



## How can I access the Golf Bag?

There are sixty Golf Bags throughout Scotland. They are located at Golf Clubs, local council offices, Scottish Natural Heritage offices, and with some Scottish Golf Union Area Representatives. Each Bag is looked after by a Golf Bag Manager, who lends it out and ensures its safe return when borrowers have finished.

Using the Bag is very easy, and is similar to borrowing books from your local library. Contact the Bag Manager nearest to you, arrange to collect the Bag from them, and agree how long you will borrow it for. You need to return it by the agreed date or arrange to keep it for longer if you wish, as long as nobody else has requested it in the meantime.

#### Contact:

Copies of the Golf Bag Handbook and a list of all the Bag Managers are available from the Scottish Golf Course Wildlife Group. Just give us a call and we will send the list and a copy of the Golf Bag Handbook if you do not already have one, or give you the details of your nearest Bag Manager over the phone.

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# What is the Golf Bag?

The Golf Bag is no ordinary sports bag. Instead of the usual golf shoes, polo shirts and socks, it contains a wealth of informative and inspirational material on environmental aspects of golf course management and design. The contents range from text books and technical reports to leaflets, maps and videos.

Together with an explanatory Handbook, the Golf Bag is designed to be an effective, efficient, and user-friendly way of delivering the material and its message to the golfing community at large.

# Who should use the Golf Bag?

Anyone who is a member of the golfing community can use the Bag. For instance, are you a club secretary, or a committee member? Are you directly involved in the management or maintenance of a course? Do you provide professional advice related to golf? Or are you a contractor who works in the golf industry?

No matter which of these groups you belong to, you will gain from using the Bag. It may also be of use to members of the wider community who are interested in taking up golf, or volunteering to help with course management, or to young people who will form the next generation of players of the game.

## What is in the Golf Bag?

There are thirty four items in the Golf Bag, covering a range of topics e.g.

- tree planting and care.
- pond construction and management.
- coastal erosion.
- general guides on ecological principles of golf courses.
- a green office guide.
- videos showing practical projects carried out on golf courses.
- a collection of case studies of good practice.
- plus many others.

# How do I use the Golf Bag?

Because environmental management is such a big subject, with many diverse aspects, the Golf Bag contains a large number of items. Not everyone will be interested in every item - indeed, to try and plough through everything in the Bag would probably be more confusing than informative, as well as taking an inordinate amount of time.

This is where the Golf Bag Handbook comes in handy. It guides you through the Bag to the items that are of most interest to you, and gives a detailed description of each item to help you decide which are most appropriate.



