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## **Guidelines For Operational Readiness Level 3**

Golf Courses

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## **GUIDELINES FOR OPERATIONAL READINESS LEVEL 3: GOLF COURSES**

Referring to the press release by Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sports on **1<sup>st</sup> July 2020**, on the implementation of level 3 de-escalation plan for gym and fitness centers, indoor sport facilities, outdoor sports facilities and golf courses. It will commence on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2020, 14 Zulkaedah 1441H**, on **Level 3 De-escalation** with updated term and guidelines for golf courses:

- 1. Open to members and non-members.**
- 2. Allowed to 4 person** in one flight.
- 3. Usage of Buggy still maintain to 1 buggy per person at one time**
- 4. Restaurant / Cafeteria** is allowed to operate with **90% capacity at one time following the area capacity** of the Clubhouse restaurant / Cafeteria.
- 5. Other terms and guidelines are maintained** for compliance.

**Further details are outlined in Annex A.**

Overall, every club and facility is required to adapt its procedures to ensure compliance with government restrictions. For Operational Readiness Level 3, the following measures will need to be implemented.

**1. CLUB RESPONSIBILITIES ARE DIVIDED INTO THREE ASPECTS: GENERAL GUIDELINES, BOOKING AND CLUBHOUSE RULES.**

a. General Guidelines.

- (1) Golf Courses are only allowed to **operate**.
- (2) Club house Cafeteria / Restaurant are allowed to operate at **90% capacity at one time following the capacity of the area** of the clubhouse restaurant / cafeteria.
- (3) Temperature checks and hand sanitizers must be provided at the entrance and at appropriate places throughout the Golf Course.
- (4) Registration and proper record must be done at the entrance for the purpose of contact tracing if required. (The Club should register at the *Bruhealth* app website at [www.healthinfo.gov.bn/register](http://www.healthinfo.gov.bn/register) to generate a QR code for players to register)
- (5) Golf Courses are open **to members and non-members** and required to register in advance.
- (6) **Only a flight limited to 4 players** will be allowed to play. Single players will also be permitted and encouraged.
- (7) **One buggy per person** or he/she can walk the course with their own pull trolley.
- (8) **The clubhouse locker room facilities** is open.
- (9) Symptomatic and high risk individuals are not allowed to play
- (10) Maintain physical distancing at least 2 meters at all times.
- (11) Avoid any physical contact.
- (12) Players must bring their own equipment, towels and water bottles.
- (13) Personal hygiene must be observed at all times.

(14) Signage and Posters on precautionary measures on COVID 19 should be displayed.

(15) For more information on COVID-19, members of the public can contact Health Advice Line 148.

b. Booking.

(1) Clubs and facilities to organize a system of booking and allocation of tee times that ensure the safety of staff and players.

(2) The maximum number of players per tee time are to be confirmed by clubs and facilities and must be in accordance with regulations whereby **a flight is limited to 4 players.**

(3) There is a minimum of 10-minute intervals between tee times, but longer intervals may be needed depending on the club or facility.

c. Clubhouse Rules.

(1) The maximum number of clients are to be confirmed by the Clubhouse Cafeteria / Restaurant and must be in accordance with the regulation whereby it is limited to operate at **90% capacity at one time following the capacity of the area** of the clubhouse restaurant / cafeteria.

(2) The use of toilets should sanitize frequently.

(3) Clubs or facilities to have procedures in place to ensure social distancing requirements at starters' building in advance of players teeing off.

(4) Clubs or facilities to communicate in advance with players to advise on social distancing requirements that are being applied on arrival at the club or facility and after finishing the game.

(5) The number of clubhouse assistants will be limited to starters and buggy operators. They will not be permitted to touch or carry players' bags. On arrival at the clubhouse parking lot, players will fetch an assigned buggy, drive it to their cars to pick up their golf bags and standby for tee-off at safe distance from other players.

(6) All clubhouse assistants must wear facemasks and gloves when retrieving the buggies left at the parking lot.

(7) Buggies must be disinfected by the clubhouse. Players are encouraged to bring their own disinfectant for their protection.

(8) No trolleys, carts or other items are to be made available for hire unless safe sanitizing practices can be guaranteed.

## 2. GOLFERS RESPONSIBILITIES.

### a. Registration

- (1) Golfers must scan the QR code of the Golf Club and Facility and club house cafeteria or restaurant upon arrival and leaving, for the purpose contact tracing if require.

### b. Golf Related Matters.

- (1) Golfers to ensure that they keep at least **2 meters** apart during the round (teeing areas, walking to the ball, searching for a ball and playing shots).
- (2) Golfers are not to touch stray balls.
- (3) With no rakes allowed on the course, golfers are to make their best efforts to smooth the sand using their club or their feet.
- (4) Flagsticks should not be touched.
- (5) On the green, pin must remain in place. The hole can be “closed” by lifting the lids above ground. Any ball hitting the lid or pin will be considered holed.
- (6) Ball washers and drinking fountains are not to be used until such time it is allowed.
- (7) Social distancing is important and golfers are to leave the course and club or facility immediately so that there are no gatherings around the clubhouse area until further notice.