

GUIDANCE FOR GOLF COURSE OPERATORS

Overview

This document has been developed to support golf courses in reducing the risk of transmission of COVID-19 among golfers, workers and volunteers. An operator of a golf course should also refer to and follow the Workplace Guidance for Business Owners, as published at alberta.ca/COVID19.

COVID-19 Risk Mitigation

SECTOR	MITIGATION
Clubhouse and Maintenance	<p>Equipment rental:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power cart rentals must be used by one individual only, unless being shared by members of the same household. • Power and pull carts must be cleaned and disinfected after each use.
	<p>Booking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It is strongly encouraged that tee-times be booked and paid for via online means as a means to ensure capacity control.
Golf Play	<p>The number of golfers, workers and volunteers on the golf course at any one time should be limited to ensure physical distancing is maintained.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Golfers should arrive at the golf course no earlier than 15 minutes before their tee time. • After play, golfers should go directly to their carts and park them in designated areas. • Ensure the facility has proper protocols in place in the event of lightning and frost delays so that there are no contraventions of physical distancing requirements.
	<p>Limit opportunities for surfaces to be touched by golfers including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • remove rakes from sand traps • institute a “pin stays in” rule • remove ball washing stands at tees • remove water stations • eliminate self-service to pencils and scorecards • remove or block off benches <p>Remove sharable items from golf courses and power carts (e.g., sand containers, coolers)</p>
Workplace	<p>Consider assigning a greeter or marshal to inform all golfers, workers and volunteers to follow all COVID-19 measures.</p> <p>In addition to the cleaning and disinfecting guidance found in the Workplace Guidance for Business Owners:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure HVAC system filters are changed frequently. Schedule frequent cleaning of the HVAC system. • Institute a log of daily cleaning, including an inventory of gloves, masks and supplies. • Regularly clean and disinfect any surfaces and equipment touched by golfers, workers and volunteers. <p>If portable restrooms are used, they should include hand sanitizer or hand washing stations with soap, paper towel and foot-activated devices adjacent to the units.</p>