



Pitch and Putt Ireland Schools Competition Rules

1 - The flagstick shall be removed from the hole before a player plays a stroke on the green.

2 - At no time may the flagstick be attended or left lying on the green.

3 - A player shall have the option of using two or three clubs, one of which must be a putter. (NO WOODS ALLOWED)

4 - When a ball lies in a sand bunker the player shall not:
(i) Touch the ground in the sand bunker with a club
(ii) Test the condition of the sand bunker

5 - After playing a stroke, which leaves the ball clear of the sand bunker, the player must on leaving the sand bunker, ensure that irregularities in the sand bunker made by his/her feet or club head, are smoothed out.

6 - When a ball on the green is to be lifted, its position **MUST** be marked **BEFORE** it is lifted by placing an object such as a coin or pattern marker behind the ball on the line of the putt, if the object interferes with an opponent, it

should then be moved one or more putter's head lengths to one side. Standard Penalty applies.

7 - A ball lying on a putting green (including spare greens) other than that of the hole being played, must be lifted, and dropped at least two club lengths clear of the green at the nearest point of relief not nearer the hole, without penalty.

8 - Only a putter may be used on a green both in the course of play and in the repair of damage to a green as per Rule 8.8.

9 - Sprinklers: If a sprinkler head interferes with the backward or forward movement of a club, or if a ball lies in the depression around a sprinkler head, relief may be gained, without penalty, by placing the ball to either side and not nearer the hole, subject to approval of fellow competitor or Referee.

10 - The teeing ground is the starting place for the hole to be played. The front and sides must be defined, and the depth is not less than one club length. The ball shall be raised from the ground by placing it on a tee. If the ball falls off the tee or be knocked off by the player in addressing it, it shall be re-teed without penalty. If a stroke is made at the ball in these circumstances the stroke shall be counted, and the ball played as it lies.

11- Can all teams please check in 15 mins before the start of the competition.

12. Can all players bring plenty of golf balls, plastics tees (NO WOODEN TEES) and a Biro / pen to mark the card.

13 - Can all players bring a spare pair of runners / shoes to change after the competition as the pitch and courses are wet at the moment.