transfer to Junior Academy membership at the discretion of the Junior Convenors.

13 TEMPORARY JUNIOR MEMBERS

The Main Committee may, from time to time, elect Temporary Junior Members, provided the total of such members does not exceed twenty. Any person so elected shall be a Temporary Junior Member from year to year, subject to Main Committee approval, but shall not exceed three years and shall cease at the end of the subscription year during which he or she reaches 18 years of age. At any time after two years of Temporary Junior Membership, such persons may apply for transfer to Junior Membership.

14 HONORARY MEMBERS

14.1 Honorary Membership of the Club may be conferred by the Main Committee upon those who have rendered exceptional services to the Club or to the game of golf or whose distinguished or influential position or public service would render their membership of special advantage to the Club.

14.2 Honorary Membership may be conferred for life or from year to year. Honorary Members, who before election as such were Ordinary Members or Lady Associates, shall be entitled to all such privileges as they hitherto held. Honorary Members shall not be liable for the payment of an Annual Subscription.

15 ENTRANCE FEES AND SUBSCRIPTIONS

- 15.1.1** The rates of annual subscriptions for all categories of members shall be recommended by the Finance and Planning Committee and decided by the Main Committee, subject to the annual increase in subscription of any category of member for any year not exceeding 12.5% of the corresponding annual subscription for the previous year. For any amount exceeding this increase, the Committee should put a resolution to the members at a general meeting.
- 15.1.2** The rates of entrance fee shall be recommended by the Finance and Planning Committee and decided by the Main Committee.
- 15.2.1** Subscriptions are payable in advance on 1st January each year. The Main Committee shall have power, if it thinks fit, to grant concessions whereby members, may elect to discharge their annual subscription by a finance company approved by the Main Committee in six or ten equal monthly instalments.
- 15.2.2** Where the subscription or any subscription or entrance fee instalment due by any person remains unpaid on 1 April of that year, unless prior agreement has been reached pursuant to Rule 15.9, the Green Committee will automatically remove such person's access to the club's facilities, the course and the timesheet until full payment is received and, subsequently, if not received, the Main Committee may at any time terminate such person's membership of the Club. Such person shall be notified in writing of its decision. The Main Committee may at its discretion, re-elect him/her without entrance fee and without re-nomination, within twelve months from the date the subscription was due, on payment of all subscriptions and arrears including arrears of entrance fee instalments, if any, and other monies due to the Club.
- 15.2.3** Persons who have completed an official club program, Ordinary Intermediate and 5 Day Intermediate Members on transferring to Ordinary Membership or Five-Day Membership, may, at the discretion of the Main Committee, pay their entrance fee in up to three annual instalments.
- 15.3** After 1st April in each year a Member shall be ineligible to enter and/or compete in any competition held by the Club or represent the Club whilst his/her subscription or subscription or entrance fee instalments due, remains unpaid and shall not be entitled to vote at any club meetings.
- 15.4** Members elected during the year shall pay a pro rata Annual Subscription for the portion of the subscription year after election.
- 15.5** On election each member shall receive an invoice for the entrance fee and first subscription. If these are not paid within one calendar month of receipt of such application, his/her election may be declared null and void at the discretion of the Main Committee.
- 15.6** All members on election become liable for an entrance fee with the exception of:
- a) Honorary Members
 - b) Ordinary Intermediate Members
 - c) Five Day Intermediate Members
 - d) All categories of Junior Member

15.7.1 Ordinary Intermediate B and Five-Day Intermediate B Members on reaching the age of 30 by the 1st January in a subscription year are liable to pay an appropriate entrance fee on transferring to Ordinary Membership or Five-Day Membership.

15.7.2 The transferee in 15.7.1 above is eligible for a reduced entrance fee depending on the period of time as a Junior Member, Ordinary Intermediate Member or Intermediate 5-Day Member as follows:

Years Membership	Discount Factor
14	50%
13	45%
12	40%
11	35%
10	30%
9	25%

15.7.3 Where the transferee in 15.7.1 above transfers to Five Day Membership and subsequently transfers to Ordinary Membership the appropriate reduction shall also apply to any increased entrance fee payable on that transfer.

15.8 An Ordinary Intermediate A or B Member or a Five-Day Intermediate A or B Member, having made application/re-application on or before 20th day of November in any year and having satisfied the Main Committee that he/she is a bona fide student/apprentice or in some other way deserving of special consideration, may have his/her subscription for the ensuing year reduced at the discretion of the Main Committee by a discount not to exceed fifty per cent and such concession having been made shall be on a year to year basis only.

15.9 In cases of hardship, or for other good and sufficient reason, the Main Committee shall have power to offer concessionary rates, to reduce or to defer subscriptions and/or levies in individual cases. In the event of using these powers, the Main Committee shall, if requested, report at the following AGM on the number of instances and the concessions made but shall not be required to name the individual(s) concerned.

15.10 On transfer of membership to a category with a higher Entrance Fee, the Member shall be liable to pay the difference applicable on the date of transfer. There is no refund if the transfer is to a category with a lower entrance fee.

15.11 An Ordinary Member Senior or a Lady Associate Senior, upon qualifying as such and having made application in writing, shall have his/her annual subscription reduced to half the rate applicable to an Ordinary Member or Lady Associate.

15.12 During their term of office, the President, Men's and Ladies Captains, the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer, the Honorary Men's Competitions Secretary, the Honorary Ladies Competitions Secretary, and the Honorary Course Officer shall not be liable for the payment of an annual subscription.

16 LEAVE OF ABSENCE

The Main Committee may grant leave of absence to an Ordinary Member or Lady Associate of not less than three years membership, for good and sufficient reason and on such conditions as it may decide, provided always that leave of absence if granted will be on a year-to-year basis and shall not exceed three years in succession.

17 RESIGNATIONS

A member in any category wishing to withdraw from the Club shall notify the Honorary Secretary in writing of their desire so to do.

18 CHANGE OF RULES

18.1 New Rules of the Club, in substitution for, to the exclusion of or in addition to the existing Rules of the Club, shall be proposed by the Main Committee and shall be adopted by a resolution passed at a general meeting by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting. Notice of the proposed new Rules together with a copy thereof shall be sent by email and with link to the Club website or as the Main Committee may decide by the Honorary Secretary at least twenty one days before the general meeting called for its consideration.

18.2 No rule of the Club shall be repealed or altered, nor new Rule made, except by a resolution passed at a general meeting by a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting.

18.3 Non receipt of the proposed new Rules, or of proposed changes to the Rules, shall not invalidate the proceedings at the meeting.

18.4 Any proposed alteration, amendment, addition or deletion to Rules shall be submitted in written draft form to the Revenue Commissioners for approval prior to adoption by the Main Committee insofar as any such alteration, amendment, addition or deletion purports to change the object of the Club and/or the application of income, property and proceeds of sale of property.

19 DISCIPLINE & COMPLAINTS

All complaints about members shall be made in writing to the Honorary Secretary and shall be dealt with in accordance with The Carrickmines Golf Club Disciplinary and Complaints Procedure or the Code of Ethics for Golf for Younger people provided that if the complaint is made by or about the Honorary Secretary it shall be submitted in writing to the President of the Club.

20 VISITORS

- 20.1** A member introducing a guest as a visitor must immediately upon the admission of such person to the Club premises enter, or cause to be entered, his/her own name and the name and address of the guest in a book which shall be kept for the purpose and which shall show the date of each visit. Should such person wish to play over the Course, the member playing with such visitor must procure a green fee. Any Committee Member or any other authorised person may query whether a green fee has been paid on behalf of a guest. The member's guest green fee shall be determined by the Main Committee from time to time.
- 20.2** A visitor shall not be supplied with excisable liquor in the Club premises unless on the invitation and in the company of a member and the member shall, upon admission of such person to the Club premises or immediately upon his/her being supplied with such liquor, enter his/her own name and the name and address of the visitor in the guest book which shall be kept for the purpose and which shall show the date of each visit.
- 20.3** Every member, visitor or other person using the Club premises shall be subject to and must comply with all Bye-Laws and Local Rules for the time being in force. Every member shall be responsible for ensuring compliance by any visitor introduced by him or her to the Club with such Bye-Laws and Local Rules.

21 GREEN FEES

Green fees may be introduced at the discretion of the Main Committee. Available times of play shall be determined by the Green Committee. All Green Fee players shall be obliged to sign the Green Fee Book and the Bar Visitor book. The Terms and Condition of Green Fees shall be determined by the Main Committee.

22 SALE OF EXCISABLE LIQUOR

- 22.1.1** Subject to the exceptions specified in subsections (2) (a), (b) and (c), no excisable liquor shall be supplied for consumption on the Club premises to any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises) or be consumed on the Club premises by any person (other than a member of the Club lodging in the Club premises):-
- (a) On any weekday before the hour of 10.30 a.m. or
 - (i) On any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday after the hour of 11.30 p.m. or
 - (ii) On any Friday or Saturday after the hour of 12.30 a.m. the following morning, or
 - (b) On any Sunday, before the hour of 12.30 p.m. or after the hour of 11.00 p.m., or
 - (c) On St. Patrick's Day, where that day falls on a weekday before the hour of 12.30 p.m. or after the hour of 12.30 a.m. on the following morning, or
 - (d) At any time on Christmas Day.
- 22.1.2** Excisable liquor may be sold on the eve of any Public Holiday (other than Christmas Eve) between 10.30 a.m. and 12.30 a.m. on the following morning, if it falls on a weekday, or where it falls on a Sunday, between 12.30 p.m. and 12.30 a.m. on the following morning.
- 22.1.3** On Christmas Eve excisable liquor may be sold between 10.30 a.m. and 11.30 p.m.

- 22.2** Nothing contained in the Registration of Clubs Acts, 1904-2000, or contained by virtue only of the operation of subsection (1) of this Rule shall operate to prohibit the supplying for consumption on the Club premises of excisable liquor to any person or the consumption of excisable liquor on the Club premises by any person-
- (a) on any Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 12.30 a.m. the following morning and on any Friday or Saturday between the hours of 10.30 a.m. and 1.30 a.m.
- or
- (b) on any Sunday between the hours of 12.30am and 12.00am on the following morning, or
 - (c) on Christmas Day, between the hours of 12.00 midday and 10.00 p.m. in the evening. If, in each case, the excisable liquor is:-
 - (i) ordered by that person at the same time as a substantial meal is ordered and,
 - (ii) consumed at the same time as and with the meal, or after the meal has ended,
 - (iii) supplied and consumed in the portion of the Club premises usually set apart for the supply of meals, and
 - (iv) paid for at the same time as the meal is paid for.
- 22.3** In this Rule, “weekday” and “Sunday” have the meanings assigned to them by Section 1 of the Intoxicating Liquor Act, 1927.
- 22.4** No member of the Main Committee, and no manager or person employed in the Club shall have any personal interest in the sale of excisable liquors therein, or in the profits arising from such sale.
- 22.5** No excisable liquors shall be sold or supplied for consumption outside the premises of the Club, except to members of the Club, between the hours of eight o’clock in the morning and ten o’clock in the evening.
- 22.6** No excisable liquors shall be sold or supplied in the Club premises to any person under the age of eighteen years.
- 22.7** On the occasion of special events to be held in the Club premises, the Main Committee may apply for an extension or authorisation permitting the sale of excisable liquor at times other than those set out in this Rule.
- 22.8** Within the ambit of and so as not to infringe the foregoing provisions of this Rule, the Main Committee shall have power to prescribe the hours during which excisable liquor may or may not be supplied at the Club premises.
- 22.9** In addition to the foregoing Rules and clauses thereof, the Clauses and Regulations embodied in the Registration of Clubs Act 1904 - 2003 and the Acts extending and amending the same shall be deemed Rules of the Club.
- 22.10** If, after the making of these Rules, the Statute Law regarding the sale of excisable liquor in the Club premises is amended or extended, this Rule shall be deemed to incorporate any such alterations in the law as from the date of enactment thereof by the Oireachtas and shall be construed accordingly.

23 INSURANCE

All playing members shall be obliged to be covered by personal liability and personal accident golf insurance provided through the Club and invoiced annually with their subscription invoice.

24 COLOURS

The Colours of the Club logo shall be Amber and Navy.

25 WINDING-UP

25.1 No resolution to wind up the affairs of the Club shall be valid unless it is passed at a general meeting of members specifically called for that purpose and carried by a majority of two-thirds of members present and voting.

25.2 If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Club there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, it shall not be paid or distributed among the members of the Club. Instead, such property shall be given or transferred to some other institution or institutions having main objects similar to the main object of the Club. The institution or institutions to which the property is to be given or transferred shall prohibit the distribution of its or their income and property among its or their members to an extent at least as great as is imposed on the Club under or by virtue of Rule 4.10.2 hereof. Members of the Club in General Meeting, by a two-thirds majority, shall select the relevant institution or institutions at or before the time of dissolution, and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provisions, then the property shall be given or transferred to some charitable object.

25.3 The Main Committee shall be responsible for the winding up of the assets and liabilities of the Club.

26 POLICY STATEMENT – YOUNG MEMBERS

The Club is fully committed to safeguarding the well-being of its members. Every individual in golf should at all times, show respect and understanding for members rights, safety and welfare and conduct themselves in a way that reflects the principles of the Club and the guidelines contained in the Club's Code of Ethics relating to Junior Members. In working with young people in golf the Club's first priority is the welfare of the young people and it is committed to providing an environment that will allow participants to perform to the best of their ability, free from bullying and intimidation

27 DATA PROTECTION

Pursuant to the provisions of General Data Protection Regulation (EU Regulation 2016/679) and Data Protection Act 2018 and such amendments as may occur from time to time, members consent to the Club, recording, obtaining, holding and retaining their personal data (including sensitive personal data) solely for Club purposes, either on its computer or in its manual filing

system, and consent to the use of all such data, including its disclosure to third parties for the proper and effective management of the Club.

28 WAIVER OF LEGAL RIGHTS

Pursuant to the provisions of section 34(1) (b) of the Civil Liability Act 1961, all members waive their legal entitlement to claim against a fellow member, Director of the Trustee Company, Officer or Committee member, compensation for personal injuries, loss or damage howsoever caused, when the fellow member, Director of the Trustee Company, Officer or Committee member is engaged in the management or running of the Club.

BYE-LAWS

1 JUNIORS

- (a) Juniors may play Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday
- (b) Qualified Juniors aged 15 or over may play in Saturday competitions with access to the timesheet from noon 3 days in advance of the competition. They may also play in Wednesday competitions.
- (c) Qualified Juniors aged under 15 may play in competition on Sunday with access to Sunday competition timesheet available 3 days in advance.
- (d) Juniors may invite guests, either other Juniors or adult guests on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday.
- (e) Junior members, unless categorised as Qualified Juniors, have no access to the golf course on Wednesdays or Saturdays.
- (f) Junior members who do not hold an official handicap are not permitted to play on the course without being accompanied by another member who holds an official handicap.

2 VISITORS

- (a) Visitors introduced under Rule 20 shall pay Green Fees as laid down by the Main Committee from time to time and displayed on the Club Notice Board.
- (b) Green fee players, under Rule 21, shall pay Green Fees as laid down by the Main Committee from time to time and displayed on the Club Notice Board.
- (c) A member may introduce not more than three visitors on the same day.
- (d) Junior Members may introduce Junior Members of another Golf Club on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, or Fridays at a reduced Green Fee which will be displayed on the Club Notice Board. Their guests must have a CDH number recorded in the Green Fee book and hold a current handicap.
- (e) Members may bring their guests into the Clubhouse on the understanding that they will be personally responsible for them and their expenses.
- (f) The Main Committee shall have power to suspend the Rules permitting the introduction of visitors at any time or times it deems necessary and to refuse the use of the Course to any particular visitor.

3 GREEN COMMITTEE

- (a) The Green Committee shall be responsible to the Main Committee for all matters connected with the game, including the lay-out of the Course, competitions, matches, handicaps and the arrangement of the grounds. It shall make such regulations as it considers necessary for the control of play of any category of Membership and shall determine the categories of Membership eligible to take part in Club Competitions.

- (b) Any dispute or difference of opinion in connection with the game shall be referred to and settled by the Green Committee whose decision shall be final and, if it should come to its knowledge that a breach or irregularity of the Rules of Golf has been committed in any competition, it shall enquire into such breach even though an objection may not have been made.

4 COMPETITIONS

- (a) Club Competitions shall be played from the teeing ground specified by the Green Committee and from the markers of the day.
- (b) Competitors in Club Competitions shall have precedence both in starting and through the green over all other players.
- (c) Competition Fees must be paid before starting: penalty for non-compliance – disqualification.
- (d) With the exception of 'special' competitions e.g. Captains' Prizes, President's Prize, etc. Wednesday & Saturdays will be reserved exclusively for competitions for Ordinary, Ordinary Intermediate & Associate Members with late timesheet access to qualifying Junior Members. All such members will have equal access to the timesheet. An exception to this Bye Law may be made, at the discretion of the Green Committee, to accommodate Junior members when inter-club matches prevent them from availing of their normal Sunday allotted tee times.
- (e) Competition playing rights of Country and Overseas Members shall be restricted to six Saturday or Wednesday competitions per year and are not to include the Captains, President's or Vice-President's prizes. Entry to Cup competitions shall not be permitted.
- (f) The Green Committee reserves the right to alter dates and conditions of Competitions. Due notice of such alterations will be posted on the Club Notice Board and/or notified to Members by email.

5 HANDICAPPING

- (a) The Carrickmines Golf Club is affiliated to Golf Ireland and is responsible for ensuring the Handicap Index of those members who have designated it to be their home club is administered in accordance with the requirements of the Rules of Handicapping.
- (b) Members must report all scores made in competitions played on other Courses. If required these shall be verified by an official of the Club or Society concerned.

6 DRESS

For the full enjoyment of the game and in order to preserve and maintain traditional standards, the Main Committee may lay down regulations for dress both on the Course and in the Clubhouse. Such regulations will be displayed on the Club Notice Board and shall be observed by both Members and visitors.

7 MISCELLANEOUS

- (a)** Children under 11 years of age, when in the Clubhouse or on the Course, must be accompanied by an adult or responsible member of their family.
- (b)** Dogs, other than service dogs, are not permitted on the Course or in the Clubhouse at any time.
- (c)** No Member or visitor may give a gratuity directly to any of the Club Staff
- (d)** Notices may be posted or displayed in the Clubhouse only by order of the Main Committee.
- (e)** The Club accepts no responsibility for any thefts, loss of, or damage to the property of any Member, visitor, or guest in any part of the Club's precincts, the car park or on the Course.
- (f)** The Clubhouse shall be closed on Christmas Day and St. Stephen's Day.
- (g)** Calls to and from mobile phones are not permitted in the Clubhouse except downstairs. Members may carry mobile phones on the course provided they are turned to silent or vibration and only used in an emergency.