



GolfAustralia

COVID-19 Restriction FAQ'S as of 28 September 2021  
REGIONAL VICTORIA  
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Note, these FAQ's will be updated regularly, in particular; following government announcements, upon the release of new directives or when further information or clarification on a matter is received. Golf Australia recommends that clubs and facilities check this document regularly.

There are references in these FAQ's to the following documents & resources:

[The Government Roadmap – Regional Restricted Activity Directions \(Regional Victoria\)](#)  
[Stay Safe Directions \(Regional Victoria\)](#)  
[Creating a COVIDSafe Plan](#)  
[Authorised Worker List](#)

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Q. When has the latest change in restrictions taken place?

A. These FAQ's are based on changes set to occur at 11.59pm Tuesday 28 September 2021

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Q Is competition golf permitted?

A No, according to the government roadmap an indicative date of 5 November (Phase C) has been stated when competition golf will be permitted. See link to [The Government Roadmap – Regional](#).

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Q Is there a cap on the number of golfers permitted on the course?

A No, caps do not apply if 50 metres distance can be maintained between groups.

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Q Can golf be played in 4's?

A Currently, play can be in groups of 4.

Note, the government roadmap will restrict non-vaccinated golfers from playing when the roadmap target is reached. See link to [The Government Roadmap – Regional](#).

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Q Are carts allowed to be shared?

A Yes, however they must be cleaned after every use.

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Q Are flags allowed to be removed & rakes permitted in bunkers?

A Yes, however the club [COVIDSafe](#) plan must provide for regular cleaning.

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Q Are hire clubs & pull trolleys permitted?

A Yes, however the club [COVIDSafe](#) plan must provide for regular cleaning.

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Q Are spectators permitted?

A No, except for one parent permitted to supervise children.

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Q Are driving ranges & practice facilities allowed to operate?

A Yes, however social distancing between those practising applies. Outdoor coaching is permitted for up to 10 people including the coach in a group.

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Q Are face coverings (Masks) required when playing golf?

A Yes, required to be worn both indoors and outdoors and this includes whilst playing golf (unless a medical exemption applies).

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Q Is there a restriction on intrastate travel throughout Victoria?

A Travel is permitted across the regional area, however restrictions apply particularly into metropolitan Melbourne. See [The Government Roadmap – Regional](#) for further details.

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Q Who is required to check in?

A Everyone that attends the club is required to check in using the QR service, this includes all members, visitors, contractors and staff. In cases where staff, members or visitors don't have the technology to use the QR check in service clubs and facilities should use tablets or mobile phones to assist.

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Q Are clubhouses permitted to open?

A Yes, with the following conditions

- Seated service only
  - 1 person per 4 square metres, to a maximum of 30 people outdoors and 10 people indoors (total of 40)
  - Masks are mandatory at all times
  - All staff and patrons must check in using the QR code service
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Q Are Golf Shops permitted to open?

A Yes, with the following conditions

- 1 person per 4 square metres maximum
  - Masks are mandatory at all times
  - All staff and patrons must check in using the QR code service
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Q Do our staff have to be vaccinated?

A The Victorian Government has advised that all authorised workers will be required to have had at least one dose of COVID-19 vaccine in order to continue working onsite by October 15. They will then be required to have their second dose of COVID-19 vaccine by November 26.

Typically, all staff at golf clubs and facilities are authorised workers. The list is available [here](#).

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