Note these guidelines are a compilation of many clubs’ best practices. These are the minimum requirements that must be enforced; Clubs are able to enforce policies that are more stringent if they feel they are necessary to ensure the health and safety of persons using their facilities.

**Clubs are responsible for ensuring compliance of their individuals utilizing their facilities.**

**Facilities**

1. All clubhouse and indoor facilities are and shall remain closed, including, but not limited to the Pro Shop, Bar, and Restaurants.
2. Driving ranges are to remain closed because of lack of ball cleaning/retrieval ability.
3. If restrooms remain open, cleaning must be increased to all touch points at least 4 times per day.
4. Check in, if required, must be completed outside, with social distancing of at least 6 feet while both golfer and staff are masked, or through a Plexiglas-type shield.
5. Expand tee time intervals to ensure social distancing.

**Persons Allowed on Courses**

1. Outdoor areas of golf clubs are open only by tee time appointment for appropriate outdoor activities, including the playing of golf pursuant to COVID-19 Golf Safe Distances Rules.
2. Persons who are symptomatic with cough, fever, or shortness of breath, or are housed with anyone symptomatic are prohibited from being on site until those symptoms have subsided for at least fourteen (14) days. A negative COVID-19 test result does not overrule the recommended quarantine, due to potential testing false negatives.
3. Any person who is quarantined by order of a medical or governmental official is prohibited from being on site until the quarantine is lifted.
4. Except for persons of the same household, persons who drive their vehicle to the site should do so alone and park, if possible, at least one space apart. At all times, those who are not persons of the same household using the course, including parking areas, shall stay at least ten (10) feet away from all other users.
5. Those golfing must have no more than 4 players in any group. Social distancing MUST be maintained around the green.
6. Only one person per golf cart.
7. Patrons must wait in their cars until their designated tee times. No social gathering while waiting for the round to begin. Patrons must go directly from hole 18 to their car. No social gathering following the round.
8. Any and all contact with golf course staff, including payment processing, will be done telephonically or electronically, with the exception of check in, if required (see facility rules, above). No cash payments.

9. Limited staff may remain on site for basic facility/grounds maintenance, security, and to ensure compliance with these rules. However, staff must remain 6 feet from all patrons, and wear a mask during interactions.

Equipment

1. No rental clubs or balls may be used and all patrons must bring and use their own equipment.

2. If patrons wish to pick up golf clubs or pull carts from the bag/cart storage, arrangements to do so must be made electronically in advance with staff who will remove the equipment and leave it outside in a designated location. The equipment will not be returned to storage until regular play is resumed (the patrons must then take their equipment with them). This equipment must be the patron’s personal equipment.

3. Golf cart rentals should be limited whenever possible, and arranged in advance, electronically or over the phone.
   a. When possible, if the requesting patron does not have a personal cart, a cart number will be assigned to the requesting patron and that cart shall be used only by that patron and the patron’s household during the duration of these rules.
   b. Golf carts must be picked up and dropped off outside by masked staff maintaining 6 feet or more social distance from any patrons.
   c. Golf carts must be cleaned and sanitized between each use, and before staff move them back into storage.
   d. Only one person per golf cart.

4. All rakes, ball washers, and sand bottles must be removed to avoid cross-contamination. If a ball lands in a spot that would otherwise have been raked (e.g. a footprint or divot), the ball can be placed in the nearest undamaged portion of the bunker.

5. The golf cups and flags must be modified to prevent the ball from going into the cup. Flagstick or the base holding the flagstick in place must not be touched or removed. Courses must provide alternative ways to remove balls from holes that do not require human contact, or alternative rules (e.g., putts within two feet are to be conceded to minimize the possibility of contact with the hole and stick.)

6. Except for persons of the same household, players should not touch another player’s ball, equipment, or cell phone, including scorecards and pencils.