

Rules and Guidelines with effect from 17th October 2020

We continue to display our QR Code for the NHS Test and Trace Service and we strongly recommend that you download the free NHS COVID-19 App to enable you to 'check-in' at our venue when you arrive. The app tracks the spread of the virus but does not track people. It provides important alert features to help you manage risk and allow you to take appropriate action.

ALL visitors and staff must wear a face covering in the Clubhouse. All offices are out of use for non-members of staff. Please ask at the Bar or Pro Shop if you wish to see a member of office staff.

All Society groups will be temperature tested before entering the Clubhouse and members will be randomly checked.

From the morning of Saturday, 17th October 2020 food and beverage will be mainly takeaway, although those from the same household can still sit inside to enjoy beverages and snacks. The Rule of 6 is no longer applicable inside but you are still able to meet in groups of 6 outside as long as social distancing is adhered to. We will do our best to change the offering of food that is available. Please help us to make it possible to enjoy the outside seating areas safely by following the social distancing rules.

Tee Times

- The online tee book will be open to Members and Visitors who will be able to book in advance
- Names of all players together with contact details are to be entered when booking tee times
- The tee sheets will be available for booking from 8:00am (7:30am at weekends) until 1½ hours before sunset
- Please do not tee off before your tee time
- General play will be from the yellow and red tees. White tees are for competition use only
- Tee times will be continually monitored to ensure all golfers arrive for their booked tee times
- Members and visitors are asked **not to arrive at the club more than 20 minutes before their tee time** because rules restrict congregation in the clubhouse

Arriving at the Club and Checking In

- Golfers must register in the Pro Shop (or Spike Bar from 1st November 2020)
- Golfers must arrive at the club and register before their tee time and, upon leaving their car, must adhere to social distancing guidelines at all times
- Please **enter** the Clubhouse using the Green Door at the top of the steps by the changing rooms. Face masks must be worn. Toilet facilities only will be available, no changing room. Please **leave** via the spike bar door where you can pick up takeaway items and golfing essentials from the bar.
- Our Spike Bar is now used for takeaway items only – table service will be in Alfie's Bar and only for groups consisting of members from the same household or social bubble. Individuals can still be served at the table. There will be no table service in the Spike Bar. Our patio area will continue to run a 'rest and stop off' area for takeaway refreshments purchased at the club. Social distancing must be adhered to at all times.
- There will be social distancing markings on the ground from the entrance and around the clubhouse for members who are wanting to use the clubhouse facilities, or to check in

- Anti-bacterial hand gel will be available near the entrance – we encourage members and visitors to use it
- Scorecards are available, although other methods of scoring are also offered

Practice Facilities

- The practice nets and putting greens will be open and if golfers wish to practice their putting before they play, please observe social distancing and be fair with time management
- The putting green holes have an insert so that the ball is not allowed to drop into the hole
- If the Pro has a lesson, the putting green will be split so half will be available for the public and half for the lesson

On the Course

Prior to the lockdown we had already made some changes on the golf course to limit the amount of non-essential contact. All Golfers to continue with the following:

- Players should remain a minimum of 2 metres away from each other
- The flagstick is always to remain in the hole and golfers **must not** touch the flagstick under any circumstances
- The pin has been adapted to retrieve the ball from the hole with the club
- All rakes have been removed from the bunkers and some bunkers are GUR clearly marked in blue
- All ball cleaners have been removed from the course

Competitions

These rules must be followed when playing golf competitions at Colne Valley Golf Club:

- Players must write their own details on their score card. Do not pass your card to a marker. Players must record their own scores but take note of others. Scores should be checked regularly and agreed after each hole. After play enter your own card on the score entry screen in the clubhouse
- All bunkers in play are played as preferred lies with 6" movement no closer to the hole

After Your Round

- Anti-bacterial hand gel will be available for golfers – we encourage members and visitors to use it
- The shoe cleaner will continue to be out of action until further notice, but please do not leave your shoe dirt residue by your car for others to clear
- Takeaway service is encouraged for all beverage and food requirements
- The car park gate will be closed at 4:00pm daily. Please ask for the code as you check in. Security is of utmost importance and the gate will be closed periodically during the day should it deem necessary. Please be aware that we have CCTV in operation.

Colne Valley Golf Club Staff are tasked with ensuring these guidelines are followed by ALL members and visitors to the club. Please follow and respect any instructions given. Any form of abuse directed towards any member of staff will result in your membership and/or playing rights being revoked.