

COVID-19
MONMOUTH GOLF CLUB
PROCEDURES FOR GOLFERS

These procedures have been designed in accordance with Welsh Government and Golf Union Wales directions. It is more than likely that we will experience no-notice audits and the Welsh Government is taking steps to strengthen powers held by local councils. Any non-compliance on our part is likely to result in us being prohibited from operating.

General Principles

Members with colds or any symptoms of COVID-19 must stay away from the golf course.

Social distancing rules of 2 metres are to be observed at all times.

Tee times are amended to 10 minute intervals and are to be booked in advance using BRS via the club web site.

Daily start sheets based on BRS will be produced which can be used for 'track and trace' by medical or other authorities should the need arise subsequently. **Track and trace is a legal requirement and we are empowered to refuse access to anyone withholding the basic information of telephone number and email address.**

There will be no formal roll-ups. However, some board and other competitions may be run at the discretion of the Club, Ladies and Seniors' Captains. Some competitions will be managed using Masterscoreboard and, for these, members should register for the competition on Masterscoreboard in the first instance rather than BRS. The respective Captain will make arrangements for the tee-time bookings to be entered onto BRS at least 24 hours in advance to maintain a single track and trace system.

Tee times are open for up to 4 players from multiple households.

Members, guests with members and visitors are allowed to play on the course.

Members may use their own golf buggies. Members of the same household may share a buggy. The buggy is to be sanitised thoroughly before and after the round when being parked in the members' buggy park.

Club buggies will be readily available during the clubhouse office operating hours of 0900-1500 daily with the exception of Wednesdays when it will be closed. The buggy must be pre-booked with the club office and exceptional issue arrangements may be possible outside normal office hours. Only members of the same household may share a buggy. Keys and disclaimer certificates will be administered through the admin office. The buggy will be prepared and sanitised before use. Those using the buggy are to ensure that all personal equipment and all rubbish is removed from the buggy when being parked up. Keys are to be returned as directed and Club staff will then clean and sanitise the buggy.

Adult guests will pay a green fee of £15. Junior guests will pay a green fee of £5. Visitors will pay £20. Buggy costs are £12 for members and £15 for visitors. Green fees for guests and buggy fees are to be paid by the club member using **BACS transfer to Sort Code 20-00-85, Account 80617016, and using the members surname as the Reference**. Visitors fees will be taken over the phone through the club office.

Society groupings or competition groupings on the patio before, during or after the golf are limited to no more than 30 people. Social distancing is to be maintained at all times.

The clubhouse will be open on the patio for food and beverages from 0900-1500 daily with the exception of Wednesday every week when it will be closed. Because only people from the same household or extended household may sit at the same table inside, it has been decided that the interior of the clubhouse will remain closed.

The latest Welsh Government regulations, reinforced by both the Licensing Office and Golf Wales, have imposed very strict operating procedures on us as follows:

- a. When moving to the first tee to play golf and when the clubhouse is open, at least one member of the grouping is to register their arrival at the patio doors so that the BRS track and trace system can be updated and validated.
- b. Toilet facilities, accessed through the patio doors, will be available only on a one-in-one-out basis. All people wishing to use the toilets are to wear face coverings. Everyone must hand sanitise **before** touching the toilet door and wash hands and sanitise **before** leaving the toilet.
- c. All food and drink is provided on a table service basis only.
- d. On arrival at the patio area for food and drink, all members, guests and visitors are to maintain social distancing and take a seat at a vacant table. If no table is available, you should remain outside of the patio area until a table becomes available.
- e. Orders for food and drink and payment by contactless card will be taken by clubhouse staff at the table, the food and drink will be delivered on trays to the table.
- f. The food and drink is to be consumed at the table. Members, guests and visitors are not permitted to mingle in the patio area.

Players should bring their own hand sanitiser for regular use during the round.

Rules for Golfers

If you are ill or have symptoms, stay at home.

Book your tee time via BRS on the club website in advance. Separate instructions apply for the booking of competitions. Nobody is allowed to play on the course without a BRS booking.

Pay for any guests and buggies in advance via BACS as indicated above.

Ensure you have sufficient equipment for your personal use throughout the round.

Aim to arrive at the club no more than 15 minutes prior to play.

Park your car in such a way as to facilitate social distancing and maintain social distancing at all times in the vicinity of the clubhouse area whilst preparing to start the round.

Change your shoes in the car park.

The Practice Net is out of bounds. The Practice Ground is open.

Arrive at the first tee no more than 5 minutes before your allotted time. **Please check-in at the patio doors on your way to the 1st tee.**

All rounds are to start from the 1st tee only.

Observe social distancing at all times on the course. In particular, concentrate on social distancing around each tee area.

Do not exchange or share equipment, scorecards, food or drink with other players during your round.

It is essential that players maintain a good pace at all times to prevent any possibility of bunching up on the course.

If your ball is lost, unplayable, or in a penalty area, don't take an option under the rules that involves doubling back on your position.

Do not pick up another player's equipment or ball.

Do not use on-course ball cleaners, bins or benches.

Rakes will have been removed from bunkers. Smooth the sand using a club and your feet.

Take specific care to maintain social distancing when on the putting green.

The cups have been lined to restrict the ball from dropping too far and the flagstick is not to be removed or touched at any time.

After your round, remember the social distancing.

You are responsible for your own safety. Please take this responsibility seriously.

These procedures are subject to change as the advice and/or regulations are altered.

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