

## **INFORMATION IN RELATION TO COVID-19 (Coronavirus) 15.3.20**

Dear Member,

Golf Australia has issued the following communication in relation to the COVID-19 (Coronavirus). As far as we know, no club or clubs in Australia have been directly impacted by the virus.

Let me assure you that our staff at Cumberland are taking the situation seriously and will continue to maintain the highest standards of hygiene, particularly when providing food and beverages to our members and guests. Your health and safety is our number one priority.

What can we do to minimise the risk? Basically, observe coughing and sneezing protocols and wash our hands regularly with soap and warm water. Also, follow any advice given by Government and Health Authorities.

Please read the following communique from Golf Australia.

Regards

**Denis Clifford** 

Club President.



As you are aware, COVID-19 or the Coronavirus as it is more commonly known has created global health concerns regarding the disease and its infection rates.

Golf Australia is writing to provide further assistance and guidance to our clubs and facilities on this important topic.

It is Golf Australia's recommendation to clubs and facilities that advice from the Australian Government's Department of Health should be monitored closely over the coming days and weeks, as well as the Australian Government's Smartraveller website.

## Member, Guest and Staff travel advice

If your members or guests have recently returned from or transited through China, Iran, Italy, Japan, Mongolia or South Korea in the past 14 days, we recommend that they do not visit your facility for any reason – including use of the golf course only – until the 14 day period has elapsed.

We further recommend that members or guests recently returned from or who have transited through Cambodia, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Singapore, Thailand or from a cruise holiday and who are experiencing flu-like symptoms do not visit your facility, including use of the golf course only, for 14 days.

For simple, easy to understand advice for your members and guests including important health tips, you can also refer to the World Health Organisation's advice for the public website.

## Member, Guest and Staff health advice

Golf clubs and facilities are heavily trafficked, and there is a chance that during this episode, a member, guest or member of your staff will be exposed to, or test positive to, COVID-19.

It is vitally important that if a member, guest or staff member tests positive to COVID-19, they must inform the club/facility as soon as possible. If this has occurred, anyone testing positive will be contacted by the State/Territory Department of Health in relation to contact tracing. You should then take advice on ongoing facility operations from your State/Territory Department of Health.

It should be noted that the vast majority of golfers can and should continue to visit your clubs and facilities as per normal. However, it is important that our clubs and facilities continue to be aware of government advice on this topic.

The virus and potential implications are changing constantly and will be monitored accordingly, and Golf Australia will continue to provide updates to clubs and facilities as regularly as required, or alternatively when additional Federal Government updates are announced.

For further information from the Federal Government on COVID-19, the Coronavirus Health Information Line operates 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 1800 020 080.

If you require additional information or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Golf Australia on (03) 9626 5000 or clubsupport@golf.org.au.

Kind regards, Golf Australia





