



CITY OF COSTA MESA

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FROM THE OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER AND EMERGENCY SERVICES DIRECTOR

GOLF COURSE REOPENING PLAN

Effective immediately and continuing until further notice, the following will be in effect in the City of Costa Mesa:

Commercial Golf operations should remain closed (club house, club rentals, food service, pro shops, etc.) and there should be no transacting of business. However, management may be inclined to review industry best practices for implementation that will allow for limited recreational access only on the golf course to remain in compliance with the Governor's Executive Order. Identified health and safety standards to protect golfers include, but are not limited to the following:

- Guidelines are applicable to both private and public golf courses within the geographic boundaries of the City of Costa Mesa.
- Courses should be walking only, with strict adherence to social distancing and enforcement by the Operator and/or local law enforcement, if needed.
- All "touch points" should be eliminated to avoid contamination. This should include all touch points associated with the recreational aspect of golf. Remove all flag sticks and sand bunker rakes, scorecards and close all self service areas and any location where strict adherence to social distancing cannot be enforced. Cups are to be inverted on the greens for safe putting and ball removal. Ball washers are to be covered and not in use at this time.
- If restrooms are open, they shall be disinfected and cleaned on an hourly basis.
- Golfers are to provide their own clubs, carts, towels, coolers, sand bottles, tees, scorecards, pencils, ball markers and divot tools.
- Capacity must be limited to ensure appropriate implementation of social distancing standards of six feet. Tee times should be spaced sufficiently to ensure social distancing.
- Play shall be limited to foursomes (no non-golfing visitors) that will be required to observe social distancing (six feet separation between players at all times).
- No caddies are allowed.
- No large gatherings, including fundraisers or tournaments, will be permitted.
- Face coverings, such as scarves, bandanas and neck gaiters, shall be worn by players at tee boxes and on greens.
- All workers shall wear face coverings and gloves at all times.
- There shall be no food/beverage services provided by the golf course. Golfers will provide their own food and beverages. No in-person dining or bar service will be allowed at clubhouses.
- There is no restriction on maintenance or landscaping, as long as social distancing efforts are followed and enforced.
- All amenities within the golf club/course, such as gym, fitness center, beauty salon, or spa, etc., shall remain closed.
- Follow CDC "Cleaning and Disinfecting Your Facility" guidelines when implementing operating procedures.
- Adhere to the PGA Golf Course Best Practices for Operations, and Teaching and Coaching.
- Golf operating procedures shall be established outlining compliance with this order and must be submitted prior to opening and approved within 72 hours of opening.
- A waiver form must be signed by every player prior to the initiation of play.

**Costa Mesa Country Club
Reopening Guidelines
Effective April 29, 2020**

The rules and guidelines below are hereby effective immediately, and are subject to change without prior notice. Based on current information and clinical health expertise, individuals over the age of 65 and any individuals of any age with underlying health conditions are recommended to use extreme caution before deciding to participate in any outdoor activity and/or close proximity to others during the COVID-19 global pandemic.

General Guidelines:

- Golf course is open to players only. No visitors are allowed. No individuals exhibiting flu-like symptoms will be permitted to play.
- Walking only allowed on the course.
- No golf carts or pull carts will be available for rent. Players must bring their own clubs and may bring their own pull carts. Players shall handle their own clubs and equipment.
- Driving range and practice putting greens will remain closed.
- The clubhouse, pro shop, restaurant, bar and bag room will remain closed.
- All tee times will be made online at costamesacountryclub.com or by phone only.
- Groups are limited to four (4) players per starting time.
- Stanchions and other delineators will be used to enforce proper social distancing upon check-in.
- All employees will be required to wear face coverings and gloves at all times.
- Employees will be stationed near tee boxes and throughout the property enforcing all social distancing guidelines.
- Exterior restrooms will remain open and will be sanitized throughout the day, at least hourly.
- Sand bottles, scorecards, and pencils will not be available at this time.
- Rakes will be removed from the course.
- Ball washers, drinking fountains and other common touch point locations will be covered to prevent use. Do not touch tee markers.
- The flagsticks and cups will be modified to prevent the ball from being holed. Do not touch the flagsticks.
- All senior group events and tournaments have been cancelled until further notice.

Players Guidelines:

- All players must sign a waiver which can be found at costamesacountryclub.com. Players must print, sign, scan (or take picture) of signed document and email to kwilson@costamesacountryclub.com or hand in at parking lot check-in the first day of play.
- All players must have a confirmed tee time on the schedule.
 - Tee times will be verified by staff upon entry to the parking lot.
- All tee times must be paid online or through our touch free self-service onsite credit card terminal.
No cash payments are allowed.

- Tee times shall be scheduled at least 10 minutes apart to ensure social distancing on the course and in other areas.
- Players are asked to abide by their starting time and should arrive no more than 15 minutes before their scheduled starting time.
- All players will be required to wear face coverings while checking in, at tee boxes, and on the greens.
- All players must check in using the exterior check in window following strict social distancing guidelines (pro shop will remain closed).
- No food or beverage service will be allowed. All players should provide their own food and beverage for individual consumption.
- There is no gathering before or after your round of golf. Please proceed directly to your car and leave the property immediately following your round of golf.
- Always maintain the social distance of six feet over the entire property, including the parking lot, putting green and all tee boxes.

Staff will be monitoring and enforcing the above guidelines. Failure to adhere to the guidelines will result in removal from the property to help ensure the protection of other players.

This pandemic is a fluid situation and developments evolve quickly. The health and safety of our guests, staff, and community is our top priority. Our team will continue to follow the recommendations from local, state, and national health and government organizations as they become available.