



## SEVERE WEATHER POLICY

Play will be **SUSPENDED** if there is a threat to player safety or course playability due to **LIGHTNING**, **RAIN** or **WIND**. The decision will be arrived at following the consultation with the Host Club of the day.

### **LIGHTNING:**

- Play will be *SUSPENDED* and communicated via the Host Clubs warning system.
- On sounding of the warning system, *ALL PLAYERS MUST IMMEDIATELY CEASE PLAY*, mark their ball positions and return to the safety of the Clubhouse.
- *RESUMPTION OF PLAY* will be signalled by the sounding of the Host Clubs warning system.
- If the lightning threat persists to the point completion of play is deemed impossible due to fading light or at the discretion of the Club Captain or his delegate and after liaison with the Host Club, play will be *ABANDONED*.

### **RAIN:**

- If greens become unplayable due to casual water around holes, play will be *SUSPENDED* communicated via the Host Clubs warning system.
- On sounding of the warning system, *ALL PLAYERS MUST IMMEDIATELY CEASE PLAY*, mark their ball positions and either return to the Clubhouse or seek alternative shelter to await resumption of play.
- *RESUMPTION OF PLAY* will be signalled using the Host Clubs warning system.
- If flooding of greens persists to the point completion of play is deemed impossible due to fading light or at the discretion of the Club Captain or his delegate, play will be *ABANDONED* by the sounding of the Host Clubs warning system.

### **WIND:**

- If wind is blowing golf balls off greens, or is considered a danger to players due to its velocity therefore causing flying debris, or there is a risk of falling trees play will be *SUSPENDED* by the sounding of the Host Clubs warning system .
- On sounding of the warning siren, *ALL PLAYERS MUST IMMEDIATELY CEASE PLAY*, mark their ball positions and return to the safety of the Clubhouse.
- *RESUMPTION OF PLAY* will be signalled by the sounding of the Host Clubs warning system.
- If the wind persists to the point completion of play is deemed impossible due to fading light or at the discretion of the Club Captain or his delegate, play will be *ABANDONED* by the sounding of the Host Clubs warning system.

### **HEAT or COLD:**

- Play will **NOT BE SUSPENDED OR ABANDONED** due to temperature levels.
- It is recognized that individual players have varying levels of tolerance to temperature ranges. All players should accept and exercise *PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY* for their health/well-being when deciding to play, *PARTICULARLY WITH REGARD TO THE FORECASTED OR PREVAILING TEMPERATURE*. Players should ensure they wear appropriate clothing, comply with sun-smart behaviour and ensure adequate hydration through appropriate liquid intake.
- *IT IS A PERSONAL MATTER FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THEY PLAY.*