

AFTER PLAY

- Instead of shaking hands: tip your cap, bow, wave, thumbs up, bow, etc.
- Maintain social distance at all times. Remember, we're flattening the curve.
- Exiting the facility: place your face covering on before you exit the last green and wash or sanitize your hands.
- After dropping off the golf car, walk directly to your car. Once you reach your car, load up your gear, and get in. You may remove your face covering at this time, obey local governance.*
- Support: reflect on your time out on the golf course. Share your gratitude for your partners and round by posting on social media, or heckling your playing friend(s) within a group text.
- Support our community by tagging our movement:

#flattenthecurve

#walkthewalk

#greenergolf

#greaterthangolf

SAFE GOLFER'S PLEDGE

I, _____, pledge to follow the recommendations set forth in the Golf Guidelines. I understand that as a golfer, my actions are visible to the surrounding community and therefore any incidence of not following these guidelines could negatively impact the health of my community and affect my ability to play golf in the future. I value the opportunity to act as an honorable representative of our great game so that golfers around the country will maintain the privilege of being able to play golf.

WALK THE WALK

Safety must be the primary objective during this global crisis. Golf Guidelines serve to benefit all golfers, workers, and members of the community. These guidelines define and communicate an optimal action plan to maximize and ensure safety on golf courses. The golf industry must lead in the return to normality by engaging public stakeholders. In doing so, courses will be seen as valuable assets when the entire community benefits from their reopening. Golf, as an industry, will unite the community with a clear mission in a time of crisis. Together, we can bridge the gap in optics between golfers and non-golfers by taking action.

~ We are all in this together. ~

GOLF GUIDELINES

GOLF'S ROADMAP TO NORMALITY



HOW GOLF CAN BE SAFE AND HELP FLATTEN THE CURVE

“The most important shot in golf is the next one.”

- Ben Hogan

GOLF'S ROADMAP TO NORMALITY

“CAR TO CAR”

- Face Covering: golfers should wear a face covering, as defined by the CDC*, between entering and exiting the golf course to adhere to CDC protocol. Depending on local laws, face masks, coverings, or gloves may be recommended or required.
- Use hand sanitizer or properly wash your hands before and after your round. See the EPA's list for approved sanitizers effective against COVID-19 and the CDC's hand-washing procedure.
- Groups may be restricted to 2 players at this time.
- Ball washers, water stations, tee markers, garbage bins, benches, and tables are marked off limits or removed.
- Follow these recommendations during your round.
- Depart facility immediately after their round is complete.

Remember: Golf Guidelines are here to keep us safe and preserve our privilege to play golf.

PREPARE

- Embrace that golf is going to be different while social distancing.
- Check if the kitchen is open for takeout before heading to the course. Bring water and snacks with you.
- Assume no water will be available.
- Wet a towel at this time. There will not be ball washers on the course.
- Book your tee time and pay green fees online or by phone.
- Plan ahead: allow yourself enough time to be prepared and be on time.
- Pack hand sanitizer or sanitizing wipes.
- Stretch and warm up before you leave home.
- Go directly to the first tee upon arrival.
- Now you're set, head to the course!

Pledge to be a safe golfer.



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ARRIVAL

- Park and put your face covering on. Recall that strict social distancing guidelines are in place for our safety.
- Gather your gear and head to the starter. The starter will remind you of current rules in place, then point you to either the first tee or golf car that has been sanitized for you. If you take a golf car, it is a good idea to wipe it down first with sanitizing wipes (your own or provided).
- If you forgot to wet your towel, check with the starter for details on how to safely wet your towel.
- Go to the first tee. You are free to take off your face covering once you are on the tee your area permits it.
- Remember to practice proper social distancing standards for the round. Cover your cough or sneeze properly, with your sleeve, and sanitize regularly. Obey pack-in-pack-out procedures for garbage.

“In the midst of every crisis, lies great opportunity.”

- Albert Einstein



PLAY

- If you see a tee, let it be: Do not touch tees left from prior players.
- Maintain social distance: between player(s) at all times (6 ft+); Practice continuous putting.
- Tee markers: if unmarked, flip a tee or the winner of the last hole picks.
- Bunkers: it is acceptable to either (a) play it as it lies; (b) replace the ball from a disturbed lie, or; (c) take free relief outside the bunker, no closer to the hole. Smooth footprints with your feet, to the best of your ability.
- Markers: Don't remove or touch markers in or out of play. If a marker is going to interfere with your play, take a free drop at the nearest point of relief, no closer to the hole.
- Play ready golf: we're all happy to be out here, don't take it too seriously.
- Be grateful: Maintenance staff hours and labor may be restricted during this crisis; play the ball as it lies but if you feel like you have been dealt an unfair situation, make it right and play on.
- Score: Keep it, or don't. We recommend keeping score digitally.