'SEVERE WEATHER' PROCEDURE

The following procedure is to be followed in the event of severe snow/ice/flooding etc. which causes the Leisure Centre to close and/or prevents team members, teams, or Green Stewards reaching the Leisure Centre.

1.0 LEISURE CENTRE CLOSED

If the centre closes then clearly rinks will not be available for play. In this event the procedure will be as follows:-

1.1 LEISURE CENTRE MANAGEMENT will inform **RIBC** immediately a decision is made to close the centre, and to give some indication of length of closure if at all possible.

Contact for Centre will be - **BOOKINGS COORDINATOR**Contact for RIBC will be - **LEAGUE SECRETARY** and/or **TREASURER**

- 1.2 The LEAGUE SECRETARY or TREASURER will inform the SENIOR GREEN STEWARD (other club officials as necessary) of the closure details.
- **1.3** The **SENIOR GREEN STEWARD** will inform the **GREEN STEWARDS** of those leagues affected by the closure as soon as possible.
- **1.4** The **GREEN STEWARDS** will inform the **TEAM CAPTAINS** of the affected leagues.
- **1.5** The **TEAM CAPTAINS** will inform their **TEAM MEMBERS** as appropriate.

2.0 SESSIONS CANCELLED BY CLUB OFFICIALS

If, in the opinion of Club Officials (at least two of the Secretary, Treasurer, League Secretary, Competitions Secretary, or Senior Green Steward), conditions are considered too bad or dangerous for play, they may cancel whole sessions or day's play.

Due regard is to be given to the Local radio forecasts which advise on travel and other conditions. In this event, the procedure will be as in sections **1.2** to **1.5** above.

<u>NOTE</u> - In both the above cases (sections 1.0 & 2.0), neither team will be liable for the cost of green fees.

3.0 OTHERS

If you have not been informed (as in 1.0 or 2.0 above) you may assume that rinks are available for play. If you are unable to reach the centre to play your match, **then you** are required to inform the club as detailed below.

- **3.1 TEAM MEMBERS** Contact your **TEAM CAPTAIN** and advise him/here that you <u>cannot</u> reach the centre and therefore <u>cannot</u> play. (This will enable the Team Captain to determine whether he/she is able to field a team)
- **3.2 TEAM CAPTAINS** Based on the inputs received from your various **TEAM MEMBERS**, contact your opposing **TEAM CAPTAIN** and determine whether or not you can **both field a team**. If you cannot, then either you or your opposing **CAPTAIN** should inform the **GREEN STEWARD** that you have cancelled the match. If you can both field a team, then again, one of you should inform the **GREEN STEWARD** accordingly.
- **NOTE** As per League Rules, rule 5 states that matches may not be postponed or cancelled by either team. Therefore, in the event of a cancellation by one team only, they are responsible for the full cost of the green fees. If it is a joint decision, each team will be responsible for their share of the cost.

Not bothering to turn-up for a match without informing the Club and/or your opposing Captain leaves you liable for the full cost of both teams green fees.

3.3 GREEN STEWARDS - If you are unable to reach the Centre and are aware that some matches will be played (as detailed in 3.2 above) you should contact the **SENIOR GREEN STEWARD** and advise him of the situation. He will attempt to find a replacement for you.

In the event of cancellations having occurred, please make a note on the score cards and Green Steward Sheets of any relevant information so that the **Treasurer** and **League Secretary** are fully aware of the cancellation details.

4.0 LEAGUE RESULTS

Entries of matches cancelled (as in para's 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0 above), will be dealt with by entering a code "C" against the match, which will automatically enter no score and no league points for that match. The event will be displayed under Column 'C' of the league tables as a cancelled match.