

Dinaledi Golf Society

CODE OF CONDUCT

Background and Philosophical Position

- ▶ Membership of this society is by invitation only.
- ▶ Continued membership is not guaranteed but assured through adherence to this code of conduct.
- ▶ The affairs of the Society are run through a management committee which has the mandate to
 - ▶ Determine rules of play in excess of established rules of the game of golf.
 - ▶ Set out and monitor behaviour and the general conduct of members.
 - ▶ Apply set rules and common social norms to judge member conduct.
 - ▶ Use the code to mete out sanctions on members that transgress it.
- ▶ The Committee may co-opt members to act on their instructions at any time.

Key Pillars of the Code of Conduct

What the Society offers

- ▶ A network of like minded golfers.
- ▶ Extension of this to families.
- ▶ A minimum of 11 monthly games in good and professional courses.
- ▶ Competition within the Society and with other golf societies or clubs.
- ▶ An opportunity to explore business collaboration opportunities with fellow members.

What the Society expects

- ▶ Behaviour consistent with the accepted norms of the sport void of
 - ▶ Foul play and language
 - ▶ Embarrassing confrontation
- ▶ Punctuality as called by the Committee from time to time.
- ▶ Camaraderie between members of the Society.

Minimum Rules to observe.

(This list may be expanded by the Committee at its discretion)

- ▶ Payment of the annual subscription at the end of March each year confirms membership.
- ▶ The uniform is provided by the Society and must be worn as directed by the Committee.
- ▶ Unless stated specifically, members are to arrive for each game 20 minutes before the first tee-off and not 20 minutes before their specific tee-off time.
- ▶ Not showing up for a confirmed game is not only disrespectful but also costly.
- ▶ General correspondence should be directed in writing to the Secretary.
- ▶ Correspondence about attendance at a scheduled game should be directed to the Captain by sms at least and preferably seven days before a scheduled game.

Sanctions : Tolerable Behaviour

(The following behaviour is unbecoming but could be changed through mild sanctions and counseling)

- ▶ The Committee will at its discretion set in place processes to deal with behaviour that could be corrected arising from the list of misdemeanors that include the following:
 - ▶ Transgressing any of the minimum rules set above
 - ▶ Deliberate slow play and action deemed by other members as unbecoming.
- ▶ In such instances, the Committee will set a process to canvass ways of changing this behaviour (this could include a hearing) with the said member.
- ▶ After convening a third session with a member to discuss behaviour of this class, the Committee shall review the continued membership of the said member.

Sanction: Intolerable Behaviour

(The list hereunder is a guide and can be extended at the discretion of the Committee)

- ▶ Some behaviour has the potential to impair the reputation of the Society and its individual members. Such behaviour includes:
 - ▶ Foul play
 - ▶ On the course
 - ▶ Interfering with score cards
 - ▶ Deliberately submitting wrong scores on the national handicap system
 - ▶ Disruptive and confrontational behaviour.
- ▶ Such behaviour will result in a formal enquiry held and once the behaviour is confirmed, the Committee has the right to effect the dismissal of the said member from the Society without compensation.