

## **PROTOCOLS FOR THE OPENING AND OPERATION OF THE GROTON COUNTRY CLUB**

Please note that these Protocols are being established in the event we can safely open all operations at the Groton Country Club. Given the situation, we may only be able to open Golf, but not pool or camps. In any event, these Protocols are being established in the event the Club, or any aspect of the Club, can be opened. In addition, please note that these Protocols are subject to change by the Town Manager or Select Board when circumstances warrant such a change.

### **Golf Operation**

- Security personnel can be delineated by each club (ex. a pro and the head starter) and will be present to enforce social distancing. There can be no other employees working at the recreational component of the golf operation.
- All staff must wear face coverings while on the property.
- Club facilities including but not limited to the club house, pro shop, restaurant, bag room and locker room must remain closed.
- No caddies allowed.
- No golf carts allowed unless a player cannot walk the course. Documentation from a doctor on their letterhead stating that a player requires a golf cart to play golf. Handicap placards will also serve as proper documentation.
- Push carts may be used. Players must either carry their own bag or use a push cart.
- All golfers must maintain proper social distancing of at least 6 feet at all times.
- Groups of players are restricted to no more than 4 players at one time.
- Maintenance personnel are permitted to work on the golf course.
- Tee Time Policy must be 15 minutes between groups.
- Golfers must stay in their car until 15 minutes before their tee time and must return to their car immediately following play.
- Online and remote payment options must be utilized.
- All golfers must use their own golf clubs. Sharing golf clubs or rental golf clubs is not allowed.
- Flag sticks must remain in the hole. Hole liners must be raised so picking a ball out of the hole doesn't occur.
- Bunker rakes must be removed, and ball washers must be removed or covered.
- Practice putting green, driving range, and chipping areas must be closed.
- Facilities must have readily accessible hand sanitizer.

### **Pool Operation**

- Group swim lessons not available until social distancing guidelines are changed.
- Swim team not available during phase one.
- Pool Memberships will not be available as access to the pool cannot be guaranteed.
- Pool deck area will be broken up into sections. Each section will be roughly 10'x10' fitting 3 pool lounge chairs and 1 family (4-6 people).
- Three lifeguards would be required to staff the pool. One additional lifeguard would be required for check in/reservations.
- Pool passes will be sold first come, first serve with call ahead reservations available at 9am each day.
- Pool passes/access will be limited to Groton Residents only.
- Pool passes will cost \$10 per person but no more than \$30 per family (immediate family members only) and be limited to a 2-hour 45-minute stay.
- Seniors/at risk persons will have special access 8am-8:45am for \$3.
- Reservations will be 10am-12:45pm, 1pm-3:45pm, 4pm-6:45pm. Reservations will be 10am-12:45pm, 2pm-4:45pm, 5pm-7:45pm. (When Summer Camp is in session)
- Attendees temperatures are scanned prior to admittance to the pool area. Also, verbally complete our COVID-19 screening.

## Summer Camp Operation

- Summer Camp Staff cannot achieve social distancing with the children as they at times require assistance with any number of issues.
- If social distance is not mandatory for the summer camp staff then the following would be considered:
  1. We roughly have a 10-1 ratio with campers/counselors. I would change it to a 4-1 ratio.
  2. Campers would have access to the pool from 9am-9:45am and again at 1pm-1:45pm.
  3. Campers would have golf instruction provided 10am-12pm and 2pm-4pm.
  4. Lunch would be provided at 12pm-1pm in the function hall.
  5. Camp equipment will be disinfected before any camper handles it.
  6. Attendees temperatures are scanned prior to admittance to the camp area. Also, verbally complete our COVID-19 screening.
  7. Locker Rooms Cleaned and disinfected every hour.
  8. Staff - The cleaner/disinfector would cover golf/pool/camp/locker rooms.

## OTHER POOL NOTES:

### LIFE GUARDS:

- \* All guards wear hip packs with mask and gloves (we already do that) and disinfect at the end of each day.
- \* All guards wear cloth masks at all times except in the water performing a rescue.
- \* Guards remain 6 feet apart during rotations.
- \* Guards use same Rescue tube (one per guard) all day - disinfect before leaving.
- \* Guard chairs disinfected between rotations (by incoming guard).
- \* Barriers between Lifeguards and Patrons.
- \* All equipment disinfected each night.
- \* Distance markers for patrons on deck (at the diving board, snack bar etc).
- \* Disinfectant spray and hand sanitizer at each LG chair.
- \* Guards cannot all congregate in the break room at the same time. Up to three to keep social distance is OK.

### PATRONS:

- \* Patron chairs can be set up in pairs in two rows; one on the deck and one against the fence with each pair 6 feet from the next. Chairs may not be moved by patrons.
- \* Furniture disinfected every night
- \* Limit # of people in lap lanes swimming (it's three now which is fine), and when necessary in areas of the pool.
- \* Patrons over 2 years old wear masks except when going under water (including adults that stand in the water; should not be worn while lap swimming)
- \* Temperature screening prior to entry
- \* No admittance to anyone that has had any of the following in past 72 hours:

- Fever
- Cough
- Shortness of Breath
- Chills
- Muscle aches
- Sore throat
- Loss of taste or smell
- Been in contact with a person having known Covid-19, or having symptoms above
- Distance markers for people waiting in line to get screened.