

## **Croquet Information**

For those of you that are new to croquet, this is some basic information that you may find helpful.

## **CROQUET ATTIRE**

It is a long-established, worldwide, croquet tradition for croquet players to wear all white apparel. For females this consists of a white skirt, or white slacks or white shorts and a white blouse or golf shirt.

For males this is white shorts or white long pants and a white golf shirt or a long sleeve white shirt. If you are looking for an inexpensive source for long white pants, Dickies sells white painters' pants on their web site that are durable and inexpensive. You can cut the tool loops off the sides of the pants if you do not want to advertise that they are painters' pants.

If it is cold, people wear white sweaters, white sweater vests, or white jackets. Shoes should be flat soled, lawn friendly shoes. If socks are worn, they should be all white.

## **CROQUET EQUIPMENT**

The ECC Croquet Club will have an initial supply of mallets for people to use. But, just like in golf or tennis, as players get more experienced, they may want to buy their own mallet. The only croquet equipment that an individual would normally ever own is a mallet and perhaps a case to carry it in.

Inexpensive, wooden mallets made for playing backyard croquet are not suitable to use with the heavy, professional quality, balls we use in Golf Croquet. Do not waste your money buying one of these as you will not be satisfied with it.

**National Croquet Center**: The NCC has a good selection of mallets, mallet covers and accessories on their web site at <a href="https://www.nationalcroquetcenterproshop.com/collections/mallets">https://www.nationalcroquetcenterproshop.com/collections/mallets</a>. The mallets range in price from \$122 to \$525 plus tax and shipping.

**Oakley Woods:** Oakley Woods at <a href="https://www.oakleywoods.com/croquet-mallets/">https://www.oakleywoods.com/croquet-mallets/</a> has mallets from \$110 to \$385 plus tax and shipping. They also sell accessories. The ECC Croquet Club owns three different types of Oakley Woods mallets. You can try out one of these before you buy.

**Wood Mallets:** Wood Mallets in New Zealand at <a href="https://www.woodmallets.com">https://www.woodmallets.com</a> makes an excellent line of high-quality mallets and accessories. The mallets cost \$152 to \$254 but the shipping cost from New Zealand adds about 70% to the cost which makes them \$258 to \$432.

**Professional Croquet Mallet:** Professional Croquet Mallet, located in Alexandria, Egypt sells mallets on eBay <a href="https://www.ebay.com/itm/124677363720">https://www.ebay.com/itm/124677363720</a> for \$170 + \$50 shipping. Egypt is home of some of the best croquet players in the world. Croquet is extremely popular there.

**The Croquet Association of the UK:** The Croquet Association has a variety of mallets and accessories on their web site at: <a href="https://www.croquetassociationshop.org.uk/">https://www.croquetassociationshop.org.uk/</a>