



## **GolfRSA Safe Play Guidelines**

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Following the announcement by the SA Government on 4 April 2022 and the publication of amendments to the Disaster Management Act (Act 57 of 2002) (Gazette No 46195), many COVID-19-related risk mitigation requirements have been relaxed by the South African government.

As the country awaits the new Regulations for inclusion in the National Health Act, GolfRSA draws the attention of Golf Clubs/Facilities and Golfers to the following:

- 1) Non-pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI's) remain the most effective way in which to mitigate the virus and requests all stakeholders in golf to follow regular sanitization, physical distancing and the wearing of masks in accordance with SA Government Regulations.
- 2) Code of Practice: Managing Exposure to SARS-COV-2 in the Workplace, 2022 (Gazette No 46063)  
Golf Clubs and facilities are required, for the purposes of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 in the workplace to which this Code of Practice applies, to ensure they create safe environments for their employees and persons who may be directly affected by their activities (such as customers, clients or contractors who enter their workplace or come into contact with their employees), by fulfilling the requirements of this Code of Practice and in particular the requirement to complete a **Risk Assessment and Plan**.

The GolfRSA Risk Mitigation Guidelines (dated 19 October 2021) may be used as reference document only for golf clubs and facilities in preparing their Risk Assessment and Plan

- 3) Masks are no longer required to be worn outdoors provided one can maintain physical distancing of 1m.

Masks are required to be worn indoors.

- 4) Capacity Utilisation: Golf Clubs and Facilities are advised to ensure they follow SA Government Regulations and take measures to avoid congregation (eg. at registration areas).

An updated pro forma Tournament Risk Mitigation Plan (TRMP) GolfRSA and Union Tournament Organising Committees will be circulated separately.

GolfRSA will continue to provide guidance and support to clubs and facilities as and when required. Please monitor the GolfRSA social media channels and website for further COVID-19 updates.

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