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| **Junior Sign Up Sheet** | | |
| Childs Name: | | |
| Date of Birth: | | |
| Address: | | |
| Parent/Guardian Name: | | |
| Parent/Guardian Phone: | | Child phone  If age appropriate? |
| Parent/Guardian Email: | | |
| Please state any medical/behavioural conditions you feel need to be disclosed:  (Please include all medical details that might be relevant in dealing in with your child in a safe manner, such as allergies, medication, special needs, etc.) |  | |
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| *I hereby consent to the above child participating in golf activities of the club in line with the Code of Ethics for Golf for Young People. I will inform the leader of any changes to the information above. I confirm that all details are correct, and I am able to give parental consent for my child to participate in and travel to all activities. I am happy for me, and my child, to receive appropriate communication through text and email.*  *I understand that photographs/videos will be taken during or at golf related events and may be used in the promotion of golf, including social media.*  *If selected for teams, I confirm I am happy with the travel arrangements the club may arrange for my child.*  *I acknowledge that the club is not responsible for providing adult supervision for my child except for formal junior club coaching, matches and competitions and that* ***I will supervise at 3 sessions throughout the season.*** | | |
| Name: | | |
| Signature: | | |

To accompany this form

1. Signed Parent code of conduct form.
2. Signed Junior member code of conduct form.
3. Parent Volunteer form.

**Type’s of Junior membership**

**Stage 1&2 Cadets**

This category is for junior members as a first introduction to golf. It involves activities and coaching in all areas of the game. It is skill dependant not age dependant and activities are appropriately challenging to develop the basics of the game. There are weekly practice sessions with a mix of PGA coaching and on course activities. We play a shortened version of the course from 100-150meters in 3 or 6 holes typically scramble format.

**Stage 3&4**

At this stage Juniors are more independent and have a basic understanding of the game. They can play more independently on the course and are working towards playing 9 or 18-hole competitions. There are weekly coaching sessions available in group format delivered by PGA professional. Parents may still be required to supervise from time to time.

We now have a graded membership pathway. Where juniors enter at a specific point on the scale depending on their age and progress along year on year thereafter. This is designed to make it as affordable as possible initially and to attract new members. As they progress to playing more independently and using the course more the price increases. This fee includes all professional coaching through all stages and I think offers great value for money.

**Junior membership pathway**

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| Year / Category | Age | Membership fee | Entry point age |
| 1 | (6)7-12 | €55 | New members age (6)7-12 |
| 2 | Variable | €75 | New members age 13-14 start here |
| 3 | Variable | €150 | New members age 15-16 start here. |
| 4 | Variable | €200 | New members age 17-21 Start at year 4 |

**Family Discount Rates**

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| Number of sibling golfers | Maximum Family membership rate |
| 1 | €200 |
| 2 | €350 |
| 3 | €400 |
| 4 | €450 |

We ask that parents of all stage 1 cadets stay on the premises during activities. A large part of your membership fee goes to cover the cost of PGA professional coaching. We still rely on parents and volunteers to help out with on course supervision and at stage 1 and 2 we require one non playing adult per group of 4. We would ask that parents agree to help out at at least 3 sessions throughout the season so we have enough volunteers to be able to bring kids out onto the course in a safe manner. This is what they really enjoy and we need parent volunteers to ensure we can do this. No experience of golf is essential. Training will be provided.

Please fill out the Volunteer form attached

**Courtown Golf Club**

**Parent Volunteer Form**

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| Parent’s Name/ Names | | Childs Name | | | |
| Contact Number |  | Are you a member of the club? | | | Yes No |
| Do you have an understanding of the rules of golf? | | | Yes No | | |
| **How would you like to help out? (See role descriptions below)** | | | | **Please tick √** | |
| Assist with supervision of Junior coaching sessions (Junior Leader) | | | |  | |
| Supervise on Course activities Stage 1 & 2 | | | |  | |
| Sit on Junior Committee | | | |  | |
| Administrative | | | |  | |
| Assist with marking cards for handicap. Stage 3 &4 | | | |  | |
| Organise competitions | | | |  | |
| Organise Social activities | | | |  | |

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| **Junior Activity Leader** | |
| Time: | Once a week for 1-2 hours |
| Duratio | Minimum requirement 3 weeks, maximum requirement 5 weeks. |
| Duties include: | * Liaising with Junior Convenor and PGA Professional * Setting up the activities agreed with PGA Professional for the session * Supporting the PGA Professional by delivering agreed activities with participants * Working with the PGA Professional on planning the sessions * Working with PGA Professional to review each weekly session |
| Ideal candidate should: | * Be good at facilitating peoples learning * Have a good relationship with the PGA Professional delivering the programme * Be confident in leading activities * Have the ability to set up activities as directed and keep the group active |

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| **On Course Leaders** | |
| Time: | Once a week for 1- 2 hours |
| Duration: | Minimum requirement 3 weeks, maximum requirement 5 weeks. |
| Duties include: | * Liaising with Junior Convenor * Taking a group of juniors out on the course for 1-2 hours * Going through basic rules and etiquette with the juniors * Recap session with the juniors after the round of golf * Maintain safety of Juniors on the course especially around water hazards. |
| Ideal candidate should: | * Be someone who is patient * If you don’t have golf experience don’t worry, training provided for non members. |

**Code of Conduct for Juniors**

Golf wishes to provide the best possible environment for all juniors involved in the sport. Juniors deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities, free of abuse of any kind. These participants have rights, which must be respected, and responsibilities that they must accept. Juniors should be encouraged to realise that they have responsibilities to treat other participants and Golf Leaders with fairness and respect.

Juniors are entitled to:

* Be safe and to feel safe
* Be listened to and believed
* Have fun and enjoy golf
* Have a voice in relation to their activities within golf
* Be treated with dignity, sensitivity and respect
* Participate on an equitable and fair manner, regardless of gender, appearance, age, ability, religion or belief, disability, social and ethnic background or political persuasion etc.
* Experience competition at a level at which they feel comfortable
* Make complaints and have them dealt with
* Be safe from risk of bullying behaviour
* Say No to things that make them feel unsafe
* Privacy and Confidentiality

Juniors should always:

* Give their friends a second chance
* Treat Golf Leaders with respect, (including professionals, coaches, convenors, club officials, etc.)
* Look out for themselves and the welfare of others
* Play fairly at all times, do their best
* Be organised and on time, tell someone if you are leaving a venue or competition
* Respect team members, even when things go wrong
* Respect opponents, be gracious in defeat
* Abide by the rules set down by team managers when travelling to away events, representing the club, school, province or country, etc.
* Behave in a manner that avoids bringing golf into disrepute
* Talk to the Children’s Officer within the club if they have any problems

Juniors should never:

* Cheat
* Use violence or engage in irresponsible, abusive, inappropriate or illegal behaviour
* Shout or argue with officials, team mates or opponents
* Harm team members, opponents or their property
* Bully or use bullying tactics to isolate another player or gain advantage
* Take banned substances, drink alcohol, smoke or engage inappropriate sexual behaviour
* Keep secrets, that may leave them or others at risk
* Tell lies about adults / juniors or spread rumours
* Discriminate against other players on the basis of gender, appearance, age, ability, religion or belief, disability, social and ethnic background or political persuasion

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**Printed name of junior** **Signature of Junior Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

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**Printed name of Parent/Guardian**  **Signature of Parent/Guardian Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Parents/Guardians Code of Conduct**

As a parent/guardian of a junior member, we would encourage you to consider the following messages as Golf wants to help you continue supporting your child to reach their full potential and enjoy their time within golf, therefore please

To help your child have a positive experience remember to:

* Focus on what your child wants to get out of golf
* Be the best role model you can be
* Help your child achieve their potential
* Be respectful of other children and coaches
* Communicate with the coach and club/organisation

Parents are expected to co-sign their child’s code of conduct form and this specific parental expectation form.

Golf and its affiliated organisations believe that parents should:

* Be a role model for your child and maintain the highest standards of conduct when interacting with juniors, other parents, officials and organizers.
* Always behave responsibly and do not seek to unfairly affect a player or the outcome of the game
* Never intentionally expose any junior to embarrassment or disparagement using flippant or sarcastic remarks.
* Always recognize the value and importance of the officials and volunteers who provide sporting and recreational opportunities for your child. Do not publicly question the judgement or honesty of referees, coaches or organisers. Respect convenors, professionals, coaches, referees, orgainsers and other players. Parents are welcome to attend events and coaching sessions but should not interfere with the coach or professional while working with the player.
* Encourage your child to play by the rules. Teach your child that honest endeavor is as important as winning and do all you can to encourage good sportsmanship.
* Set a good example by applauding good play. Encourage mutual respect for teammates and opponents.
* Parents should support all efforts to remove abusive behavior and bullying behavior in all its forms.
  + The rules and procedures set down by Golf.
  + My child’s teammates and leaders as well as players, parents and coaches from opposing teams.
* I will never demonstrate threatening or abusive behavior or use foul language.

Any misdemeanours and breach of this code of conduct will be dealt with immediately by a Golf official. Persistent concerns or breaches will result in the parent/guardian being asked not to attend competitions if their attendance is detrimental to the child’s welfare.

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**Signature of Parent/Guardian** **Printed name of Parent/Guardian Date**