

Safety Guidelines – Shrewsbury Driving Range

Transcript

Page 1: Safety Guidelines

This short presentation explains the main safety points for the driving range. There are three areas to be aware of: what to do in an emergency, how to use a golf club safely, and how to stay safe when hitting golf balls.

Page 2: Emergency Evacuation

If there is a fire or another emergency, everyone may need to leave the immediate area of the building. If the alarm starts, evacuate the building immediately. Do not stay inside the building.

There are two designated meeting points. One is the car park and the other is the driving range area away from the building. Go to whichever of those two areas is closest to you at the time.

Page 3: Emergency Evacuation

These photographs show the two meeting areas.

The photograph on the left shows the front entrance and car park area.

The photograph on the right shows the driving range area away from the building.

You do not need to return to a particular side of the venue. The important point is to leave the building and go to the closest meeting point.

Page 4: Swinging a Golf Club

A golf club can cause serious injury if it strikes another person. It is important to consider where and when the club is swung.

Only swing a golf club when you are in a designated hitting area, such as one of the hitting bay mats.

Before swinging, make sure there is enough clear space around you for the club to move without coming close to another person. Check to your side and behind you.

Never swing a golf club in the direction of someone else.

Page 5: Swinging a Golf Club

The photographs show the hitting bay area where clubs can be swung safely. Each bay area is for one person at a time.

The individual bays provide the designated space for hitting golf balls. Swinging should only take place within these hitting areas. When not in a bay keep well clear of anyone swinging a club.

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Before making a swing, check the space around you. If somebody is close enough that the club could reach them, wait until the area is clear.

Slide 6: Hitting Golf Balls

Golf balls fly at high speed and can easily cause injury. Balls flying in the wrong direction or if somebody enters the range while balls are being hit are the biggest risks to avoid.

Only hit golf balls forwards towards the driving range target markers.

Stay behind the front edge of the hitting area.

If a golf ball rolls forwards from the mat, leave it where it is. Never step forwards to retrieve it, even if it is only a short distance away. There are no exceptions to this rule.

Slide 7: Hitting Golf Balls

The red line in this photograph shows the safety boundary at the front of the hitting area.

Remain on the hitting area side of that boundary while the driving range is in use.

The grass and range area beyond the boundary is where golf balls are travelling. Do not cross the boundary to retrieve a ball or for any other reason during the session.

The only exception is for emergency evacuation.