



St Mellion Estate

Health and Safety Management System

Section Twenty



Specific Course Risk Assessment - Golfers V7 - November 2022

Nicklaus Course

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General Overview of Course Risks



<p>Typical hazards encountered on a Golf Course.</p>	<p>Golfers, Greens Staff, and spectators.</p>	<p>Strict adherence to the Rules and Etiquette of Golf, observe all signs and be aware of rules concerning cessation of play in dangerous weather or conditions.</p>	<p>Low</p>
<p>Teeing Off</p>	<p>Other Golfers on adjacent greens, fairways, or paths</p>	<p>Do not tee off until you are sure that the group in front are out of range. Do not tee off if any of your playing partners are standing forward of you. Do not tee off if anyone is walking toward the tee from any adjacent holes. Do not stand forward of a player teeing off.</p> <p>Do not walk towards a tee when someone is preparing to drive</p> <p>Pay attention when playing shot and shout fore if ball drifts to left or right and there is any likelihood of hitting someone.</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Miss hit Tee shot to right or left</p>		<p>Pay attention when playing shot and shout fore if ball drifts to left or right and there is any likelihood of hitting someone.</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Rights of way</p>	<p>Members of public and dog walkers on paths or fairways</p>	<p>Pay attention when playing shot and shout fore if ball drifts to left or right and there is any likelihood of hitting someone.</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Fairway to Green</p>	<p>Other Golfers</p>	<p>Do not take a shot until you are sure that the group in front are out of range. Do not take a shot if you are playing partners are forward of you and in range. Stand in a safe position when a playing partner is taking a shot</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Miss hit approach shot to green</p>	<p>Players on adjacent holes</p>	<p>Be aware of players in this area and shout fore if hitting to left or right past green and there is any likelihood of hitting someone.</p>	<p>Medium</p>

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Specific Risks Hole by Hole

Hole 1				
Blind landing zone	Golfers	Check for players in these areas before taking shot.		Medium
Steps to access tee	Golfers	Extra care must be taken especially in adverse weather conditions, use handrail provided		Low
Over hit approach to Green	Golfers	Check for players in these areas before taking shot. Shout "fore" if your ball is likely to go near.		Low
Bridge	Golfer	Care must be taken when crossing, use hand rail provided. Grip strips have been added to improve grip.		Low
Slope right side of fairway	Golfers	Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions		Low
Hole 2				
Lateral hazard left side of hole	Golfer	Do not enter hazard to retrieve lost balls.		Medium
Houses right of hole		Ensure start line of intended shot is left enough to avoid possibility of ball coming to rest with the houses. Net is installed		Medium
Slope right side of fairway		Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions		Low
Hole 3				

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Streams, Riverbeds, Ponds Lakes	All Golfers	Be aware of the dangers of streams, riverbeds (wet or dry, muddy areas), lakes, ponds including slipping down banks, deep water, and slippery bridges. Do not step onto frozen water. Use ball retrievers whenever possible. Appropriate holes 1,2,4,5,6,7,8	Medium
Hidden Greens	Other Golfers, Greens Staff	Do not play to Greens until you are sure that the group in front have left. Greens that may be hidden from view for approach shot are holes 13,14,17	Low
Trees and other fixed hazards	Golfers and Playing partners	When playing near trees beware of balls ricocheting.	Low
Undulating ground, hollows, hills	All Golfers	Take care when walking over undulating ground especially when wet or icy. Appropriate to holes: 1,9,11,12	Medium
Driving Buggies	All Golfers	Take care on hills, hollows, and undulations. Take special care driving over bridges or near to brooks and on inclines. Keep speed to minimum.	Medium



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Hole 7 <i>Lateral water hazard left side of hole</i> <i>Slope right side of fairway</i> <i>Slope to access rear green</i>	Golfers Golfer Golfers	 <i>Do not enter hazard to retrieve lost balls.</i> <i>Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</i> <i>Access green via path on right side of green</i>	Medium Low Low
Hole 8			
<i>Step leading to approach and rear of green</i>	Golfer	<i>Extra care must be taken especially in adverse weather conditions, use handrail where provided.</i>	Low
<i>Miss hit tee shots right towards 7th Nicklaus</i>	Golfers	<i>Check for players in these areas before taking shot. Shout "fore" if your ball is likely to go near.</i>	Medium
<i>Leaving green to proceed to 9th tee</i>	Golfers	<i>Ensure that the group has completed teeing off before proceeding to the tee.</i>	Low

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<p>Lateral hazard right side of hole Slope left side of fairway</p>	<p>Golfers Golfers</p>	<p>Do not enter hazard to retrieve lost balls. Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</p>	<p>Medium Low</p>
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<p>Hole 4 Lateral hazard right side of hole Slope left side of hole</p>	<p>Golfers Golfers</p>	<p>Do not enter hazard to retrieve lost balls. Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</p>	<p>Medium Low</p>
<p>Hole 5 Pond and streams Bridge at rear of green</p>	<p>Golfers Golfers</p>	<p>Care must be taken when walking around ponds and streams especially in adverse weather conditions, use ball retriever where possible. Care must be taken when crossing, use hand rail provided. Grip strips have been added to improve grip.</p>	<p>Medium Low</p>
<p>Hole 6 Lateral water hazard right side of hole Houses left of hole Slope left side of hole</p>	<p>Golfer Public Golfers</p>	<p>Do not enter hazard to retrieve lost balls. Ensure start line of intended shot is right enough to avoid possibility of ball coming to rest with the houses Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</p>	<p>Medium Low Low</p>



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<p>Hole 12</p>	<p>Stream right side of hole and front of green Slope left side of fairway</p>	<p>Golfers Golfers</p>	<p>Care must be taken when walking around ponds and streams especially in adverse weather conditions, use ball retriever where possible. Use steps where provided to access the fairway</p>	<p>Medium Low</p>
<p>Hole 13</p>	<p>Stream left side of hole Road</p>	<p>Golfers Public</p>	<p>Care must be taken when walking around streams especially in adverse weather conditions, use ball retriever where possible. Ensure there is no members of the public using the road</p>	<p>Medium Medium</p>

<p>Hole 14</p>	<p>Bridge</p>	<p>Golfer</p>	<p>Care must be taken when crossing, use hand rail provided. Grip strips have been added to improve grip.</p>	<p>Low</p>
<p>Steps leading to green Slope left side of green</p>	<p>Golfer Golfers</p>	<p>Extra care must be taken especially in adverse weather conditions, use handrail where provided. Step covered to reduce risk of slipping Please access the green complex using the steps provided</p>	<p>Low Low</p>	

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Hole 9 <i>Blind tee shot</i> <i>Miss hit tee shots right towards 1st Kernow</i> <i>Crossing road</i>	Golfers Golfers Golfers	<i>Ensure the landing zone is clear before taking shot</i> <i>Check for players in these areas before taking shot. Shout "fore" if your ball is likely to go near.</i> <i>Beware when crossing of traffic using the road</i>	Medium Medium Medium
Hole 10	Golfers Golfers Golfers	<i>Give way to golfers already playing, allow them to fully pass through the crossover before resuming play</i> <i>Care must be taken around streams, use ball retriever where possible.</i> <i>Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</i>	Medium Medium Low
Hole 11	Golfers Golfers	<i>Extra care must be taken especially in adverse weather conditions, use handrail provided</i> <i>Care must be taken when walking around ponds especially in adverse weather conditions, use ball retriever where possible.</i>	Low Medium

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<p>Cross over from 9th Kerrow</p> <p>Pond</p> <p>Hotel, miss hit shot towards hotel</p>	<p>Golfers</p> <p>Golfers</p> <p>Public</p>	<p><i>Give way to golfers already crossing, allow them to fully pass through the crossover before resuming play.</i></p> <p><i>Care must be taken when walking around ponds especially in adverse weather conditions, use ball retriever where possible.</i></p> <p><i>Care should be taken to avoid ball being hit towards the hotel, shout "FORE" in a result of a stray shot.</i></p>	<p>Low</p> <p>Low</p> <p>Medium</p>
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Hole 15 <i>Blind tee shot</i> Road	Golfer public	 <i>Ensure it is safe to tee off and the group in front has clear your intended landing zone</i> <i>Ensure there is no members of the public using the road</i>	Low Medium
Hole 16 Road Slopes	Golfer Golfer	 <i>Ensure there is no members of the public using the road</i> <i>Care must be taken when walking especially in adverse weather conditions</i>	Medium Low
Hole 17 Accessing teeing ground Road Crossing road.	Golfer Public Golfer	 <i>Beware of golfers that maybe using the back tee</i> <i>Ensure there is no members of the public using the road.</i> <i>Beware when crossing of traffic using the road</i>	Low Medium Medium
Hole 18 Crossing road. Road.	Public Public	 <i>Check for traffic before crossing.</i> <i>Ensure there is no members of the public using the road when intending to tee off.</i>	Medium Medium

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The Course may be closed when extreme or adverse weather conditions mean it is dangerous to play or damage to the course would result if play were permitted. Such conditions could cause greens to become waterlogged, the course flooded, covered in snow or poor visibility due to fog. The decision to close the course is made by the Course Manager in consultation with the Professional Shop

The procedure for closing the course will be as follows: The Course Manager will ring the Professional Shop and inform them. The Course Manager will put up 'Course Closed' signs and the Professional Shop will update the web site Course Status.

FOG AND LOW CLOUD POLICY

The Marker Post to the right of the 1st fairway is clearly visible during normal conditions. In conditions of low cloud or fog when the Marker Post is not visible the Management may close the course. No players should attempt to play in those conditions. If there is a need to stop play due to low cloud or fog the Professional Shop will sound a long blast of the Klaxon. Players should return safely to the Clubhouse. Resumption of play will be signalled by two short blasts on the klaxon.

LIGHTNING POLICY

In the event of a lightning strike being seen within the vicinity of the Golf Club, the Professional Shop will close the course by sounding a long blast on the Klaxon. When a lightning storm has been seen in the course vicinity, no play is to commence until a period of 15 minutes from the last lightning strike/clap of thunder. Play will resume after two short blasts of the Klaxon. Three long blasts indicate complete abandonment of play.

If the Professional Shop is unavailable, it is incumbent upon each Player to assess the risks and ensure that they take appropriate measures to ensure safe passage from the course in the event of Fog or Lightning.


COMPETITIONS



During a Club competition the Competition Organiser in conjunction with the Professional Shop may close the course if it is considered the course has become unsuitable for play. In the event that the Competition Organiser, or Professional Shop is unavailable it is incumbent upon each Player to assess the risk and ensure that they take appropriate measures to ensure safe passage from the course.


Players should make themselves fully conversant with the rules of the competition in which they are playing. E.g. in some competitions a cessation of play may also mean the abandonment of that particular competition. In other competitions such as Opens or Invitation Days, the competition may be recommenced if and when conditions allow. In such circumstances players must mark the position of their ball in the correct manner, otherwise a penalty or disqualification will result.

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Hazard No.	List What Further Action Is Necessary to Control the Risk	Person Responsible	Completion Date

Assessment compiled by: Date of assessment:
 Signature:  Date to review further actions:
 Position: Assessment review date:

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The cease play signal is a long blast, and players should mark their ball and find somewhere safe to shelter. The all-clear signal is two short blasts, and if it sounds then play can resume. If this has not been sounded within ½ hour, then play must be abandoned. Three long blasts indicate **complete abandonment**.

For displaying as described below:

Playing golf on uneven terrain & changeable ground conditions carries inevitable risks.

You play this golf course having been made aware that a full risk assessment has been conducted, is available to be read on the;

- Club Website,
- in the General Office,
- Pro-Shop and
- Men's Locker Room
- Ladies Locker Room

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with its content.