

ALVOR BOWLS CLUB COVID-19 GUIDANCE FOR CROWN GREEN BOWLERS

Alvor Bowls Club has drawn up the following guidance to try to ensure the minimization of disease transmission taking into account the health situation related to the SARS-Cov-2 coronavirus outbreak (COVID-19) in Portugal and the rest of the world. The guidance is based on the guidelines issued by the Direção Geral da Saúde in Portugal and by the British Crown Green Bowling Association.

CLUB FACILITIES

- The hand sanitiser available on site and personal facemasks must be used upon entry to and exit from the Club although the wearing of masks during play is not compulsory
- The toilet facilities cannot be used as changing rooms and only one person is allowed inside at any time
- The bar and food service will always be delivered onto the terrace and 2 metre social distancing must be observed for both service and queuing
- Customers should only occupy tables at the direction of the Club employees
- Customers are not allowed to change the position of tables and chairs
- Customers are not allowed to enter the bar area or kitchen at any time
- Payments should preferably be made by card

BOWLING MATCHES

- Common sense applies - players take responsibility for their own actions and check themselves for symptoms of Covid-19
- Social distancing at 2 metres or 1 metre plus mitigation (requiring additional measures such as face coverings to allow 1 metre and/or ensuring good hygiene and cleaning is maintained at all times)
- Players should maintain social distancing at all times on the green and keep up to 4 metres between groups to allow for social distancing between groups
- Players shall have regard to other games on the green when bowling out the jack

- Jacks and mats are to be disinfected after each game is completed
- If someone outside your game touches the jack it should be cleaned prior to continuing with the game
- Measuring an end should be done by the players and any shared measuring equipment should be cleaned after each use
- Use alternatives to shaking of hands (elbows, thumbs up etc)
- Players to follow strong hygiene practices at every opportunity - wash hands frequently and use hand sanitiser regularly and prior to the start of every game
- No sweat or saliva is to be applied to the bowl or jack at any time
- Personal contact with solid surfaces should be minimised
- When your game has finished leave the green with regard to other bowlers to maintain social distancing
- Undue raising of voices should be avoided to minimise any airborne transmission of virus
- Social gathering during and after bowling is allowed provided that social distancing is maintained
- Spectators (including bowlers not playing at the time) should remain socially distanced at all times and refrain from contact with the jack or bowl
- In the event of adverse weather bowlers and spectators should maintain social distancing whilst taking cover
- A schedule of attendance will be maintained including contact telephone numbers and email addresses

Alvor Bowls Club
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