**Phase 1 – Casual Golf**:

**Course Access**:

For the period May 18th to June 7th access to the courses is limited to our staff and club members only.

To access the course, a player must:

1. Be a member of the club
2. Not have been out of the country within the previous 14 days
3. Not have a cold or any Covid 19 symptoms.
4. Make themselves aware of the current HSE National Covid Regulations on the day they play. It is very important that our Staff & Members take personal responsibility for these regulations.
5. Not be in self-isolation
6. Have a pre-reserved tee time

Please note that Course Opening and Closing Times will be advised to all Members.

The Entrances from the Main Road and the Driving Range will only be opened 20/30 minutes prior to 1st Tee time.

The Closing Times of the Entrances will also be advised to all Members.

**Booking & Arrival:**

1. Booking a tee time in advance is **compulsory** for Casual Golf, please use our BRS System.
2. From May 18th to June 28th inclusive only three players at maximum may play together.
3. During Phase1 from May 18th to June 7th inclusive players should only play three times per week at maximum and only once at the weekend – this is to ensure every member has an opportunity to get a game.
4. Play without a BRS booking cannot be permitted.
5. The Club is required to retain copies of Time Sheets for six weeks to facilitate contact tracing.
6. All golfers should be aware of our procedures prior to their visit.
7. Golf equipment should be washed before a player leaves home
8. Golfers should travel to the club alone, or with a member of the same household
9. Ample car parking spaces are available to ensure social distancing
10. Initially we plan to use our car park only for the midweek period and we will allow access from the Driving Range car park on Saturday, Sunday and Bank Holidays.
11. Arrive at the course no more than 20 minutes prior to reserved tee time
12. Observe social distancing always and resist the temptation to mingle.
13. Arrange golf attire and change footwear at the car
14. A ‘Social Distancing Marshal’ will patrol the car park, first tee, practice green & the course to ensure player adherence to protocol and help avoid group gatherings.
15. Please respect our Marshal as he/she is only trying to look after the best interests of you and the club.

**Clubhouse Facilities**:

1. Clubhouse entrance is limited to the Main Door for toilet access and you must exit the Clubhouse through the Locker Room.
2. Toilets will have open entrance doors and are cleaned regularly
3. Please use the disposable paper towels provided
4. The defibrillator will remain in the clubhouse corridor, immediately past the Computer Room.
5. Locker rooms should only be used as an Exit Station and by those few Members who have to leave their clubs in a locker. Those members are asked to sanitise their Locker Door after use with sanitising product provided by the club. Please dispose in the bin provided.
6. The Restaurant, Bar and Snooker Room will be locked.
7. Sanitised trollies and buggies are available for hire, single person use only, unless shared by members of the same household to current Covid 19 guidelines.
8. Players to arrive in golf attire and change shoes at the car.

**To the First Tee**

1. The Entrance Gate to the 1st Teeing Area will be opened by Course Staff only.
2. Groups restricted to 3-balls at published time intervals, in accordance with the Protocol document received from the GUI / ILGU.
3. Play is restricted to 18 holes per player per day at maximum, initially members are limited to three rounds per week.
4. The Putting green will not be available for use during Phase 1.
5. Arrive at the 1st tee no more than 5 minutes prior to the reserved tee time and observe the Social Distance Markers
6. Players may ONLY commence their game from the 1st Tee unless the Committee say otherwise.
7. A ‘Social Distancing Marshal’ will patrol the car park and first tee to ensure player adherence to protocol and help avoid group gatherings
8. Social spacing signage identifies the 1st tee waiting areas
9. Any player(s) not following protocol will be asked to leave the course in the best interests of the health of our members & staff.
10. Tee off times strictly observed to ensure group spacing
11. Divot bags removed from circulation
12. Caddies are not allowed on the course.

**On the Course**:

1. Physical distancing observed throughout, particularly on tees and greens
2. A ‘Social Distancing Marshal’ will patrol the course to ensure player adherence to protocol.
3. Social spacing signage identifies waiting areas on Par 3 tee box approaches, on all other holes please maintain social distance
4. Please respect the course by replacing your Divot and repairing your Pitch Marks.
5. Rubbish bins and divot bins all removed – please dispose of the rubbish at home.
6. Ball washers removed or covered over
7. The on- course toilets will not be in use, nor will the water tap nearby.
8. Bunker rakes removed, players to smooth sand with feet after their shot
9. During the play of Casual Golf Flagsticks are to remain in the hole and must not be touched
10. Hole cups inverted for simple, contact-free ball retrieval during the play of casual golf.
11. Once a hole is completed, the group in front must have exited the tee box before players can progress to the next tee
12. When you play from a tee and if there is any doubt about your ball please play a Provisional as we do not want players returning to the Tee.
13. Food, and drink must not be exchanged between players
14. Players must not pick up another player’s equipment or golf ball
15. If you find a ball on the course please leave it behind you.
16. Players must refrain from handshakes and high fives
17. Players must bring their own hand sanitising products with them and use it regularly please.
18. Please check the Notices regarding the time you must exit the course to ensure you can leave the car park prior to locking up time.

**The G.O.M.S & Golden Girls**:

1. Wednesday will continue to be their day and they too must book their times on our BRS System.
2. *Draws for play will be discontinued during the pandemic.*
3. Seniors playing golf must adhere to the general regulations and they should only arrive within 20 minutes of their Tee Time and leave the Course / Club immediately upon completion of their round.
4. The BRS Booking sheet will be blocked off for 1 hour before our seniors commence their round and it will also be blocked off for 1 hour after the last seniors commence their round.
5. Players must only commence their round from the 1st tee.

**Junior Golf (Under 18’s)**:

1. Casual Golf for Juniors and Cubs is not allowed unless there is at least one adult in the group (remember no more than 3 players per group). That adult may or may not be playing golf.
2. This non-playing adult can be a parent / guardian of one of the two juniors.
3. It is preferable that the junior golfer plays casual golf with members of the same household for the period May 18th to June 28th.
4. Juniors should remove their clubs from Clubhouse Lockers and ensure they are taken to and from the club each day by a parent / guardian or adult sibling.
5. Juniors playing Casual Golf must adhere to the general regulations and they should only arrive within 20 minutes of their Tee Time and leave the Course / Club immediately upon completion of your round.
6. Play is restricted to 18 holes per player per day at maximum and remember you Must leave the Club when you complete your round.
7. Play is also restricted to 3 rounds per week to ensure all members have an opportunity to play the course.

**After your Game:**

1. Post-round, we recommend that players return straight to their cars
2. Please remember that otherwise you must respect the Social Distance guidelines.
3. Restaurant and bar will remain closed
4. Lockers Must only be accessed by those players without access to a car and only they should access it.
5. Hands may be washed and sanitised in the toilets
6. Ensure clubs and equipment are cleaned thoroughly after use when you return home.
7. Players must call or email the golf club with any post-round health issues or COVID-19 related queries, at the earliest possible opportunity

**Protect our Staff**:

1. Kathleen will be working in the Office from 9.15am to 5pm on all weekdays, except Thursday.
2. Please only call to her if necessary, to pay a subscription or assist with a booking for example.
3. The Office door may be open but please do not pass the Barrier Table
4. Audrone will not be working at the club until competition play returns, however items from the shop may be collected if you pre-advise and prepay Kathleen
5. Gavin and his team may be on the course when you play, we ask that you allow them to carry on their excellent work without interruption.
6. Staff provided with PPE masks, and gloves to wear on-site
7. Staff comprehensively trained in importance of hand hygiene and cough etiquette
8. All work areas and contact points will be cleaned and sanitised regularly