



### COVID-19 Level 3 Golf Guidelines at Sherwood Park Golf Club

The Golf Course will re-open at 8 am on Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020 under the following guidelines for COVID-19 Level 3, as per Government and NZ Golf's instructions.

- The course will be open to **Members Only** during COVID-19 Level 3 – golfers only, no guests or bubble mates who are out for a walk.
- You **must book in advance** of arriving at the club, using the [DotGolf online booking system](#) or the DotGolf App. If you are unable to book online, send an email to [sherwood@golf.co.nz](mailto:sherwood@golf.co.nz) the day before you plan to play, indicating a time preference. You will receive an email confirming your booking. This email address is not being checked regularly, so do not expect an immediate response. Use the online booking system if at all possible. A tutorial will be included in this week's newsletter.
- Please arrive ready to play and leave the area immediately after play. There should be no congregating around the first tee, golf shop or clubhouse areas.
- There will be an interval of 10 minutes between all groups. Play may begin from Tee No 1 only. The tee will open at 8 am to allow the greenkeepers time on the greens before play begins. Please be considerate of your fellow members who are working during this time and try to leave the weekends free for them. There are only a limited number of available slots per day. The booking system is now open for tee times Thursday to Wednesday.
- Play is only possible for those playing alone or playing with others **from within their bubble.** Do not arrange to meet anyone else to play. If you catch up with the group in front, you may not join that group. Please wait while they move on. Maximum of 3 players per group. If there are 4 players in your bubble, book two tee times and play in twos. A live tee booking screen will be available in the golf shop window (on the furthest wall around by the practice putting green).
- Upon arrival at the club, you **must Check In online**, using the DotGolf App on your smartphone. (See below.) Upon completion of the check-in process, the DotGolf App will indicate a "Checked In" status which can be displayed if requested throughout your visit at the golf club. Checking in using the app indicates that you understand and accept the conditions as set out in this document, as well as the [Golf Club and Facility Guidance \(COVID-19\)](#) located on the club's website. To comply with requirements within the public health guidelines, contact tracing will be required for the foreseeable future. The information collated within the DotGolf App will be collected and made available under the Terms and Conditions associated with a golfer when checking in. This information could prove vital for contact tracing if requested by Ministry of Health. The check-in data will be used in conjunction with the online booking detail, which is why both processes are important.

- Players must maintain a minimum distance of at least two metres between themselves and other players on course who are not in their bubble. Do not join another group on the course. Do not approach staff working on the course at any time.
- Equipment cannot be shared. If privately owned golf carts are to be used, they can only be used by people inside the same bubble. Golf carts stored at the club may not be used unless they have been taken off-site for storage. Carts and trundlers should be completely cleaned and sterilised after each use.
- Please ensure that you have sufficient water and personal hand sanitizer or wipes with you. All drinking fountains, ball washers and on-course toilet will be closed. On days when Colin is on the premises, bottled water may be available outside the shop using an honesty box for payment. No change will be available.
- Driving range as well as golf club and cart storage areas are closed and off limits. You may come to the club on Tuesday or Wednesday, 9 am – 12 pm to retrieve your equipment. If you are unable to come to the club on either of those days, please email Colin at [golfshop@sherwoodparkgolf.co.nz](mailto:golfshop@sherwoodparkgolf.co.nz) to arrange a suitable time to retrieve your equipment.
- The clubhouse, pro shop, changing rooms, toilets and any other facility at the golf course will be closed (only available to be accessed and used by essential staff on site). Staff may be working in these areas doing other duties for the club. They will not be performing any service duties during Alert Level 3.
- Scorecards cannot be physically issued prior to play nor returned after play. No scores will be accepted by the NZG handicapping system at Alert Level 3.
- At-risk players (such as those over 70) may need to take extra measures to protect themselves. Refer to the Ministry of Health for guidelines.
- Players must adhere to regional travel restrictions and can only travel within their region and across a regional boundary if it is in their local area.

Let's work together to ensure that we get this right by following the rules and keeping the course open as we progress through Level 3. If we find that these guidelines are not working, we may have to review our decision to open for golf.

Please refer to the Newsletter and our [website](#), which is being updated regularly with additional information as it is supplied. [Sport NZ](#) have also provided details about keeping safe while playing sport during Levels 3 and 4.

The Board would like to thank the Members for your continued support and cooperation with the above guidelines as we progress through the Alert Levels.

Marie Walker  
Club President



## DotGolf App

You **MUST** have the DotGolf app on your smartphone if you want to golf during Level 3 at Sherwood Park Golf Club. Do not confuse this app with the NZ Golf (DotGolf) website. You can use the NZ Golf website to make your bookings, but you **cannot use the website to Check-In**. You can use the app to do both. Before leaving home for your round of golf, you should upload the app to your phone, if you have not already done so, by following these instructions. The app has provision to check in multiple players, so if your playing partner does not have a phone, you can check them in on yours when you arrive at the club.

If you're using an iPhone, open the Apple App Store (or Play Store on your Android device). Search for **DotGolf**. Your search results should return the app shown to the right (Fig 1). Load the app on your smartphone. The onscreen icon is shown above.



Fig 1

When you open the app for the first time, you will see a login screen (Fig 2). Enter your ClubID number and password (if you have a password for the NZ Golf website, use it here). After signing in you may see the check-in screen immediately (Fig 3). However, if it doesn't appear, tap the Booking option at the bottom of the screen (Fig 4). This should bring another Menu to your screen with the Check-In option (Fig 5). The Check-In screen may populate some of your details, but ensure everything is complete and indicate whether you are at the club for golf or not. Upon completing this screen, you will receive a response that includes confirmation that you have successfully checked in.



Fig 2



Fig 3



Fig 4



Fig 5



Fig 6