



Following the Prime Minister's update on Monday, 22nd February 2021 outlining the Government's roadmap out of the National Lockdown the club will re-open for play on Monday, 29th March 2021.

The Board have adopted the Play Safe Stay Safe Guidance provided by England Golf. This can be found on the club's website at the following link <https://www.shgc.co.uk/news/covid-19/> or England Golf website <https://www.englandgolf.org/playsafe/>

In addition to this guidance document and infographic, which we ask you to read, there are a few items which we must draw your attention to for your safety:

Coming to the Club and Playing Golf:

1. You may only come to the club if you are playing golf or have an appointment with the club professional team or office or Board Director.
2. All play is by a pre-booked tee reservation via the ClubV1 members app – you may not just turn up and play. Maximum of 4 ball play.
3. Tee times will be 7.30am to 6.30pm weekdays and 7am to 6.30pm weekends [including Bank Holidays]. The evening times will be extended as daylight extends and revised on the 1st & 15th of each month.
4. Tee reservations will now be released 5 days ahead at 12noon via the app, members will be able to call the club from 12.30pm to make a telephone reservation for the day that is released. From 1st May 2021 the tee reservation sheet will open at 7pm, 5 days ahead. As a members club all members are encouraged to allow other members to join their groups especially at the busier times prior to 12noon each day.
5. No changes to be made within 24 hours of your booking unless you are withdrawing altogether, and if you are withdrawing, out of courtesy please notify the other players in your group.

6. Please arrive no more than 30 minutes prior to your tee time and ready to play, this maintains social distancing requirements and gives you time to practice. The coffee machine in the spike bar will be available for use; please wait outside for your turn if being used.
7. The 'Rule of 6' applies to all outdoor settings – therefore please note that a maximum of 6 players may use the practice area or putting green at any one time.
8. Once the group ahead has played from the 1st tee please move down and prepare to play.
9. The pro shop will be open as a golf reception and for a click & collect service at the door; please do not enter unless requested to do so.
10. To minimise contact all course furniture is not to be used; flagsticks to remain in the hole; no rakes in use [preferred lies in bunkers permitted]; no ball washers in use; scorecards not to be exchanged.

Guest and Visitor Green Fees:

1. Guest will be restricted over the initial period of re-opening and the Board will update the membership as these restrictions are reviewed.

Terrace Area:

1. The tables and chairs are not in use – please do not congregate before or after golf.

Clubhouse – Toilets & Locker Rooms:

1. The clubhouse will remain closed except that the ground floor toilets will be available [both toilet areas are accessible via the lounge patio doors - men exit via the main door and ladies exit via the spike bar]. Please observe the directional arrows where provided. All entry and exit doors that are in use will be open. The wearing of a face covering is mandatory inside.
2. Use of locker rooms will be permitted on your first visit to collect your clubs but you must take them home following play. If using the door entry system to get through a locked door you will need to have your member card with you as the pin entry access has been disabled.

Trolley Shed:

1. All trolleys must be collected and taken home.

Competition Entry:

1. After the Easter Competition, which is to be played in 4 balls, all weekend competitions will revert to 3 ball play up to 1pm unless the competition format states otherwise.

2. Competition charging will be at the time of sign-in on the day via the ClubV1 app, howdidido or PSI terminal.
3. Members who do not possess a handicap index are encouraged to submit the required minimum of 54 holes when the club re-opens to support the club's long establish competitions.
4. Competition scores are to be submitted via the ClubV1 app, howdidido or PSI terminal in the spike bar and once submitted the card must be placed in to the competition box for score verification. If you do not submit your card your score will be disqualified from the competition but submitted for handicap purposes. Competition rules are displayed on the club website at the following link <https://www.shgc.co.uk>

General Play:

1. Members must confirm prior to play via the PSI that they wish to submit a General Play Score. The measured course [either white or yellow] will be advised each day for submission of cards. The new World Handicapping System [WHS] calculates your handicap index more accurately the more scores you submit. Like competition cards these need to be submitted via the PSI in the spike bar and the card submitted in to the competition box.

World Handicapping System [WHS]:

1. Please refer to the club's website <https://www.shgc.co.uk/news/world-handicapping-scheme-2020/> for information on WHS or <https://www.englandgolf.org/handicapping/> Should you have any questions in regards to your handicap index these should be directed to the Handicap Committee.

Government Roadmap out of Lockdown – earliest dates:

1. The Government have laid out the roadmap and at each stage have set an earliest by date at 5 week intervals, these are [in brief]:
 - 8th March – schools to re-open, followed by outdoor sport on 29th March 2021, takeaway F&B, outdoor practice and outdoor coaching.
 - 12th April – outside F&B [rule of 6], professional shop & indoor coaching [1-to-1], locker rooms may open.
 - 17th May – inside and outside F&B [rule of 6], indoor coaching [rule of 6].
 - 22nd June – relaxation of social distancing measures; review of course furniture & exchanging scorecards.