CLUB TESTING SERVICE

Dear Player

As you know, The R&A will be adopting the groove condition at all of its Championships from 2014. In order to assist players to determine the status of their clubs against the 2010 specifications, The R&A will provide a testing service. Whilst there will be no charge for this service, you will be responsible for the cost of shipping your clubs to The R&A's offices as well as organising insurance cover, if desired.

Please be sure to follow the steps below to determine whether it is necessary for you to submit your clubs for testing and, if so, to ensure proper handling if submitted:

Step 1:	Access the Informational Club Database to determine the status of your clubs at the following link: http://www.randa.org/groovesearch Please note that new models of clubs submitted to the governing bodies on or after 1 January 2010 are not included in the database as they are required to conform to the 2010 groove specifications by the Rules of Golf. If you have a new model of iron which was manufactured after 1 January 2010, please contact The R&A's Equipment Standards department before sending your clubs to us for testing.
Step 2:	If your clubs are listed and it is indicated that they meet the 2010 groove rules (signified by "YES" in the "Meets 2010 Groove Rules" column), **do not** submit your set to The R&A. A "YES" status means that you are permitted to play your set when the condition of competition is in effect. If your clubs are listed and it is indicated that they do not meet the 2010 groove rules (signified by "NO" in the "Meets 2010 Groove Rules" column), **do not** submit your set to The R&A. Clubs listed as "NO" must not be used in competitions where the condition is in effect. **Note: Clubs submitted to The R&A that fit within either category noted above will be returned to the submitter without testing.** If your clubs are listed in the database as ATR or your clubs are not listed in the database, you may follow the steps below to submit your clubs to The R&A for evaluation. Again, if you have a new model that does not appear in the database, please contact The R&A to confirm its conformance status prior to submitting your set for testing.
Step 3:	Fully complete the submission form below.
Step 4:	Thoroughly clean your clubs, particularly the grooves. Failure to submit cleaned clubs may result in a delay in processing your request.
Step 5:	Send the clubs to be tested to the following address, along with the completed submission form: The R&A, 6 Pilmour Links, St Andrews, Fife, KY16 9JG, Scotland.
	Note 1: There will be dedicated personnel conducting testing and we will perform the testing as quickly as possible.
	Note 2: An entrant may also personally deliver his or her clubs to The R&A for testing. Please contact The R&A to arrange a convenient drop-off date and time.

All queries should be directed to The R&A's Equipment Standards department on 01334 460000 or by email to equipmentstandards@randa.org.

GROOVE TEST SUBMISSION FORM

CONTACT DETAILS

Name:	
Address:	
Email address:	
Phone number:	
Championship being entered:	
Qualifying event:	

LIST OF CLUBS ENCLOSED

Club Type (e.g. Iron, wood etc)	Model name (use markings on head to assist)	Club no. or Loft	Year of manufacture	Database Status (Circle as applicable)	
				ATR	Not listed
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				ATR	Not listed
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