

## **Settle and Giggleswick Golf Club Health and Safety Risk Analysis**

1. Settle and Giggleswick Golf Club has a degree of complexity in terms of health and safety risk analysis. The factors that add to the complexity include:

- The Golf Club does not own all the land it plays on.
- The terrain has a number of rocky outcrops and has a number of changes in elevation.
- There is a public right of way through the Golf Club.
- The Clubhouse and carpark is divided from the playing area by a main road. This main road also directly abuts one of the holes and the practice area.
- Provision of grounds services is mainly conducted by a third party.

2. After assessing the health and safety aspects of the course, four main risk areas were identified which in turn highlighted a number of specific risks:

- Given the significant number of aging trees on the course and around the clubhouse damage to property or injury to persons by falling trees or boughs.
- Slipping or tripping on rough, sloping or slippery terrain.
- Being hit by a golf ball.
- Being involved in a collision with a vehicle when moving between the clubhouse carpark and the playing area.

Risk Number	Activity	Hazard	Outcome	Management	Likelihood	Severity
	<b>RISK</b>			<b>Treat, Tolerate or Transfer</b>	(1-4)	(1-4)
1	Approaching the Men's 10 <sup>th</sup> tee from the course entrance	The pathway becomes slippery causing someone to fall	Resulting in an injury	<p><b>Treat</b></p> <p>Block off the access to the 10<sup>th</sup> tee from below the men's 1<sup>st</sup> tee.</p> <p>Re-route the path to the men's 10<sup>th</sup> tee along a more gentle incline in front of the men's 1<sup>st</sup> tee</p>	3	2
2	Approaching or leaving the 2 <sup>nd</sup> tee	The terrain is uneven and slippery causing someone to fall	Resulting in an injury	<p><b>Treat</b></p> <p>Move the 'Next T' sign beyond the rocks to imply that players should use the more gentle slope to the 2<sup>nd</sup> tee</p>	3	2
3	Leaving the 2 <sup>nd</sup> green and heading to the 3 <sup>rd</sup> tee	The terrain is uneven and slippery causing someone to fall	Resulting in an injury	<p><b>Treat</b></p> <p>Relay the pathway and level out the changes in terrain.</p>	2	2
4	When approaching or leaving the men's 5 <sup>th</sup> medal tee	The terrain is steep, uneven and slippery causing someone to fall	Resulting in an injury	<p><b>Tolerate</b></p> <p>The terrain cannot be easily altered to improve safety and the hazard is visual and obvious.</p>	2	2

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5	Leaving the 7 <sup>th</sup> tees and descending to the fairway	The pathway becomes slippery causing someone to fall	Resulting in an injury	<b>Treat</b> Relay the pathway and level out the changes in terrain. OR Reroute the path from the tees to take advantage of less steep changes in terrain	3	3
6	Approaching the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee from the 9 <sup>th</sup> green	They are struck by a ball driven from the 1 <sup>st</sup> or 10 <sup>th</sup> tee	Resulting in an injury	<b>Treat</b> On the scorecard advise players to approach the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee via the practice area and paths	1	3
7	Whilst on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> tee	Someone is struck by a ball driven from the 1 <sup>st</sup> or 10 <sup>th</sup> tee	Resulting in injury	<b>Treat</b> On the scorecard advise players to wait for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> tee to be clear before teeing off from the 1 <sup>st</sup> or the 10 <sup>th</sup> tee.	1	3
8	Whilst moving from the 2 <sup>nd</sup> green to the 3 <sup>rd</sup> tee	Someone is struck by a ball driven from the 5 <sup>th</sup> tee	Resulting in injury	<b>Tolerate</b> All golfers should be aware of the dangers of passing near other tees and crossing fairways	1	3

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9	Whilst moving from the 7 <sup>th</sup> tee to the fairway	Someone is struck by a ball played from the 6 <sup>th</sup> fairway	Resulting in injury	<b>Tolerate</b> Without re-routing the path to the 7 <sup>th</sup> fairway there is no further feasible mitigation	1	3
10	Whilst using the public footpath	Someone is struck by a ball	Resulting in injury	<b>Treat</b> Signage at the public entrances to the Golf Course advising members of the public to be vigilant at all times. AND On the scorecard advise players to be mindful of members of the public using the public footpath.	1	3
11	Whilst using the public footpath	Someone is either struck by a ball or experiences a near miss	Resulting in reputational damage to the Golf Club	<b>Treat</b> Signage at the public entrances to the Golf Course advising members of the public to be vigilant at all times. AND On the scorecard advise players to be mindful of members of the public using the public footpath.	1	3

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12	Whilst on the 9 <sup>th</sup> fairway	Someone is struck by a ball driven from the 9 <sup>th</sup> tee	Resulting in injury	<b>Treat</b> Nominate this a 'bell hole' when all groups should indicate they have cleared the blind driving area by ringing the bell.	1	3
13	Whilst driving from the 9 <sup>th</sup> tee	Someone or a vehicle is struck by a ball	Resulting in accident or injury	<b>Treat</b> Insure against this risk.	1	3
14	Whilst playing from the practice area	Someone or a vehicle is struck by a ball	Resulting in accident or injury	<b>Treat</b> Insure against this risk.	1	3
15	Whilst moving between the carpark and the playing area	Someone causes an accident	Resulting in injury or damage	<b>Tolerate</b> All users of the golf course should be aware of the risks of crossing a main road	2	4
16	Whilst undertaking grounds maintenance work	A paid groundsman is involved in an accident	Resulting in damage or injury	<b>Transfer</b> Risks in this category are owned by Giggleswick School as the grounds maintenance provider	2	2

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17	Whilst undertaking grounds maintenance work	A Golf Club member is involved in an accident	Resulting in damage or injury	<p><b>Treat</b></p> <p>Obtain copies of the relevant risk assessments pertinent to grounds staff and mitigate accordingly</p>	2	2
18	Moving on the course	A person is hit by a falling tree or bough	Resulting in injury or death	<p><b>Treat</b></p> <p>Carry out a tree survey to identify trees at risk. Discuss with Giggleswick School to carry out remedial work to make the trees safe.</p> <p><b>Transfer</b></p> <p>In the absence of appropriate remedial work being carried out transfer the risk to Giggleswick School.</p>	1	4

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	<b>RISK</b>			<b>Treat, Tolerate or Transfer</b>	(1-4)	(1-4)
19	Damage to property	Falling tree or boughs	Resulting in damage to golf club property or vehicles	<p><b>Treat</b> Carry out a tree survey to identify trees at risk. Discuss with Giggleswick School to carry out remedial work to make the trees safe.</p> <p><b>Tolerate</b> Tolerate the residual risk by having suitable insurance in place.</p>	2	3

**Settle and Giggleswick Golf Club Health and Safety Risk Matrix**

S E V E R I T Y	4	18	15		
	3	6-14	19	5	
	2		3   4 16-17	1   2	
	1				
		1	2	3	4
	LIKELIHOOD				

- 1 – Fall 10<sup>th</sup> tee
- 2 – Slip 2<sup>nd</sup> tee
- 3 – Slip 2<sup>nd</sup> green to 3<sup>rd</sup> tee
- 4 – Fall 5<sup>th</sup> tee
- 5 – Fall 7<sup>th</sup> path
- 6-14 – Hit by ball
- 15 – Crossing road
- 16-17 – Groundwork incident
- 18-19 – Falling trees or boughs