

Balcarrick Golf Club

Litter Prevention on the course

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Litter on the golf course

- Litter includes cigarette and cigar butts, plastic bottles, cigarette packaging, golf ball boxes, broken plastic tees and various assorted discarded paraphernalia.
- Littering the golf course, clubhouse and surrounds is inappropriate and socially unacceptable behaviour.
- Members and committee of Balcarrick Golf Club disapprove of littering.
- Disposing of litter is every player's personal responsibility.
 - Personal actions are needed to reduce littering, rather than depending on actions by club staff, who have more than enough to do in keeping the course in good condition for us all.
- Every bit of litter damages the course and, ultimately, the environment.

Litter on the golf course

- Litter is unsightly, is damaging to the environment, gets into waterways and is hazardous to wildlife.
- At some clubs, including Balcarrick, interested members pick up litter during a round and deposit it in the nearest available litter bin. These people are to be commended.
- If all members were as careful, or took as much pride in their own golf course, litter would be no problem.
- We all end up with potential litter items during a round of golf. The trick is to carry the item to the nearest litter bin and do your bit to “Keep Balcarrick litter free”.

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- The following incorporates the definition used in the *Littering Behaviour Studies*¹ and the size limitation proposed by *Lessons from the litter-ature*² (http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/resources/community/2005608_litterreport.pdf):

Litter

- *Any solid waste object (disposable item or resource) that can be held or carried in a person's hand, that is left behind or placed in an inappropriate location.*
- *Any such material or item disposed of in an inappropriate manner is to be regarded as litter – the end outcome of an environmentally undesirable disposal action.*