



## (COVID-19) - GUIDE TO PHASE 2 GOLF AT EDZELL GOLF CLUB

***The health and wellbeing of our dedicated staff and all golfers remain our number one priority. This practical guide has been introduced to safeguard our members and staff during the Covid-19 pandemic. It is nevertheless your responsibility to ensure your own safety while at the Club.***

### **COURSE ACCESS**

- Tee times will be available from 7.30 am daily.
- Tee times must be booked in advance.
- Groups of up to three golfers with up to three households represented provided they adhere to the Government's physical distancing rules.
- If within the highest risk (shielding) group, then you can only play with up to one other household.
- Play may only commence from the 1st tee on each course.
- If playing when there is no starter on duty, it is your personal responsibility to adhere to all social distancing requirements.
- Members' guests are welcome on both courses.
- Limited access will be available to visitors, subject to availability.

To access facilities at Edzell Golf Club, a player must:

- Not be displaying COVID-19 symptoms.
- Adhere to Government guidelines on travel.
- Have a pre-reserved tee time. Under no circumstances should a player arrive at either course without booking in advance.

**Players/members should ensure that up to date telephone numbers are on the database to enable contact tracing if required.**



### **BOOKING & ARRIVAL**

- Tee bookings on both courses **must** be made in advance of arrival (via website, app or by telephone to the professional shop/starter).

Golfers should:

- Travel to the club alone, or with a member of the same household.
- Arrive at the course no more than 15 minutes prior to reserved tee times.
- Change their shoes in the car park while observing social distancing measures.

### **CHECK-IN & PRO SHOP**

- Golfers should check-in at the Pro Shop or with the Starter at the West Water Course.
- Golfers should observe social distancing measures as requested at both sites.
- Card payment or account sales only - no cash will be accepted.
- Buggies (for single use only, except for members of the same household) and trolleys will be disinfected prior to rental.
- Club Loyalty Cards should be topped up using the CLUB V1 app.

### **CLUBHOUSE FACILITIES**

- All clubhouse facilities, including toilets, will remain closed until further notice.
- Please use toilet facilities at home before you leave.
- The locker rooms and trolley sheds **will not** be in use and a one off appointment should be made for members who need to retrieve equipment in advance of playing.

### **PRACTICE FACILITIES**

- The putting greens are open, limited to 3 players, with holes filled in, own tee pegs can be used as targets.
- The driving range will be open daily.
- Players should use the cleaning station to clean the basket prior to use.



- Bays will remain closed, but mats on the grass tee area will be available and must be used.
- A one way system will be in operation through the range – players should enter the range from the car park, collect their balls, then continue to the outside area as directed.

### **TO THE FIRST TEE**

- Golfers will initially be restricted to single/2-player/3-player groupings. Starting times must be strictly observed.
- Do not arrive at the first tee more than 5 minutes before your allotted tee time.
- Any member(s) not following directions will be asked to leave the course and will be reported to the Club Committee.

### **ON THE COURSE**

- Physical distancing must be observed throughout, particularly on tees and greens.
- Players must only touch their own golf ball and equipment.
- Players must putt with the flag stick in the hole.
- Hole cups have been adapted, for contact-free ball retrieval.
- Bunker rakes are removed - players to smooth sand with feet prior to shot and preferred lies may be utilised.
- Following play of a hole, do not enter the next teeing area until the group in front have exited this area.
- Ball washers, bins and course furniture have been removed.
- The on-course toilet on the 18 hole course will be available for emergency use only. Players must clean surfaces before and after use.
- Water fountains will not be turned on.
- Players should not double back to play again if a ball is lost, unplayable, or in a penalty area.
- Players must refrain from handshakes or high fives on conclusion of a round.



### **CLUB COMPETITIONS RULES & PROCEDURES**

- Club competitions will recommence from Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June for gentlemen and Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> July for the lady members.
- Amended fixture lists are available on the Club Website.
- Knockout competitions are open for entries until 25<sup>th</sup> June.
- Entries for gents' competitions should be made through BRS online bookings with the tee sheet open for bookings 8 days in advance from 6.00 pm.
- Ladies can enter competitions via the Club V1 app or by calling the office prior to the weekly draw being made.
- All players should register in the professional shop prior to play.
- On a temporary basis, players should **NOT EXCHANGE SCORECARDS**. A player should collect a scorecard and add the name of one of their playing partners, the date and competition name, then complete that scorecard. The card only requires to be signed by the marker, but verbal certification **MUST** take place. This is to ensure only one person handles the score cards.
- PSI Terminal – will NOT be in use. Cards should be returned into the box inside the clubhouse door.
- Should no card be returned then a No Return will be recorded.
- A temporary Local Rule has been introduced allowing preferred lies in bunkers and provide that a player may place a ball in the bunker within one club-length of the original spot and not nearer to the hole than that spot.
- Players are always required to leave the flagstick in the hole and not to touch it.
- Cards for handicap and supplementary score cards should be marked and returned as above.
- There may be a delay in the Competition Results being posted of up to 48 hours.



### **GETTING HOME SAFELY**

- The shoe cleaner will remain disabled.
- Post-round, players should refrain from casual groupings and return to their cars.
- Players must call or e-mail the Golf Club with any post-round health issues or COVID-19 related queries, at the earliest possible opportunity.