



## Millers Barn Golf Park practical guide alongside COVID-19

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## **General Information**

This guide has been prepared by the owner and our Assistant Professional, and in consultation with various Golfing Governing Bodies, to be adopted from the ease of COVID-19 restrictions

The robust measures within this guide are designed to help safeguard our staff, our members, any guests and visitors to our Club during this COVID-19 pandemic.

The measures and procedures within this guide will be under constant review, updated as advice from government, health authorities and Golf's governing bodies evolves, in line with what we believe will be a gradual lifting and easing of social restrictions.

This guide allows us to have a proper framework and the necessary infrastructure in place, to allow us to do so in an organised and responsible manner and to make it as safe as we possible.

Members and visitors must expect to follow the requirements on social distancing and understand that there will have to be several adaptations to our usual playing etiquette. We know that many members may not like some of the measure that we have been forced to introduce, but we ask you to accept that these have all been done with the safety and welfare of our Members and Staff, foremost in our minds.

Please always accept and adhere to these rules.

Best wishes and enjoy your golf!

Penny Smith

9<sup>th</sup> March 2021

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## Booking Procedure

2.1 - In order to comply with strict social distancing rules and to avoid group gatherings, the Club will have to operate with a strict Tee Time Booking System. All members and visitors must pre-book required tee times by telephoning the shop on 01255 424826 OR book on-line via the BRS App.

If you book you MUST play.

If you do not book – YOU WILL be turned away.

If you cannot play you MUST ring the shop to cancel, so that your tee slot can be offered to another member or visitor.

2.2 - Booking slots will be available at 8-minute intervals from 6:30am to 7:00pm daily until further notice.

2.3 - Play will be allowed in 4-balls maximum in accordance with official recommendations. Club competitions have now been introduced, please speak to a member of staff for more details.

2.4 - One player will be allowed to book for up to 3 other named players within the same time slot. Single bookings are likely to be made up to 2balls by the shop in order to maximise numbers able to play

2.5 - We do expect to be extremely busy and the Club anticipates that large numbers of members will be eager to get back on the course and particularly at the usual peak times.

2.6 – Please pay via the shop window until the 12<sup>th</sup> April – Toilet facilities remain open

**IN ORDER TO FULLY COMPLY WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING MEASURES: PLEASE, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES JUST TURN UP AT THE CLUB AND EXPECT TO BE ABLE TO PLAY – YOU MUST ALWAYS BOOK FIRST**

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## **Arrival at the Club and Course Access**

3.1 - Arrive at the Course no earlier than 20 minutes before your tee time. Park your car and observe social distancing rules.

3.2 - Resist the temptation to mingle.

3.3 - Arrange your golfing attire and change shoes at your car.

3.4 - Stay with your vehicle until 10 minutes before your tee time.

3.5 - You MUST report straight to the shop window to check-in.

3.6 - DO NOT attempt to go straight to the 1st TEE .

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## **Check-in and Pro-Shop Protocol**

4.1 - Mandatory check-in at the Pro-Shop window for ALL golfers

4.2 - Social distancing queuing markers will be in place inside and outside the shop

4.3 - A maximum of only 2 golfers at a time will be permitted inside the shop

4.4 - Golfing items & take-away snacks and drinks will be on sale

4.5 - Sanitised trollies will be available for hire – single person use ONLY

4.6 – The driving range is now open and will not require booking.

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## To the First Tee

5.1 - Arrive at the 1st tee no earlier than 5 minutes prior to your tee time

5.2 - Groups will be restricted to 4-balls

5.3 - **PLEASE OBEY STRICT SOCIAL DISTANCING RULES FROM THE 1st TEE AND THROUGHOUT THE REST OF YOUR ROUND**

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## The Barn and Dawns cabin

6.1 - Toilets/Washroom facilities will be available within the barn.

6.2 - Paper towels and soap will be available

6.3 - Toilets will be cleaned and sanitised regularly

6.4 - Members are asked to respect social distancing rules by not mingling or gathering within the barn.

6.6 - Dawns cabin will be open at certain times for the usual drinks & snacks Take-Away service. Please avoid congregating in groups at this station.

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## **On the Course during your round**

7.1 - Observe social distancing measures on the tee and green on every hole.

7.2 - After teeing off and walking on, or whilst searching for lost balls, remember to keep 2 metres apart.

7.3 - DO NOT pick-up or touch stray balls.

7.4 - There will be NO rakes in bunkers, players get a free drop out of the bunker.

7.5 - On the putting greens players are reminded to keep 2 metres apart. DO NOT touch the flagsticks. Flagsticks must always remain in the hole. Shallow or inverted hole cups will be in place for contact-free ball retrieval.

7.6 - Once a hole is completed, the group in front must have exited the tee box before players can progress to the next hole.

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

7.8 - Ball washers will not be in use or will be covered over.

7.9 - Avoid using and exchanging scorecards with other players.

7.10 - At the end of your round do not shake hands, touch or embrace other players.

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## **After your round**

8.1 - Remember, after your round, that social distancing is just as important as it is during the round.

8.2 - Hands may be washed and sanitised in the available toilets.

8.3 - Post-round, players must return straight to their vehicles and leave the course facility so that there are no gatherings around the barn.