



GOLF AT GOODWOOD

Return to Golf
GUIDELINES



Your Safety AT GOODWOOD

Golf At Goodwood will be re-opening on Thursday 14 May,
in line with Government guidance.

The main priority above anything else, is the safety of our members and staff, as well as ensuring Golf At Goodwood is operating in a manner which is in line with the supporting documents set out by the R&A, PGA, England Golf and British Government.

England Golf have advised clubs that everyone should be guided by their message of - Play Safe, Stay Safe.

This document has been produced to provide members with an overview of what a return to golf will look like at our club. It is expected that the guidelines laid out will change as time progresses and as such, updated versions of the return to golf guidelines will be released in line with those updates.

THE COURSES

Whilst we have been closed, Simon Berry and Rob Dyer have been tirelessly working to maintain the courses in line with the guidelines that were set by the R&A, these guidelines can be seen [here](#) and we are incredibly thankful for all of their hard work throughout this period.

Whilst the courses have undoubtedly benefited from a prolonged rest period, we have been operating with staff levels at 15-30% of usual capacity. As such, we anticipate a two-week window needed to get the courses back to their full capabilities. Therefore, throughout the reopening period we will be reducing the height of grass on the greens, the length of rough, restoring the bunkers and focusing on our attention to detail.

We thank you all for your continued support, positivity and patience that has been shown throughout this period and we look forward to welcoming you back to the club soon.

Gary Beves
General Manager



ACCESS FOR ALL

With golf courses shut since 24th March, we understand that you will be eager to get back to the club and start playing. With this in mind and to create as much opportunity as possible for all of our members to play, we will be implementing the following access for all policy as part of the reopening plan.

- Tee times will be for one and two balls only
- Members can only book one of the following per day:

The Park Front 9 – 9 holes
The Park Back 9 – 9 holes
The Downs Front 9 – 9 holes
The Downs – 18 holes

- Members can only be assigned to one tee time per day.
- We understand that people will be eager to play and as such, members will only be able to hold two tee bookings at one time to create a fair opportunity for all of our members to enjoy a game of golf.
- Staff will be present at the first and tenth tees throughout the day and will have the necessary PPE available to them.
- There will be no Pay and Play allowed in the initial reopening of the club to ensure maximum opportunity for members to play.
- Only players on the tee sheet should be present at the club.
- Members are encouraged to play with other members at all times throughout the initial reopening period, should this not be possible, members are entitled to invite a guest to join them.

TEE SHEET BOOKING

Members are asked to make all bookings through the Intelligent Golf system. For anyone who would prefer to call or are having trouble making a booking, a limited phone service will be operated between 0900 and 1700 on 01243 755133. **Please do not visit the club to book a tee time.**

- Tee times are available between 0730 – 1800, seven days a week.
- The tee sheet will open for bookings from 0730 and will allow members the opportunity to book up to four days in advance.
- Our current cancellation policy will apply; however we ask all to be respectful of their fellow members and to make extra effort to cancel their tee times if they can no longer make them.

SERVICES

Buggies

Members are encouraged to walk where at all possible and may wish to consider carrying a half set to help them get around the course.

We do, however, understand that some may need a buggy to enjoy the game. Buggies will be offered on a 'buy one, get one free' basis to ensure that each buggy is only used by one person (two people from the same household may share).

Buggy bookings must be made prior to arrival either by adding at the time of booking on Intelligent Golf or by calling 01243 755133.

Hire sets

Hire sets will not be available during the initial reopening of the club.

Electric/pull trollies

There will be a limited number of pull and electric trollies for hire, which must be selected at the time of booking on Intelligent Golf or by calling 01243 755133.

During the initial reopening guidelines, all services including buggies will be available to be booked for golf between the hours of 0730-1400 and will be fully washed and disinfected before and after use.

The pull trollies, usually available in the car park at The Kennels to transport clubs across, will not be available.

PRACTICE FACILITIES

It is unclear at this time whether practice facilities will be able to open at the same time as the golf courses, however we anticipate that the practice putting greens will be open, these are only for use by people who are due to be playing. The flags will be removed and players should practice social distancing at all times.

This section will be updated accordingly once we have received official guidance.

ARRIVAL AND WAITING TO PLAY

- The clubhouse, including golf receptions and all associated facilities will be closed, however there will be a starter on the first and tenth tees.
- Members are asked to arrive at the club no earlier than 15 minutes before their allotted tee time.
- Whilst our car parks do not have allocated bays, we ask all members where possible to ensure extra distance is left between each vehicle when parking. Due to the other facilities currently being closed, there is adequate parking at both courses to ensure this is possible.
- Members are asked to change into their golf shoes in the car parks.
- Please do not arrive at the tee until five minutes before you are due to play.
- Caddies are not permitted.

Do not visit the club if you have any of the COVID-19 symptoms, if you are in self isolation due to a household member displaying symptoms or if you have been out of the country within the last 14 days. If you are unsure what the symptoms are, please click [here](#).

ON THE COURSE

- We ask all members to ensure they are appropriately socially distancing on the course at all times, with a minimum of two metres distance between players.
- Only one person is permitted on the tee at any given time.
- No rakes are permitted in the bunkers, please

smooth down with your foot or club once you have played.

- No tee markers are on the course – play from where you would like.
- Please do not touch the flag – we have installed a liner to allow for easy ball retrieval from the cup.
- To minimise the need to lift the ball from the hole, a ball is holed with the next stroke if it is within 12 inches of the hole.
- Please do not look for other players balls.
- Ball washers and bins have been covered over or removed to avoid unnecessary touching.
- The gazebo will be open for takeaway services.
- The on-course toilets will be open for use. They will be regularly cleaned and sanitised.

In addition to the starters there will be a marshal on course to help with any queries. The marshal has full authority to ensure these guidelines are followed. Anyone found to be disobeying the new guidelines will be asked to leave the course immediately

POST GOLF

After your round it is equally important to ensure we are following the guidelines. Once you have finished, please go straight to your car and leave the facility to ensure there is no gathering around the clubhouse

FURTHER UPDATES

This document has been created to ensure all Members and staff remain safe whilst visiting Golf At Goodwood.

The situation surrounding COVID-19 and golf is ever changing and as such the above guidelines will be regularly reviewed in line with the latest Government recommendations. Any amendments will be added and distributed to Members as and when appropriate.

Members not adhering to the above guidelines will be asked to leave the facility immediately and may face having their Membership suspended or terminated.



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