

COMOX GOLF CLUB COVID- 19 Safety Plan

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The Comox Golf Club COVID-19 Safety Plan have been updated in response to the BC provincial health officer order issued on November 07, 2020 and updated on February 08, 2021.

<https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/emergency-preparedness-response-recovery/covid-19-provincial-support/restrictions>

Under the direction and guidance of WorksafeBC and their most recent inspection of the Comox Golf Club COVID-19 Safety Plan, the following are the policies, guidelines and procedures that are on place to help reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

Masks are mandatory when entering all Comox Golf Club buildings, complexes and common areas. Social distancing protocol must be followed at all times.

The Pro Shop is open with the COVID-19 Safety Plan and employee protocols in place. Access is also limited to two people only, at any one time.

The clubhouse/restaurant continues to operate with the COVID-19 Safety Plan and employee protocols in place. Masks are mandatory and must be worn at all times when not seated at a table.

When booking tee times, each group must have a Group Captain who will be responsible for booking the group. Captains will also be responsible for attesting to personal knowledge that each member of the group has adhered to social distancing policies, course protocols and core bubble restrictions.

Please arrive at the golf course 15 minutes prior to your booked tee time.

If you have any signs or symptoms of illness, STAY HOME!! If you have been advised to “self-isolate“ it means STAY HOME!! Home is not the golf course!

The golf course is open to members, punch card holders and green fee players.

The Pro Shop, driving range, practice areas and clubhouse/restaurant building are open daily at posted times.

Clubhouse and golf course washrooms remain open and will be sanitized regularly. Please limit access to one person in any washroom, at any one time.

The locker rooms will remain open; however, it is recommended to travel with your equipment in your vehicle, to avoid congestion in the locker room. Social distancing protocol must be followed in the locker room.

There are no golf club rentals, however power and pushcart rentals are available.

Please use credit and/or debit cards wherever possible for your purchase and rental transactions.

Tee times for the foreseeable future, will be made by telephone only. 250-339-4444. Please be patient as this is a new policy for everybody and the pro shop staff will be busy, both answering phones and running the first tee. Requests for tee times will not be taken from telephone messages. If the line is busy, please phone back. The pro shop starts taking tee time requests at the posted times. Please, NO EARLIER, NO EXCEPTIONS, NO LEAVING MESSAGES.

Tee times will be 10-minute intervals throughout the day.

If you will be requesting a power cart, it must be reserved at the time of booking your tee time; it will be ready for you upon your arrival.

Members and their guests can book tee times 4 days in advance, punch card holders and their guests 2 days in advance and green fee players can book the day of their golf round.

No walk on(s) allowed, all golfers must have a tee time booked in advance in order to play.

Please bring and use your own alcohol-based hand sanitizer (65% or higher) to assist with the sanitizing efforts.

To maintain a smooth flow during entry and exit of the club house and Pro Shop area, golfers are to enter through the gate on the right-hand side of the building. Exit will be through the breezeway.

The entry to the locker room at the front of the building will be disabled, with all golfers entering and exiting the locker rooms and washrooms using the ramp at the back of the club house. The door will be propped open to avoid touching. There should be little to no congestion if golfers do not show up early for their tee time. Punctuality is extremely important!!

Avoid congregating in groups and maintain "physical distance" of 2 m from each other at all times. Do not loiter around the cart shed, clubhouse, first tee or the practice green.

Tee boxes and greens are personal distance danger zones. For reference, if you extend your arm holding the driver, swing the club and hit Bob, he's in your space; that's 2 m or 6.5 feet; on the green, if you extend your arm holding the putter, that's 5 feet, and if you don't hit Bob you are probably OK.

Do NOT pick up and use any tees that are not your own!! Please discard your broken tees if you don't want to reuse it, whenever possible. Do not share golf clubs or any other golf equipment.

Maintain proper cough and sneeze etiquette.

Avoid shaking hands, hugs, high fives, etc.; wash your hands and/or use sanitizer frequently.

All sand bottles, rakes, ball washers and the air hose have been removed So don't touch them!

If you choose to play from the bunkers, please use your feet and club to smooth the sand.

Do not touch the flagstick! Hole cups have been elevated to 1 inch below the green, making it very easy to remove the ball without touching the flagstick.

Power cart ride sharing will be allowed for 2 people provided both people are comfortable doing so.

“Playing through” the group ahead is now permissible. Pace of play is crucial. Maintaining the proper pace of play while keeping up to the group in front of yours is the best practise in most cases.

Thorough sanitation of power carts and touch points will happen during our daily operations and we expect cart users to participate in the sanitizing process.

The rules, especially personal distancing, will be strictly enforced; and sadly, you might be asked to leave... And STAY HOME!

Sanitize your hands before touching doors, locks and other common touch points. It is a good idea to carry a small bottle of sanitizer at all times.

Following your round, please visit our restaurant and when leaving, please proceed directly to your vehicle, exit the property and avoid gatherings.

Masks and physical distancing are the most effective tools in the box!

JUST DO IT!!

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Comox Golf Club