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Dear Unions, Clubs and Golfers,

**GOLFRSA COVID-19 RISK MITIGATION GUIDELINES AND GOOD GOLF PRACTICE GUIDELINES:
UPDATED OCTOBER 2021**

GolfRSA has completed a full risk assessment, with inputs from health experts, of its current COVID-19 risk mitigation and protocols.

Based on this the GolfRSA Risk Mitigation Guidelines, GolfRSA Good Golf Practice Guidelines and supporting Toolkits have been updated (dd 19 October 2021) and in line with SA Government Regulations/Directions contain new risk mitigation protocols for:

- a) Tee time intervals
- b) Bunker rakes
- c) Golf cart sharing
- d) Nearest to the Pin, Longest Drive and similar boards
- e) Spectators (subject to SA Government Regulations/Directions)

GolfRSA wishes to acknowledge the enormous effort made by golfers, clubs and administrations to manage their own risks. Non Pharmaceutical Interventions (NPI's) namely, wearing of masks, regular sanitizing and social distancing remain the most effective means of managing the risk of the virus.

We have complete confidence that, should we all continue to adhere to the GolfRSA guidelines, we can ensure that golf facilities remain open as safe spaces, with no risk of becoming super-spreader venues.

We strongly urge all golf facilities to continue to enforce strict compliance with the updated GolfRSA Risk Mitigation Guidelines and Good Golf Practice Guidelines and directives. We also urge all golfers/staff to respect and adhere to these necessary and critical directives to ensure a safe environment.

We are aware that every club is unique and advise that every club reviews its own Risk Mitigation Plan in light of the updated protocols.

The updated documents are available for download on the GolfRSA website under the COVID-19 Hub:
www.golfrsa.com

Kind regards,



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